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Committee to Act With National Council in Analysing Needs for New Equipment, etc., Formerly Known as Advance Work

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Commission on General Theological Seminary to Sit During the Interim of Meetings of the General Convention

The Standing Committee on General Theological Seminary of the House of Deputies, with that of the House of Bishops.

Commission to Consider Canon for Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with a View to Clarifying and Simplifying the Same

The Bishop of North Carolina, the Rev. Wm. D. Maxon, D.D., of Michigan, Mr. Henry D. Harlan of Maryland, Mr. Geo. W. Wickersham of New York, Mr. O. S. Seymour of Long Island.

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Joint Committee to Consider in Advance the Program and Budget to Be Reported by the National Council to the General Convention of 1931

The Bishop of Central New York, Convener, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio.

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COURT OF TRIAL OF A BISHOP

The Bishop of Georgia, President.

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To serve till 1934: the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Upper South Carolina, the Bishop of Central New York.

To serve till 1937: the Bishop of Montana, the Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishop of Newark.

COURT OF REVIEW OF THE TRIAL OF A BISHOP

The Bishop of Ohio, President.

To serve till 1931: the Bishop of Milwaukee, the Bishop of Rhode Island, the Bishop of California.

To serve till 1934: the Bishop of Louisiana, the Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York.

To serve till 1937: the Bishop of Ohio, the Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Western Massachusetts.
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Henry Judah Mikell, D.D., Bishop of Atlanta. *Atlanta, Georgia.*


Ernest Vincent Shayler, D.D., Bishop of Nebraska. *Omaha, Nebraska.*


James Craik Morris, D.D., Missionary Bishop of the Panama Canal Zone. *Ancon, Canal Zone.*


Granville Gaylord Bennett, D.D., Bishop of Duluth. *Duluth, Minnesota.*
Kirkman George Finlay, D.D., Bishop of Upper South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina.

†Deceased during the Session.
Shirley Hall Nichols, D.D., Bishop of Kyoto. *Kyoto, Japan.*

[Total number, 146, including 10 Foreign Missionary Bishops, 15 resigned
Bishops, 13 Suffragan Bishops.
Majority of the House, 74.
Majority of 132 Bishops entitled to vote, 67.
Constitutional quorum, 55.]

Note.—Bishop A. R. Graves, Bishop Wells, Bishop J. D. Morrison,
Bishop L. L. Kinsolving, the Bishop of Iowa, Bishop Restarick, Bishop
Aves, Bishop Paddock, Bishop Thurston, the Bishop of Arkansas, the
Bishop of Anking, Bishop Du Moulin, the Bishop of Montana, Bishop
Jones, the Suffragan Bishop of New York [Bishop Shipman], and the
Suffragan Bishop of Hankow were not present at the Convention.
This being the day and place appointed under its Constitution by the last Convention for the meeting of the General Convention of 1928, the Holy Communion was celebrated in the Church of the Epiphany at half past seven o'clock by the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop of Maryland; the Bishop of Ohio reading the Epistle and the Bishop of Southern Ohio reading the Gospel. Several of the Bishops together with the Rector of the parish and his Assistant took part in the administration of the Sacrament. The offering received was for the Missionary work of the Church.

At ten thirty o'clock the Bishops attended Divine Service with the Clerical and Lay Deputies in the open air amphitheatre in the Cathedral Close of St. Peter and St. Paul, Mount Saint Alban.

After Morning Prayer the President of the United States delivered an address of greeting, following which the sermon was preached by the Bishop of Chicago. An offering was received for the Missionary work of the Church.

The House of Bishops met for business in a Hall of the Willard Hotel at three o'clock. The Presiding Bishop took the Chair. The Bishops not previously presented were presented to the House, to wit:

The Presiding Bishop communicated to the House the Official Roll and its members as prepared by the Secretary. The Roll was called and it was found that one hundred and fifteen Bishops, being more than a quorum were present, to wit:

The Bishop of Southern Ohio
Bishop of Louisiana
Bishop of North Tokyo
Bishop of Shanghai
Bishop Lawrence
Bishop of North Carolina
Bishop of Vermont
Bishop of Alaska
Bishop of Lexington
Bishop of Connecticut
Bishop of Western North Carolina
Bishop of Sacramento
Bishop of Indianapolis
Bishop of West Virginia
Bishop of West Missouri
Bishop of Chicago
Bishop of Fond du Lac
Bishop of South Florida
Bishop of Western New York
Suffragan Bishop of Chicago
Bishop of Mississippi
Bishop of Quincy
Bishop of Hankow
Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey
Bishop of Kentucky
Bishop of Harrisburg
Bishop of Missouri
Bishop of Western Michigan
Bishop of Milwaukee
Bishop of Southern Virginia
Bishop of Georgia
Bishop of Maine
Bishop of Maryland
Suffragan Bishop of New York (Bishop Lloyd)
Bishop of Western Nebraska
Bishop of Rhode Island
Bishop Atwood
Bishop of San Joaquin
Bishop of Western Massachusetts
Bishop Rhinelander
Bishop of Pennsylvania
Bishop of Virginia
Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa
Bishop of Minnesota
Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio
Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts
Bishop of Porto Rico
Bishop of North Dakota
Bishop of New Mexico
Bishop of West Texas
Bishop of Oregon
Bishop of East Carolina
Bishop of Cuba
Bishop of New Jersey
Bishop of Michigan
Bishop of Central New York
Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut
Bishop of Kansas
Bishop of South Dakota
Bishop of Colorado
Bishop Tourret
Suffragan Bishop of Arkansas (Bishop Saphore)
Bishop of Dallas
Bishop of Atlanta
Bishop of Marquette
Suffragan Bishop of Arkansas (Bishop Demby)
Bishop Coadjutor of Texas
Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi
Bishop of Nebraska
Bishop of California
Bishop of Panama Canal Zone
Bishop of Philippine Islands
Bishop of Southwestern Virginia
Bishop of Utah
Bishop of Easton
Bishop of Los Angeles
Bishop of Delaware
Bishop Coadjutor of Montana
Bishop of Duluth
Bishop of Salina
Bishop of Upper South Carolina
Bishop of New York
Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado
Suffragan Bishop of Liberia
Bishop of Erie
Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina
Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee
The Presiding Bishop announced the death, since the last Special Meeting of the House on June 1, 1927, of the following named Bishops, to wit:

- The Right Reverend William Cabell Brown, D.D., Bishop of Virginia, died 25 July, 1927;
- The Right Reverend Edwin Stevens Lines, D.D., Bishop of Newark, died 25 October, 1927;
- The Right Reverend Ethelbert Talbot, D.D., Bishop of Bethlehem, and formerly Presiding Bishop, died 27 January, 1928;
- The Right Reverend Henry Beard Delany, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of North Carolina, died 14 April, 1928;
- The Right Reverend Charles Minnegerode Beckwith, D.D., Bishop of Alabama, died 18 April, 1928;
- The Right Reverend Joseph Horsfall Johnson, D.D., Bishop of Los Angeles, died 16 May, 1928;
- The Right Reverend William Alexander Guerry, D.D., Bishop of South Carolina, died 9 June, 1928.

And he thereupon bade the House to prayer, using the form prescribed in the Rules of Order.

The House proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

The Bishop of Minnesota nominated the Rev. Charles L. Pardee, D.D. There being no other nomination, this nomination was confirmed.


On motion the House of Deputies was informed that this House was organized and ready to proceed to business.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 1.]
On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky Rules 7a and 7b of the Rules of Order covering the election of Chairman and Assessor were suspended.

The Presiding Bishop announced his appointment of Standing Committees of the House as follows:

1. On Despatch of Business.—The Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Western Massachusetts, the Bishop of Newark.

2. On Rules of Order.—The Chairman (ex-officio), the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of Western Nebraska, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of Cuba, the Bishop of Dallas.

3. On Nominations of Missionary Bishops.—The Bishop of Western North Carolina, Bishop Atwood, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of Marquette, the Bishop of Honolulu, the Bishop of Liberia, the Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland.

4. On Amendments to the Constitution.—The Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishop of Ohio, Bishop Lawrence, the Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Chicago.

5. On Canons.—The Bishop of Tennessee, the Bishop of North Carolina, the Bishop of Vermont, the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of Rhode Island, the Bishop of West Texas, the Bishop of Kansas, the Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop of New Hampshire.

6. On Memorials and Petitions.—The Bishop of Lexington, the Bishop of South Florida, the Bishop of Missouri, the Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts, the Bishop of Porto Rico, the Bishop of Alabama, the Bishop of Haiti.

7. On Domestic Missions.—The Bishop of Alaska, the Bishop of Mississippi, the Bishop of Oregon, the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of Idaho, the Suffragan Bishop of Arkansas (Bishop Saphore), the Bishop of Oklahoma.

8. On Foreign Missions.—The Bishop of North Tokyo, the Bishop of Shanghai, the Bishop of Indianapolis, the Bishop of Hankow, the Suffragan Bishop of New York (Bishop Lloyd), the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of Washington.

9. On Rural Work.—The Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut, the Bishop of Easton, the Suffragan Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop Coadjutor of Vermont, the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio, the Bishop of Olympia, the Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida.

10. On Prayer Book.—The Bishop of Louisiana, the Bishop of Harrisburg, the Bishop of Atlanta, the Bishop of California, the Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina, the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia.

11. On Christian Education.—The Bishop of Fond du Lac, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey, Bishop N. S. Thomas, the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa, the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York, the Bishop Coadjutor of Albany.

12. On Social Service.—The Bishop of Milwaukee, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, the Bishop Coadjutor of Texas, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Bethlehem, the Bishop of Long Island.
13. On Consecration of Bishops.—The Bishop of Sacramento, the Bishop of New Mexico, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, the Suffragan Bishop of Arkansas (Bishop Demby), the Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee.

14. On New Dioceses.—The Bishop of Quincy, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Duluth, the Suffragan Bishop of Liberia, the Suffragan Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of Florida, the Bishop of Mexico.

15. On Conduct of Religious Services.—The Suffragan Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of San Joaquin, the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Southwestern Virginia, the Bishop of Utah, the Bishop of Springfield, the Bishop of Arizona.

16. On General Theological Seminary.—The Bishop of West Missouri, the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Panama Canal Zone, the Bishop of Philippine Islands, the Bishop of Salina, the Bishop of Erie, the Bishop of Northern Indiana.

17. On Unfinished Business.—The Bishop of North Dakota, the Bishop of East Carolina, the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi, the Bishop of Nebraska, the Bishop of Los Angeles, the Bishop Coadjutor of Montana, and the Bishop of Upper South Carolina.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia Rule III. of the Rules of Order was temporarily suspended.

The Presiding Bishop then presented, by title, the following Memorials and Petitions:

A Memorial from the Convocation of the American Churches in Europe requesting Episcopal Supervision of the American Churches in Europe, which was referred to the Committee on the American Churches in Europe.

A communication relative to Chaplains on Transatlantic Liners, which was referred to the Army and Navy Commission.

A Message of Greetings from the Canadian Church, which was referred to a Special Committee—the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of Alaska.

A Petition from the Diocese of Nevada relative to Episcopal Supervision which was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

A Petition from the Missionary District of Tohoku relative to Episcopal Supervision, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

A letter from the Bishop of Albany resigning as Bishop of that Diocese;

A letter from the Bishop of Connecticut resigning as Bishop of that Diocese;

A letter from the Bishop of the Missionary District of Southern Brazil resigning as Bishop of that District;

A letter from the Bishop of Lexington resigning as Bishop of that Diocese.

All of these resignations were referred to the Committee on Resignations of Bishops.

Report on his Contingent Fund, which was referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Bishop Lawrence and the Bishop of Central New York, with instructions to report back to the House.
Various Petitions and Memorials, which were referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

A Memorial relative to a proposed second Conference on Faith and Order of the Church, which was referred to the Commission on Faith and Order.

A Report of the Evaluation Committee which was referred to a Special Committee, consisting of the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of Central New York, and the Bishop of Alabama.

A communication from the Committee on Ecclesiastical Relations relative to a Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A recommendation relative to persons confirmed in other Churches, which was referred to a Special Committee, consisting of the Bishop of Atlanta, the Bishop of Mississippi, and the Bishop of New Hampshire.

A communication from the National Council relative to retiring allowances, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago the Rules of Order were suspended.

The Presiding Bishop presented the Report of the Official Acts of the Right Reverend Ethelbert Talbot, D.D., from October 6th, 1925 to January 1st, 1926, and read the Report of his own official acts from that date, as follows:


October 6, 1925—January 1, 1926

October 12, 1925. In St. Paul's Church, New Orleans, La., pronounced sentence of deposition upon Bishop William Montgomery Brown, as determined by the Court of Review, and approved by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops, canonically assembled in the said House.

October 15. By the acceptance of the resignation of the Rt. Rev. Walter H. Overs by the House of Bishops, the Missionary District of Liberia becomes vacant and I become Acting Bishop thereof.


November 12. Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Rev. Robert Erskine Campbell, O.H.C., Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Liberia, as follows:

Time, St. Andrew's Day, November 30, 1925.
Place, Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City.
Consecrators: Rt. Rev. Dr. Talbot, Presiding Bishop; Rt. Rev. Walter Henry Overs; Rt. Rev. Dr. Gailor, Bishop of Tennessee.
Preacher: Rt. Rev. Dr. Gailor, Bishop of Tennessee.  
Presenters: Rt. Rev. Dr. Manning, Bishop of New York; Rt. Rev. Dr. Maxon, Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee.

November 17. Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Rev. Shirley Hall Nichols, Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Kyoto, as follows:  
Time, April 13, 1926.  
Place, Holy Trinity Church, Kyoto.  
Consecrators: Rt. Rev. Dr. McKim, Bishop of North Tokio (presiding); Rt. Rev. Dr. Lea, Bishop of South Japan; Rt. Rev. Dr. Hamilton, Bishop of Nagoya or Mid-Japan.  
Preacher: Rt. Rev. Dr. Naide, Bishop of Osaka.  
Presenters: Rt. Rev. Dr. Reifsnider, Suffragan Bishop of North Tokyo; Rt. Rev. Dr. Motoda, Bishop of Tokyo.

November 22. Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Rev. Middleton Stuart Barnwell, Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Idaho, as follows:  
Time, December 30, 1925, 10:30 A.M.  
Place, Church of the Advent, Birmingham, Alabama.  
Consecrators: Rt. Rev. Dr. Talbot, Presiding Bishop; Rt. Rev. Dr. Gailor, Bishop of Tennessee; Rt. Rev. Dr. Beckwith, Bishop of Alabama.  
Preacher: Rt. Rev. Dr. Woodcock, Bishop of Kentucky.  
Presenters: Rt. Rev. Dr. McDowell, Bishop Coadjutor of Alabama; Rt. Rev. Frank Touret.

November 24. The consecration of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Stires, Bishop of Long Island, took place as ordered, save that the Rt. Rev. Dr. Talbot, Presiding Bishop, took the place of Bishop Burgess, who died October 15th, as chief consecrator, and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Murray, Bishop of Maryland, took the place of Bishop Talbot as consecrator.  

November 30. The consecration of the Rt. Rev. Robert Erskine Campbell, Bishop of Liberia, took place as ordered above.

December 4. Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Rev. Frank Whittington Creighton, Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Mexico, as follows:  
Time, Tuesday, January 12, 1926, at 10:30 A.M.  
Place, St. Ann's Church, Brooklyn, N. Y.  
Consecrators: Rt. Rev. Dr. Murray, Presiding Bishop; Rt. Rev. Dr. Garland, Bishop of Pennsylvania; Rt. Rev. Dr. Nelson, Bishop of Albany.  
Preacher: Rt. Rev. Dr. Stires, Bishop of Long Island.  
Presenters: Rt. Rev. Dr. Manning, Bishop of New York; Rt. Rev. Dr. Oldham, Bishop Coadjutor of Albany.

December 4. Acting under the resolutions of the recent General Convention, I again appointed a representative of the Protestant Episcopal Church as a member of the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society," namely, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Darlington, Bishop of Harrisburg.

December 16. Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Rev. Walter Mitchell, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Arizona, as follows:  
Time, January 5, 1926, 10:45 A.M.  
Place, Christ Church Pro-Cathedral, Trenton, New Jersey.  
Consecrators: Rt. Rev. Dr. Murray, Presiding Bishop; Rt. Rev. Dr. Matthews, Bishop of New Jersey; Rt. Rev. Dr. Atwood.
Preacher: Rt. Rev. Dr. Guerry, Bishop of South Carolina.
Presenters: Rt. Rev. Dr. Knight, Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey; Rt. Rev. Dr. Finlay, Bishop of Upper South Carolina.

December 16. Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Rev. William Matthews Merrick Thomas, Suffragan Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Southern Brazil, as follows:
Time, Holy Innocents' Day, December 28, 1925.
Place, St. Paul's Church, Baltimore, Md.
Consecrators: Rt. Rev. Dr. Talbot, Presiding Bishop; Rt. Rev. Dr. Kimsholting, Bishop of Southern Brazil; Rt. Rev. Dr. Cheshire, Bishop of North Carolina.
Preacher: Rt. Rev. Dr. Brown, Bishop of Virginia.
Presenters: Rt. Rev. Dr. Murray, Bishop of Maryland; Rt. Rev. Dr. Cook, Bishop of Delaware.


December 30. The consecration of the Rt. Rev. M. S. Barnwell, Bishop of Idaho, took place as ordered.

OFFICIAL ACTS of the Presiding Bishop.

January 5, 1926. The consecration of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Walter Mitchell took place as previously ordered by Presiding Bishop Talbot.

January 12. The consecration of the Rt. Rev. Frank W. Creighton took place as previously ordered by Presiding Bishop Talbot.


February 28. Received notice from G. A. Thompson, Provincial Secretary, that the Reverend Frederick Merivale Molyneux, M.A., had been consecrated Bishop, and collated to office of Assistant Bishop of the Diocese of Melanesia.

March 30. Received from the Archbishop of Armagh, Primate of all Ireland and Metropolitan, that on Wednesday, March 17, 1926, in the Cathedral Church of St. Patrick, Armagh, with the assistance of Lord Bishops William Richard of Kilmore and Elphin and Ardagh; Joseph Irvine of Derry and Raphoe; Charles Thornton Primrose, of Down and Connor and Dromore; Harry Vere, of Limerick and Ardferd and Aghadoe; and James, of Clogher, he did consecrate to be Bishop the Very Reverend Thomas Gibson George Collins, B.D., duly elected to be Bishop of the See of Meath.

April 1. Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Reverend Dr. John Thomson Dallas, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of New Hampshire, as follows:
Time, Tuesday, May 4, 1926.
Place, St. Paul's Church, Concord, New Hampshire.
Consecrators: The Rt. Rev. Dr. John Gardner Murray, Bishop of Maryland, Presiding Bishop; the Rt. Rev. Dr. A. C. A. Hall, Bishop of Vermont; the Rt. Rev. Dr. William Lawrence, Bishop of Massachusetts.
Presenters: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Frederick Foote Johnson, Bishop of Missouri; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Charles Lewis Slattery, Bishop-Coadjutor of Massachusetts.
May 4. The consecration of the Reverend Dr. John Thomson Dallas, Bishop of the Diocese of New Hampshire, took place as ordered, the Bishop Coadjutor of Vermont, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Samuel Babcock Booth, acting for the Bishop Coadjutor of Massachusetts, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Charles Lewis Slattery, as Presenter.

July 17. Approved amendment to Canon XV. of the Canons of the Missionary District of North Dakota (See Canon 19, Sec. IV., [i.]).

July 31. Received from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Virginia the following notice:

"The Standing Committee of the Diocese of Virginia do hereby certify that they have received from a majority of the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and from the Standing Committees of a majority of the Dioceses, express consent to the election of the Rt. Rev. H. St. George Tucker, D.D., former Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto, to be Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Virginia." And there was appended thereto a list of the names of the Bishops and Standing Committees constituting said majorities. Notified the Secretary of the House of Bishops accordingly, and requested him to make the necessary Roll change.


October 18. Received notice from Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Massachusetts that he had received and accepted the Letter Dimissory of the retired Bishop of Idaho, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Frank Hale Touret, date of record being October 1, 1926.

October 15. Accepted resignation of the Rt. Rev. Dr. Theodore Payne Thurston, Bishop of the District of Oklahoma, subject to action of the House of Bishops, on grounds of ill health, certified to by his physician.

November 1. Appointed the Rt. Rev. Dr. Eugene Cecil Seaman, Bishop of the District of North Texas, my substitute in temporary charge of the District of Oklahoma, which appointment he accepted (Canon 14, Sec. VI.).

November 10. Having received notice that a majority of the Bishops and Standing Committees of this Church in the U. S. of A. have concurred in the election of Suffragan Bishop Edward Campion Acheson to be Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Connecticut, I have this day so certified to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, with request that he make the necessary change in Bishop Acheson's status and title on the records of the House.

November 27. Received notice from the Rev. Arthur Chilton Powell, President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Maryland that a canonical majority of all the Standing Committees of this Church had given consent to the ordination and consecration of the Reverend Edward Trail Helfenstein, D.D., to be Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Maryland, together with all other necessary testimonials; all of which I communicated to the Bishops having jurisdiction in the U. S. of A., with request for their individual canonical action.
December 7. A majority of the Bishops having given canonical consent to the ordination and consecration of the Reverend Edward Trail Helfenstein, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor-elect, of the Diocese of Maryland, I so notified the Reverend Arthur Chilton Powell, D.D., President of the Standing Committee of said Diocese.

December 8. Took order for ordination and consecration of the Reverend Edward Trail Helfenstein, D.D., Bishop coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Maryland, as follows:

Time, Tuesday, Holy Innocents' Day, December 28, 1926.
Place, Memorial Church, Baltimore, Maryland.
Consecrators: The Presiding Bishop; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Frederick Focke Reese, Bishop of Georgia; and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Philip Cook, Bishop of Delaware.
Master of Ceremonies: The Reverend Dr. Romilly F. Humphries.
Registrar: The Reverend Dr. Charles L. Pardee.

December 28, Holy Innocents. The consecration of the Reverend Dr. Edward Trail Helfenstein, Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland, took place as ordered above.

January 31, 1927. Received notice from the Archbishop of New Zealand, "that the Diocese of Auckland in the Ecclesiastical Province of New Zealand has been divided, and a new Diocese created as from the first day of April, 1926, the new Diocese being designated the Diocese of Aekakato." Also received "Certificate of the consecration of the first Bishop of the new Diocese, the Venerable Cecil Arthur Cherrington, B.D., formerly Archdeacon of Mauritius."

March 4. Received notice from the Archbishop and Metropolitan of Rupert's Land that on the 24th day of February, 1927 (the Feast of St. Matthias), he consecrated the Very Reverend Louis Ralph Sherman, D.D., to be a Bishop in and of the See of Calgary, which notice was duly certified by the Registrar of the Province of Rupert's Land.

March 17. To 152 Bishops of the Church, the following Call was duly communicated:

Pursuant to the provisions of Canon 14, Sec. VII., and of Rules of Order XXVII. and XXIX. of the General Rules of the House of Bishops, a Special Session of the House of Bishops is hereby called, to convene in New York City, on Wednesday, June 1, 1927. The opening service will be held in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, Amsterdam Avenue and 110th Street at ten A.M., and will be followed as soon thereafter as possible with the business meeting of the House, at Calvary Church, at Fourth Avenue and 21st Street.

The Purpose of the Call is:

I. To take action on the resignation of the Right Reverend Dr. Theodore Payne Thurston, Bishop of the Missionary District of Oklahoma;

II. To elect, if it shall become necessary, a Bishop for the Missionary District of Oklahoma;
III. To take such action as may be rendered necessary by such election; and

IV. To transact any other business that may be lawfully presented at a Special Session.

The Bishops are invited to send to the Secretary of the House any names of persons suggested for the anticipated vacancy.

Each Bishop is requested to return, as early as convenient, on the slip enclosed herein, to the Presiding Bishop, the statement whether he will be able to attend or no.

The Bishops will be vested for the opening service.

Reservations for hotel accommodations may be secured by addressing Mr. William H. Barse, at the hotel at 52 Gramercy Park, North.

Presiding Bishop.

March 29. Approved new Canon, providing for and regulating the office of Archdeacon, enacted by the Missionary District of San Joaquin at its 17th Annual Convocation, and numbered Canon XXVI. of said District, Secs. 261, 262, 263.

June 1. Reported resignation of the Rt. Rev. Dr. N. S. Thomas, Missionary Bishop of District of Wyoming.

June 2. Appointed Bishop N. S. Thomas, resigned Bishop of District of Wyoming, my substitute in charge of said District to January 1, 1928. He accepted the appointment. (Can. 14, Sec. 6.)

June 6. Complying with the provisions of Canon 18, Sec. VII., [iv.], I gave notice that the House of Bishops in Special Session in New York City on June 1, 1927, acted upon the resignation of their jurisdiction by The Rt. Rev. Dr. William Lawrence, Bishop of Massachusetts,

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Theodore Payne Thurston, Bishop of the Missionary District of Oklahoma, and

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Nathaniel Seymour Thomas, Bishop of the Missionary District of Wyoming:

That the vote of the House of Bishops accepting the same has been recorded in its Journal; and that the resignations of the above named Bishops of their jurisdiction have by me been pronounced complete.

July 9. Approved changes in Constitution and Canons of the Missionary District of New Mexico and Southwest Texas, as submitted to me by the Rt. Rev. Dr. Howden, Bishop.

September 22. Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Reverend Thomas Casady, Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Oklahoma as follows:

Time, Sunday, October 2, 1927—16th after Trinity.

Place, All Saints' Church, Omaha, Nebraska.

Consecrators: The Presiding Bishop; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Burleson, Bishop of South Dakota; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Morrison, Bishop of Iowa.

Preacher: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Johnson, Bishop of Colorado.

Presenters: The Rt. Rev. Dr. Shayler, Bishop of Nebraska; the Rt. Rev. Dr. Longley, Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa.

Master of Ceremonies: The Reverend Bertram Smith.

Attending Presbyters: The Ven. Franklin Davis; the Rev. Hugh L. Llwyd.

October 2—16th after Trinity. The consecration of the Reverend Thomas Casady, Bishop of the District of Oklahoma, took place as ordered above.
July 25. Received notice from the Reverend George MacLaren Brydon, Secretary of the Diocese of Virginia, that Bishop William Cabell Brown, Bishop of Virginia, and Assessor to the Presiding Bishop, died suddenly in London, England, this morning.

October 25. Received notice from Bishop W. R. Stearly that Bishop Edwin Stevens Lines, Bishop of Newark, died this morning.


November 5. The Rt. Rev. Dr. Charles H. Brent having resigned as Bishop-in-charge of the Churches in Europe (upon the advice of his physicians) I appointed the Rt. Rev. Dr. William Lawrence as Successor to Bishop Brent in said position, and Bishop Lawrence accepted the appointment.


December 28. The following notice was sent to Bishop Colmore, Bishop Carson and Archdeacon Wyllie:

"Know all men by these presents, that I, John Gardner Murray, Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America,

"In pursuance of special action taken by the House of Bishops at a meeting duly called and held in New York City on June 1, 1927, transferring ecclesiastical jurisdiction in the Dominican Republic to the Bishop of Haiti,

"Do hereby appoint,

"The Right Reverend Harry Roberts Carson, D.C.,

"Bishop of Haiti,

as the successor of the Right Reverend Charles Blaney Colmore, D.D., to whom as Bishop of Porto Rico had previously been assigned jurisdiction in the Dominican Republic."

Attest:

(Signed) JOHN G. MURRAY,
Presiding Bishop.

(Signed) CHARLES L. PARDEE,
Secretary of the House of Bishops.

January 6, 1928. Accepted resignation of the Rt. Rev. Lucien Lee Kinsolving, D.D., Bishop of the Missionary District of Southern Brazil, subject to action of the House of Bishops, on grounds of ill-health certified to by his physicians.

January 30. Received notice from Frank L. Norris, Bishop in North China, Secretary of the House of Bishops of "Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui," of the consecration on November 1st (All Saints' Day), 1927, of Ding Ing-Ong, as a Bishop in the Church of God, he having been duly chosen Assistant Bishop in Fukien.

January 31. Received notice from Charles Frederick, Archbishop of Armagh, Primate of all Ireland and Metropolitan, that on the 6th day of January, 1928 (Feast of the Epiphany), he consecrated the Reverend John Mason Harden, D.D., L.L.D., "duly elected to be Bishop of the See of Tuam and Killala and Anconry, according to the Form, Rites, and Custom of the Church of Ireland," which notice was duly certified by the Registrar of the Province of Armagh.
May 28. Approved changes in Constitution and Canons of the District of the Philippine Islands as submitted to me by the Reverend Benson Heale Harvey, Secretary of the Convocation of said District, and published in the 1927 Journal of Convocation Proceedings.

June 18. Approved changes in Constitution and Canons of the District of Wyoming as submitted to me by the Bishop in Charge and adopted by the Convention of said District on May 24, 1928.

Sunday, July 1, 1928. Complying with provisions of Canon 18, Sec. VII. [i.], I gave the Bishops of the Church notice of the resignation of his jurisdiction by the Bishop of Albany, quoting communication from him on May 3, 1928.

Tuesday, August 7, 1928. Complying with provisions of Canon 18, Sec. VII., [i.], I gave the Bishops of the Church notice of the resignation of his jurisdiction by the Bishop of Lexington, quoting communication from him on July 25, 1928.

Saturday, September 15, 1928. Complying with provisions of Canon 18, Sec. VII., [i.], I gave the Bishops of the Church notice of the resignation of his jurisdiction by the Bishop of Connecticut, quoting communication from him on September 1, 1928.

Bishop Lawrence for the Special Committee on the Presiding Bishop's Contingent Fund, reported approval, which report was accepted.

On motion of the Bishop of Fond du Lac, the invitation of the Bishop of Washington for the Bishops to attend the Woman's Auxiliary Service tomorrow morning, vested, was accepted.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned until Thursday morning at 10 o'clock.

SECOND DAY

THURSDAY, October 11, 1928.

The House met after devotions, the Bishop of Massachusetts reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture.

The Roll of the House was called.

The Bishop of Ohio and the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio appeared and took their seats.

The Bishop of Ohio took the Chair temporarily on account of the presence of the Presiding Bishop at the United Thank Offering Service.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.
The Bishop of Georgia for the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the sessions of the House be from 10 A.M. to 1 P.M. and from 2:30 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.

That after the regular order as provided in Section IV. of the Daily Order, not later than 11:30 A.M., the House proceed to the consideration of the Amendments to the Prayer Book, beginning with the Amendments to the Baptismal Office and following that the Offices of Instruction, the order to be continued until 1 P.M.

2:30 P.M. to 3:30 P.M. Reports of Committees and Commissions, to be placed upon the Calendar.

3:30 P.M. to 5 P.M. Amendments to the Prayer Book.

The House rose to receive the Rev. Dr. Powell and Mr. Parker from the House of Deputies who informed the House of Bishops that the House of Deputies was organized and ready for business, presenting the following Message from that House:

MESSAGE No. 1. First Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has completed its organization by the election of the Rev. Z. Barney Phillips, D.D., of the Diocese of Washington as President, and the Rev. Carroll M. Davis, LL.D., of the Diocese of Missouri as Secretary, and that it is ready to proceed to business.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The Bishop of Milwaukee presented papers relative to the proposed new Diocese of Eau Claire, which were referred to the Committee on New Dioceses.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the matter of a Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop was taken from the Committee on Canons and referred to a Special Committee, to be appointed.


[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 2.]

Bishop Rhinelander presented the Report of the Commission on Deaconesses and asked that it be put on the Calendar.

The Bishop of Western New York reported for the Special Committee on Greetings from the Canadian Church, that inasmuch as the letter was addressed to the Presiding Bishop it should be referred back to him for reply.

The Bishop of North Tokyo introduced a Petition from the Standing Committee of the Missionary District of Tohoku asking for the election of a Missionary Bishop, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.
The Bishop of California presented a resolution relative to compulsory military training, also a resolution on outlawry of war, which were referred to the Committee on Social Service.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Lectionary with the request that it be placed upon the Calendar.

The American Bible Society through its Secretary asked permission to make its report. On motion this was placed upon the Calendar for Monday, October 15, at 11 A.M.

The Registrar presented his report for the last three years which on motion was received and ordered printed in the Journal. (Appendix VII.)

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 10.]

The House here considered Prayer Book Revision to 11:30 A.M. to be resumed at 3:30 P.M.

At noon the Chairman bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 2. First Day of Session, Wednesday, October 10, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the schedule for Joint Sessions of the two Houses as the same appears in the official program for this Convention as published by said Committee on Arrangements be and it is hereby approved and adopted.

Resolved, further, That during these Joint Sessions, the privileges of the floor shall be given to the Officers and Secretaries of the National Council, to the Presidents of Church Colleges and the Deans of Church Seminaries, and to the official delegates from the Diocese to the Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary, and that the center section of the gallery shall be reserved for these ladies.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 4.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 3. Second Day of Session, Thursday, October 11, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, In this General Convention, the sessions of the two Houses are held in different parts of the city of Washington at some distance from each other, and the proper and expeditious handling of the business
of the Convention requires that a suitable and official messenger service shall be authorized and provided for the prompt and regular transmission of the official messages between the Houses; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That each House shall elect an official messenger to be under the supervision and direction of the respective Secretaries of each House.

Resolved, further, That the Chairmen of the Committee on Despatch of Business of the two Houses are authorized to nominate volunteers for this service.

Resolved, further, That for the present and until otherwise ordered, the Official Messenger from the House of Bishops shall be the Rev. F. Bland Tucker and the Official Messenger for the House of Deputies shall be the Rev. E. Pinkey Wroth.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message with the exception of the appointment of the Official Messenger of the House of Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the House appointed the Rev. F. Bland Tucker as its Official Messenger.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 3.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 4.

Second Day of Session,
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Mr. William W. Skiddy be and he is hereby elected Treasurer of the General Convention.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 5.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 5.

Second Day of Session,
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Mr. Lewis B. Franklin be elected as Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 6.]

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky, the Rules of Order 7a and 7b as temporarily suspended yesterday were referred to the
Presiding Bishop and the Committee on Rules of Order with instructions to report back.

The House here considered Prayer Book Revision.

At this point the Right Reverend Shirley Hall Nichols, D.D., Bishop of Kyoto was presented to the House, by the Bishop of North Tokyo, and the Right Reverend Thomas Casady, D.D., was presented by the Bishop of South Dakota. These Bishops were received by the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Ohio took the Chair.

On motion of the Bishop of Easton the discussion on the Fifth Report of the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of The Book of Common Prayer on The So-Called Mission Prayer Book was postponed for one week to follow consideration of the Lectionary.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of The Book of Common Prayer, was discharged from further consideration of a proposed Office for the Making of Deaconesses.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 14.]

On motion the Bishop of Minnesota presented a Petition relative to Inter-dependence Day of the Seven English Speaking Nations which was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

The Bishop of Western New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following address from the General Convention be engrossed and presented to the Most Reverend Dr. Davidson, whose high Christian character and burning missionary zeal, and able administration through a quarter of a century as Archbishop of Canterbury is of world wide repute, as he lays down the burdens of his exalted office.


Your Grace:

At the time of your retirement we of the Episcopal Church in America desire to express to your our affection and esteem as you lay down the burden of high responsibility. Your long tenure of office, exceeding that of any Archbishop since Archbishop Warham four centuries ago, has covered troublous times political and ecclesiastical. Throughout its stretch you have met your varied duties with patience, wisdom and courage. Your administration of home affairs has been distinguished. Your missionary knowledge and sympathy has reached the ends of the earth and warmed the heart of many a lonely missionary. We recall with happiness your visit, the first visit of an Archbishop of Canterbury
to America, in 1904. At that time you and Mrs. Davidson won high regard and love by your gracious simplicity, your devoutness and your quick understanding of our problems.

Twice you have played the part of host to the American Episcopate. In 1908 and 1920 at two successive meetings of the Lambeth Conference our Bishops have sat under your leadership, and enjoyed the abundant hospitality of yourself and Mrs. Davidson. Your wide flung doors have strengthened the bond of peace between your nation and ours, and helped us realize that the waves of the sea closely unite the shores they separate.

Of Mrs. Davidson’s hospitality we cannot speak without grateful emotion. Her thoughtful courtesies, her gracious friendliness, her quick sympathies win the hearts of all who are fortunate enough to come within her reach.

By happy coincidence your retirement from public office falls on the day of your golden wedding. We rejoice in the fact that at fourscore years you still retain the joy of living with youthful buoyancy and hope. With gratitude for the past we pray God that your home may be blessed by the constant presence and inspiration of Him whom you have served so long and so well.

The accompanying gift from friends in America we trust you will accept for your personal use as a token of our friendship and love for yourself and Mrs. Davidson.

On behalf of the House of Bishops,
President,
Secretary.

On behalf of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,
President,
Secretary.

The General Convention,
Washington, D. C.
October eleventh,
Nineteen hundred and twenty-eight.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 8.]

The Bishop of Western New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following address from the General Convention be engrossed and presented to the Most Reverend Dr. Lang, Archbishop of York, a lover of Christian unity and a zealous worker for it, as he assumes the responsibility of the Archbishop of Canterbury:

To the Right Honorable and Most Reverend Cosmo Gordon Lang, D.D.,
Your Grace:

As we offer our affectionate good wishes to the present Archbishop of Canterbury upon his retirement from his long and distinguished service as Primate of all England, so we bid you Godspeed as you take up the tasks and responsibilities he lays down. Your burden will be great but your experience in the office which you now relinquish, and your intimate association with your predecessor will ease its weight.
We remember with gratitude your visit to America during the days of the Great War, and the words of measured wisdom with which you won the esteem of our people. As is the case of the Archbishop of Canterbury, so was it in yours—you were the first Archbishop of York to visit American shores. We hope that it may be possible for you to repeat your visit in your new office.

Independently of office, you are a leader of men. Your work for Christian unity, the presentation of which deeply moved the Lambeth Conference of 1920 has transcended the boundaries of your own Communion and touched wide areas of Christendom.

We extend to you our good will and high regard as you assume your new and exalted position, and we pray God to guide you in your leadership of the Church of England.

On behalf of the House of Bishops,
President,
Secretary.

On behalf of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,
President,
Secretary.

The General Convention,
Washington, D. C.
October eleventh,
Nineteen hundred and twenty-eight.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 9.]

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, November 11th this year will be the tenth Anniversary of the signing of the Armistice and will occur on Sunday, therefore

Be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That it be recommended to the Bishops and Clergy to observe Armistice Day, 1928, with special services and sermons, and to endeavor to promote and secure, if possible, the observance of the day with a Community Service of all Christian bodies in their respective communities.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 11.]

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado a resolution relative to furnishing an Assessor to the Presiding Bishop was referred to a Special Committee of five Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado a resolution relative to the Translation of Bishops was referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

The Bishop of Delaware for the Commission appointed at the last General Convention to consider the advisability of Inaugurating a Layman’s Voluntary Missionary Offering, presented the following Report with appended resolution, which was adopted:

The Commission created by resolution of the General Convention of 1925 meeting in New Orleans to consider the Advisability of Inaugurating a Layman’s Voluntary Missionary Offering respectfully submits this
initial report to the Presiding Bishop and National Council of their work up to the present time.

The Commission has held several meetings—the first in February of this year at which the resolution of the General Convention on this matter was carefully considered and after communicating with the Chairman of the Committee on Missions of the House of Deputies who introduced the measure, we came to the conclusion that what was desired was not the judgment of the members of this Commission as to the advisability of such a plan, but rather that we should discover, if possible, the mind and judgment of those upon whose interest and co-operation the success of such a movement must depend.

The Commission, therefore, prepared a letter of inquiry on this subject (a copy of which is attached to this report) which has been sent to all the members of the General Convention, to all the Bishops, Clerical and Lay deputies; and later to Executive Secretaries and representatives of the Field Department in the various Dioceses. Of the Bishops who replied, 24 are definitely unfavorable or skeptical as to the advisability or hope of success. Of the Clergy 35 replies favor; 40 are unfavorable. Of the Laity 29 replies favor; 41 advise against the movement. The fact that less than 25 per cent. of the inquiries were replied to at all is an indication of the attitude of many. This tabulation takes no account of the vote of Diocesan Councils, Vestries, Men's Clubs, and Laymen's Associations which have been received and considered. Few of the replies were as definite as this bare statement would seem to indicate. Most of them gave a qualified answer giving explanations and reasons for their answer.

The reasons for objections to the proposal may be grouped generally as follows:

First: That the Program of the Church has first if not exclusive claim to consideration; that it is being more seriously considered than ever before; that the Church ought to center its strength into that effort; and that anything which would detract is bound to do more harm than good.

Second: That there is no organization among the men corresponding to the Woman's Auxiliary and therefore the promoting of such an offering would fall upon the Parish organization already occupied with the Program and Parish support.

Third: That much of the money for the United Thank Offering of women and for the Children's Offering comes from the resources furnished by the men, and such a plan, if successful, might cut into these offerings.

Fourth: There are too many special appeals already.

We present these objections not as our own but as those contained in letters received from those unfavorable to this plan. The members of the Commission are clear and unanimous in their judgment based on these replies and their own observation—that the Church is not ready for such a movement and that it would be distinctly inadvisable to attempt to inaugurate it at this time. Further we feel these conditions are likely to continue until the next meeting of the General Convention, at which time this Commission can report the matter in detail to that body, and, if conditions seem to warrant it, make recommendations for their consideration as to what steps ought to be taken in advance of such a movement so to organize the men of the Church that such a plan, if inaugurated at all, would come to them as an effort whose chief aim
is to educate, to deepen the sense of responsibility to God, to rouse their interest in the Church's work for the Kingdom of God, to stimulate their interest in a common task rather than have it appear as most seem not to think of it simply as an effort to raise more money.

Certainly nothing should be done until after the Bishop's Crusade. It is possible the Crusade may so change the situation that some such plan might be a logical part of the follow-up work. But all that remains to be seen and no hint of it should intrude into a movement entirely separated from a money appeal.

We present this initial report that the Presiding Bishop and National Council may be informed as to what has been done in this matter; we plan to continue to keep in touch with the situation, and ask you to give us, if you so desire, directions and advice on this subject.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) PHILIP COOK,
W. H. MILTON,
JOHN S. ROGERS.

Members who have not signed this report but have expressed themselves by letter as agreeing in its contents,

D. G. SWANELL,
JOHN R. SPRING.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, This Commission be discharged from further consideration of this subject.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 12.]

At this point Message No. 6 from the House of Deputies relative to Prayer Book Revision was given consideration.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned until tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock.

THIRD DAY
FRIDAY, October 12, 1928.

The House met after devotions, the Bishop of Oklahoma reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture. The Presiding Bishop in the Chair.

The Roll of the House was called.

The Bishop of Tennessee, Bishop N. S. Thomas, the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, Bishop Overs, the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York, and the Bishop of Oklahoma, previously present, were recorded.

The Minutes of yesterday's sessions were read and approved.

The Presiding Bishop announced changes in the Standing Committees as follows:

The Bishop of Minnesota from the Committee on Rules of Order to the Committee on Despatch of Business.
The Bishop of Western Massachusetts from the Committee on Despatch of Business to the Committee on Rules of Order.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi from the Committee on Unfinished Business to the Committee on Rural Work.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut from the Committee on Rural Work to the Committee on Unfinished Business.

On motion of the Bishop of Tennessee the following resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote.

The Bishops assembled in this meeting of the General Convention observe with deep regret the absence of their dear Brother, Bishop Winchester of Arkansas, and extend to him their loving sympathy in his illness and earnestly pray that he may have comfort and help in his sufferings and a safe and happy deliverance out of all affliction.

The Bishop of Georgia for the Committee on Despatch of Business called the attention of the members of the House to the importance of prompt attendance at its sessions.

The hour having arrived for the Joint Session to consider the Report of the Presiding Bishop and Council, the House adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

FOURTH DAY

SATURDAY, October 13, 1928.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of New Hampshire reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture. The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Bishop of Albany and the Bishop of Alabama appeared and took their seats.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Chair appointed the following Special Committees:

On Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop—The Bishop of Louisiana, the Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Western Michigan and the Bishop of Colorado.

On Assessor to the Presiding Bishop—Bishop Lawrence, the Bishop of Ohio, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of South Dakota, and the Bishop of Mississippi.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota a message of affectionate greeting was directed to be sent to:

The Bishop of Texas, the Bishop of Southern Brazil, Bishop Thurston, the Bishop of Montana, the Bishop of Honolulu and the Bishop of Iowa, who on account of illness or infirmity are unable to be present.
The Bishop of Georgia for the Committee on the Despatch of Business presented the following Report, which was adopted:

1. 10:00 Regular Order
2. 11:00 Messages on (1) The Prayer Book; (2) Other Matters.
3. Committee on Rules, if time permits.

On motion of the Bishop of North Texas a Petition in connection with the retention in the Prayer Book of the Thirty-nine Articles was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

On motion of the Bishop of Erie a petition to reaffirm the resolution of the last General Convention relative to Prohibition was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the Report of the Committee to Which is Referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces and all Other Matters Pertaining Thereto, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware a resolution relative to Ordination of Seminary students was referred to the Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry.

On motion of the Bishop of New Jersey a Memorial relative to the reconsideration of Canon 36 was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of North Carolina certain proposed Amendments to Canons 27 to 30, and 40 to 51, were referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis the House extended its congratulations, felicitations and affectionate good wishes to the Bishop of Ohio on the thirty-ninth anniversary of his Consecration and to the Bishop of Los Angeles on his eighth anniversary.

The Bishop of Cuba for the Committee on Rules of Order made the following Report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Rules of Order begs leave to report:

1. That it has organized by the election of the Bishop of Kentucky as Chairman and the Bishop of Cuba as Secretary.
2. That it has considered Rule 7, clauses a and b, and recommends that they be retained with this change, viz: the word vice-chairman be substituted for chairman here and wherever it occurs in the rules.
3. It recommends the insertion of a new clause c, viz:
   "In case of a vacancy in the office of Assessor, or of his disability, the Presiding Bishop may appoint an Assessor to act until the next meeting of the House of Bishops."
   And that the present clause (c) be changed to (d).
4. It has considered the various names given to the Presiding Officer of this House, in the Rules of Order and recommends the following changes:
   (a) Rule 8, page 2—substitute the words Presiding Officer for Chairman in the third line.
   (b) Daily Orders I., page 2—substitute the words Presiding Officer for President in the first line. Omit the words “by the President” in the third line.
   (c) Page 3, Daily Orders VII.—substitute the words Presiding Officer for President in the second line.
   (d) Page 3, General Rules III.—substitute the words Presiding Officer for the word Chairman in the first line. Make sub-section 2 read as follows:
      “On Rules of Order, of which the Presiding Bishop shall be a member ex-officio.”
      Substitute the words Presiding Officer for the word Chairman in second line from bottom of Rule III.
   (e) Rule IV.—substitute the words Presiding Officer for the word Chairman in the second line.
   (f) Page 4, Rule VIII.—substitute the words Presiding Officer for the word President in third line.
   (g) Page 5, Rule XX.—substitute the words Presiding Officer for the word Chairman in the fifth line.
   (h) Rule XXI.—substitute the words Presiding Officer for the word President in the third line.
   (i) Rule XXII.—substitute the words Presiding Officer for the word Chairman in the first line.
   (j) Page 6, Rule XXVIII.—change Section 6 to read “Communications from the Presiding Officer.”

5. The Committee recommends that on page 2, Daily Orders, No. III., the words “Joint Session” be substituted for the words “Board of Missions.”

On motion of the Suffragan Bishop of Chicago the Report of the Committee on the Conduct of Religious Services was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 8. Third Day of Session, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 2, appointing the Reverend Lucien Moore Robinson, S.T.D., as Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer.

Attest:
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 9. Third Day of Session, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 8, recommending that the address incorporated in
the Message be engrossed and presented to the Most Reverend Dr. Davidson, Archbishop of Canterbury.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 10.

Third Day of Session.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 9, recommending that the address incorporated in the Message be engrossed and presented to the Most Reverend Dr. Lang, Archbishop of York.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 11.

Third Day of Session.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 10, ordering the Report of the Registrar printed in the Journal.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 12.

Third Day of Session.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 11, recommending to the Bishops and Clergy to observe Armistice Day, 1928, with special services and sermons because of the fact that this year will be the tenth anniversary of the signing of the Armistice and will occur on Sunday.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 13.

Third Day of Session.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 12, discharging the Joint Commission on Layman's Voluntary Missionary Offering from further consideration of the subject.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 14.

Third Day of Session.
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 14, discharging the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer from their further consideration of the Proposed Office for the Making of Deaconesses.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Connecticut the House voted to continue the Joint Commission on an Italian Version of the Book of Common Prayer.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 15.]

Message No. 7 from the House of Deputies relative to Prayer Book revision was here considered.
During the action on the above Message the Bishop of Ohio, at the request of the Presiding Bishop, took the Chair.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned until Monday morning at ten o'clock.

FIFTH DAY

MONDAY, October 15, 1928.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of Kyoto reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture. The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read and, after correction, approved.

The Committee on Despatch of Business reported no program for this session on account of the Joint Session at 11 o'clock.

Bishop Lloyd on behalf of the Bishop of New York asked permission of the House to present Mr. Schapiro, Secretary of the Society on Jewish Christian Literature, at luncheon today.

On motion of the Bishop of North Carolina the Standing Resolution relative to retired Bishops, insert on page 9, Rules of Order, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order to determine its constitutional standing.

The Bishop of East Carolina presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops express its felicitations to the Bishop of North Carolina upon this Thirty-fifth anniversary of his consecration, and the Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina upon the sixth anniversary of his consecration.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi reported the organization of the Committee on Rural Work, by the election of the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi as Chairman and the Bishop of Easton as Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Michigan the Report of the Commission to Study the Whole Problem of Divorce was received and placed on the Calendar.


Bishop Atwood presented a Report of The Committee on Nominations of Missionary Bishops which on motion of the
Bishop of Georgia was made the Special Order of Business for Wednesday afternoon at 2:30.

The Bishop of New Jersey extended to the House an invitation to make Atlantic City, New Jersey the meeting place of the General Convention in 1934. The invitation was received and directed to be placed on the agenda of the Convention of 1931.

On motion of the Bishop of Erie a resolution relative to the tenure of office of the rector of a parish was referred to the Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry.

The hour having arrived for the Joint Session to consider the Departmental Reports of the National Council and Cooperating Agencies the House adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

SIXTH DAY
TUESDAY, October 16, 1928.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture. The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Bishop of Porto Rico appeared and took his seat.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Presiding Bishop read for the information of the House a letter concerning the condition of the Bishop of Honolulu stating that he was slowly improving in health.

The Presiding Bishop presented a letter from the President of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America which was referred to a Special Committee consisting of the Bishops of Western New York, Fond du Lac, and Pennsylvania.

The Report of the Historiographer was read to the House and accepted.

The Bishop of Georgia presented the Report of the Committee on Despatch of Business, which was adopted:

1. Regular Order until 11 A.M.
2. 11 A.M. Election of Vice-Chairman.
3. Appointment and Confirmation of Assessor to the Presiding Bishop.
4. Committee on Resignation of Bishops.
6. Committee on Revision of the Prayer Book.
2:30 P.M. Commission on Deaconesses.
3:30 P.M. Commission on Sanctity of Marriage.
4:00 P.M. Nomination of Historiographer and Recorder.

Announcement was made that a picture of the members of the two Houses of the Convention together with the President of the United States would be taken at the White House today at 12:45 o'clock.

A Memorial on Evangelism from the Daughters of the King was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

For the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, the Bishop of Missouri recommended the adoption of a Memorial requesting the House of Bishops to recognize and adopt the third Sunday in June as Magna Charta Day, which recommendation was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 32.]

From the same Committee a Memorial relative to the retention of the Thirty-nine Articles in the Prayer Book was on motion referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer.

On motion of the Bishop of Easton resolutions relative to Rural Church Work were referred to the Committee on Rural Work.

For the Committee on Rules of Order, the Bishop of Kentucky, offered the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That Rule VI. of the Rules of Order be amended by omitting the words "place upon the desk" so as to read:

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to prepare and distribute each morning after the opening of the House a Calendar of all Orders of the day not yet discharged.

Resolved, That the following clause be inserted in the present Standing Resolution No. 1, "other than those specified in Article I., Section 2, of the Constitution" so as to read:

That Bishops of the Church who have resigned their jurisdictions with the consent of the House of Bishops, other than those specified in Article I., Section 2, of the Constitution, are welcome to seats, without vote, at all sessions and meetings of the House of Bishops.

The Bishop of Vermont for the Committee on Canons presented the following Report, which was adopted:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee, having considered a Memorial from the Diocese of New Jersey, begging for a revision of Canon 36, "Of Renunciation of the Ministry," recommends That, the House of Deputies concurring, Canon 36 (page 118 in the Volume of Canons) be amended in line 21 by the insertion after the words "deprived of" of the words "the right to exercise" (the gifts and spiritual authority as a Minister of God's Word and Sacraments conferred on him in his Ordination).

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 18.]
On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the Petition of the Joint Committee on Provinces was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

The Bishop of Oregon for the Committee on Domestic Missions made the following reports which were accepted:

Report No. 1. The Committee on Domestic Missions has been organized by the election of the Bishop of Alaska as Chairman and the Bishop of Oregon, Secretary.

Report No. 2. The Missionary District of Wyoming being vacant by the resignation of the Rt. Rev. Nathaniel Seymour Thomas, D.D., LL.D., which resignation was accepted at the last meeting of the House of Bishops,

Resolved, That the House proceed in accordance with Canon 14, Section 2, [1.], to the election of a Bishop to fill the vacancy in the Episcopate of the Missionary District of Wyoming.

Report No. 3. Your Committee has given time and consideration to the mass of correspondence received from the District, committed to the Committee, asking that the vacancy in the Episcopate of Nevada be filled at this Convention. Upon the death of the Rt. Rev. George Coolidge Hunting, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Nevada, the District of Nevada was placed under the jurisdiction of the Bishop of Utah early in the year 1924. Bishop Moulton has administered the District of Nevada in a most satisfactory manner to the District and won the hearty commendation of Clergy and Laity alike. Your Committee has copy of a resolution passed by the Twentieth Annual Convocation of the District of Nevada, meeting early this year, it is as follows:

Be it Resolved, That this Convocation expresses its appreciation of our Bishops' difficult work in this great area and desires of the House of Bishops that, if possible, a Bishop be assigned for this District of Nevada and that Bishop Moulton might be given to Nevada. The Bishops of the Eighth Province have also passed a resolution submitted to your Committee urging the election of a Bishop for Nevada at this time. An exhaustive survey of Nevada, made under the direction of the National Council, points out in unusually strong terms the necessity of a resident Bishop and recommends the election of a Bishop. To quote from the report of the survey: "The Church's work cannot go forward without constant Episcopal supervision. The work requires a leader who will spend most of his time in the field. The Bishop's work in Nevada is not an office job. It can be done only by a man who is a Missionary first and a Bishop afterward. The Clergy and people are looking to the Church for a leader. They have been patient and appreciative. But the time for action has come. Under an aggressive, first-hand leadership of a real Missionary with the physique to endure un-remitting hardship and the personality to inspire confidence, the Church will become the dominant religious organization in Nevada in five years."

Resolved, That the House proceed in accordance with Canon 14, Section 2, [1.], to the election of a Bishop to fill the vacancy in the Episcopate of the Missionary District of Nevada.

For the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses the Suffragan Bishop of South Dakota presented the following report, which was adopted:
REPORT NO. 1. 

WHEREAS, The Dioceses of Milwaukee and Fond du Lac have requested the consent of General Convention to the formation of a new Diocese by the junction of parts of the aforesaid two Dioceses of Milwaukee and Fond du Lac in accordance with the provisions of Article V. of the Constitution, Sections 1 and 6, and

WHEREAS, The necessity for such petition is apparent in the economic, social and industrial unity of the territory included in the proposed new Diocese; in the increased efficiency of administration because of the substantial and rapid growth in population and sound industry; and

WHEREAS, The formation of such Diocese will not weaken either Diocese from which territory is being ceded; and

WHEREAS, The consent of the Bishop and Convention of both ceding Dioceses have been furnished in writing and under seal and signature, and

WHEREAS, There will be a canonical number of parishes in the new Dioceses and a canonical number of parishes left in each of the old Dioceses; and

WHEREAS, There has been obtained an ample endowment for the support of the Episcopate and also an endowment sufficient to care for all aided work at present carried on within the limits of the proposed new Diocese, and

WHEREAS, A Bishop’s house and offices for the new Diocese have already been provided, and

WHEREAS, The desire for the formation of this new Diocese is unanimous on the part of all parishes and missions in the new territory, and all have contributed toward the endowment fund of the new Diocese; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That consent is hereby given to the formation of the aforesaid new Diocese to consist of the following portions of the now existing Dioceses of Milwaukee and Fond du Lac, viz: that part of the state of Wisconsin lying north and west of and including the counties of Iron, Price, Taylor, Clark, Jackson, Juneau, Vernon and Ashland, together with the portions of Bayfield, Sawyer and Rush Counties lying east of the west line of Range 4, west of the Fourth Principal Meridian.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 24.]

The Bishop of North Dakota announced the organization of the Committee on Unfinished Business with the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut as Chairman and the Bishop of Los Angeles as Secretary.

The Bishop of Washington presented the Report of the Army and Navy Commission which was received and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of the Bishop of New York the Report of the Joint Commission on World Conference on Faith and Order was received and placed on the Calendar.

The Bishop of Newark presented the Third Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music which was placed on the Calendar awaiting a Message from the House of Deputies.
The Chairman called for the Order of the Day, nominations for the Office of Vice-Chairman of the House. On motion of Bishop Lawrence the nominations were postponed until after the election of an Assessor, which will follow the Report of the Special Committee on the Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Pittsburgh for the Committee on the Resignation of Bishops presented the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on the Resignation of Bishops to which were referred the resignations of the Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of Lexington, the Bishop of Southern Brazil and the Bishop of Albany, begs leave to report:

The Committee has carefully considered the letters written by the Bishops above named to the Presiding Bishop, giving the reasons for their resignations, advanced age in the case of the Bishop of Connecticut and the Bishop of Lexington, and ill health in the case of the Bishop of Southern Brazil and the Bishop of Albany. These letters are in the hands of the Committee and will be read to the House if desired.

The Committee believes that the resignations should be accepted and offers accordingly the following resolutions, viz:

(1) Resolved, That the resignation of the Right Reverend Chauncey B. Brewster, D.D., Bishop of Connecticut, on the ground of advanced age, in accordance with Article I., Section 2, of the Constitution be accepted.

(2) Resolved, That the resignation of the Right Reverend Lewis W. Burton, D.D., Bishop of Lexington, on the ground of advanced age, in accordance with Article I., Section 2, of the Constitution be accepted.

(3) Resolved, That the resignation of the Right Reverend Lucien Lee Kinsolving, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Southern Brazil, on the ground of bodily infirmity, in accordance with Article I., Section 2, of the Constitution be accepted.

(4) Resolved, That the resignation of the Right Reverend Richard Henry Nelson, D.D., Bishop of Albany, on the ground of bodily infirmity, in accordance with Article I., Section 2, of the Constitution, and to take effect July 1, 1929, be accepted.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee requested to be recorded as voting in the negative on the acceptance of the resignation of Diocesan Bishops.

Message No. 15 of the House of Deputies relative to Prayer Book Revision was here considered.

The Chair declared the completion of the Resignations of the Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of Lexington, the Bishop of Southern Brazil and of the Bishop of Albany, the last to take effect July 1, 1929, and instructed the Secretary to make the necessary changes on the Roll of the House.
The Suffragan Bishop of Chicago for the Committee on the Conduct of Religious Services offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this House hold a Corporate Celebration of the Holy Communion in Epiphany Church on St. Luke's Day at nine o'clock.

On motion of the Bishop of Quincy the House voted to send to Mr. Frederic J. Haskin an appreciation for his gift of the copies of his book on The American Government.

On motion the House adjourned in order to be photographed with the President of the United States on the grounds of the Executive Mansion. The House took a recess and resumed its session at 2:30 o'clock.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 16.  Fifth Day of Session.  MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in the printing of the Journal of this General Convention, the Secretaries of the two Houses be and they are hereby directed to segregate the record of all action relating to the Revision of the Book of Common Prayer, and to print it as a separate section of the Journal.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 31.]


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 15, recommending that the Joint Commission on an Italian Version of the Book of Common Prayer, appointed by the General Convention of 1925, be continued with power to fill vacancies and to add to its number.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 18.  Sixth Day of Session.  TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee of one Bishop, two Clerical Deputies and two Lay Deputies be appointed to prepare a resolution expressing our appreciation of the services of Mr. W. W. Skiddy, as Treasurer of General Convention.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: The Rev. Mr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania, Rev. Mr. Sykes of West Texas, Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut and Mr. Harrison of Atlanta.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
The Chairman appointed as a member of the committee from this House the Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 21.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 19.       Sixth Day of Session,
                       TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen be appointed to recommend the place of meeting of the next General Convention, to which Committee all invitations should be referred.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: The Rev. Dr. Travers of Missouri, the Rev. Mr. Eckel of Dallas, the Rev. Dr. MacMillan of Bethlehem, and Messrs. L. F. Monteagle of California, Robert H. Gardiner of Maine and George B. Elliott of East Carolina.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Chairman appointed as members of the committee from this House the Bishop of New Hampshire, the Bishop of Sacramento, and the Bishop of North Carolina.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 20.]

MESSAGE No. 20.       Sixth Day of Session,
                       TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Conference Committee on all matters concerning the revision of the Book of Common Prayer be appointed consisting of six members, three members being from each House.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: The Rev. Dr. Suter of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. St. George of Milwaukee, and Mr. J. Randolph Anderson of Georgia.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Chairman appointed as members of the committee from this House the Bishop of Vermont, the Bishop of Chicago and the Bishop of Tennessee.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 22.]

MESSAGE No. 21.       Sixth Day of Session,
                       TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee
The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:
The Rev. Dr. Davis of Western New York, the Rev. Dr. Wilson of Milwaukee, the Rev. Mr. Sherrill of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. White of Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Coupland of Louisiana, and Messrs. H. C. Theopold of Minnesota, Walter Kidde of Newark, F. C. Morehouse of Milwaukee, R. F. Barnes of Long Island, H. C. Wyc:off of California, George C. Thomas of Maryland, Chas. B. Warren of Michigan, C. Edwin Michael of Southwestern Virginia, Georgia Wharton Pepper of Pennsylvania and Mr. William A. Erwin of North Carolina.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The Chairman appointed as members of the committee from this House the Bishop of Mississippi, the Bishop of Duluth, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of Los Angeles and the Bishop of Delaware.

Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 23.]

MESSAGE No. 23. Sixth Day of Session,
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention grant the joint petition of the Dioceses of Milwaukee and Fond du Lac for the cession of their respective territories as specified, and the erection of a new Diocese with the limits and boundary mentioned in their joint petitions.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 24.]

MESSAGE No. 24. Sixth Day of Session,
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Third Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted, and that the Commission be continued, with power to fill vacancies and to add to its numbers.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 25.]
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on Evangelism be continued.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 26.]

Bishop Rhinelander presented the Report of the Commission on Deaconesses and on motion the following resolution was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon XXIV. (on Deaconesses), Section 1, be amended by striking out the last sentence and by substituting therefor the following: "A Deaconess who marries shall not continue to exercise her office."

On motion of Bishop Rhinelander the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the Present Tasks of the Church be continued for the special purpose of carrying forward the study and discussion of the Survey of Women Workers in the Church prepared for the Woman's Auxiliary in 1923, and making such further survey along these lines as may be necessary.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention heartily approves the Retiring Fund for Deaconesses and commends it to the sympathy and support of the Church.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 33.]

On motion of Bishop Rhinelander the Office for the Making of Deaconesses was referred to the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer.

On motion of the Bishop of Mississippi the following resolution was referred to the Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the Present Tasks of the Church.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon XXIV. (on Deaconesses), Section 1, be amended by striking out the last sentence.

On motion of the Bishop of Ohio the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the National Council be asked to appropriate from the Good Friday Offerings for the Jewish work under Mr. B. A. M. Schapiro's direction.

The Bishop of Minnesota extended an invitation to the General Convention to hold its session in 1931 in the City of Minneapolis, Minnesota, which invitation was referred to the Joint Committee on the place of meeting of the next General Convention.

The Bishop of Colorado rose to remind the House of the advantages of Denver as a place of meeting for the Convention.
The Bishop of New York presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts together with the following resolution which was adopted. (Appendix X.)

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Architecture and the Allied Arts be continued with power to fill vacancies and add to its number.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 34.]

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the House proceeded to the Nomination of members of the Court of Trial of a Bishop and the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop. Nominations were made as follows: For the Court of Trial of a Bishop, The Bishop of Montana, the Bishop of Southern Ohio, and the Bishop of Newark, to serve until 1937, and the Bishop of Upper South Carolina to take the place of the Bishop of South Carolina to serve until 1934, were nominated. There being no further nominations on motion of the Bishop of Georgia the Presiding Officer was instructed to cast one ballot. The ballot was cast and the Chair declared the nominees elected.

For the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, the following nominations were made: The Bishop of Ohio, the Bishop of West Virginia, and the Bishop of Western Massachusetts to serve until 1937, and the Bishop of California to take the place of the Bishop of Virginia to serve until 1931. There being no further nominations on motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis the Presiding Officer was instructed to cast one ballot. The ballot was cast and the Chair declared the nominees elected.

The Bishop of Newark presented the Third Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music together with the following resolution, which was adopted. (Appendix XIX.)

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Third Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted, and that the Commission be continued, with power to fill vacancies and to add to its numbers.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 25.]

Bishop Lawrence presented the Report of the Board of Church Finance which was temporarily held in abeyance pending a Message from the House of Deputies. (Appendix III.)

The Bishop of New York presented the Report of the Joint Commission on a World Conference on Faith and Order together with the following resolutions, which were adopted:

1. That the Presiding Bishop be requested to lead the General Convention in joint session in a suitable corporate act of thanksgiving to
Almighty God for the blessing and guidance which He has given to the World Conference on Faith and Order.

2. That a suitable message of thanks of the General Convention for the labors of those who participated in the World Conference and contributed to its success be transmitted to the Continuation Committee.

3. That the Continuation Committee also be informed that in the judgment of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church the World Conference should be continued, care being taken to preserve its educational nature by excluding schematic action; and that when the opportune time arrives this Church will gladly participate in another meeting of the Conference.

4. That the Commission of this Church on the World Conference on Faith and Order be continued and be instructed to appoint in the near future a special committee of theologians and scholars—not confined to the members of the Commission—for the purpose of assisting the Commission to consider and report to the next General Convention on the Lausanne Reports, and to confer as opportunity occurs on questions of Faith and Order with other Christian Communions.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 38.]

Also the following resolution which was referred to the Special Committee on Budget and Program:

That the sum of $7,500 per annum for three years be added to the budget for the work of the World Conference on Faith and Order.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Methodist Church, South, and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America and the Presbyterian Church in the United States be invited to form Commissions from their respective bodies to sit with a similar Commission appointed by General Convention in active study of matters of Christian Morality looking toward organic unity.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Commission of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen chosen from our younger theologians be appointed to act with the Commissions above mentioned and report to the next General Convention.

The Chairman appointed on the part of this House the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of California and the Bishop of Newark.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Messages Nos. 36 and 36a.]

On motion of the Bishop of Washington the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee of Arrangements of General Convention be requested to effect plans for a joint session, covering an afternoon or evening Mass Meeting where the whole subject of Church Unity may be presented by our Commission on Faith and Order.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 37.]
On motion of the Bishop of Kansas the House nominated to the House of Deputies the Reverend E. Clowes Chorley, D.D., of the Diocese of New York to be Historiographer.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 29.]


[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 28.]

On motion of the Bishop of Louisiana the House nominated to the House of Deputies the Reverend William S. Slack, of the Diocese of Louisiana to be Recorder of Ordinations.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 27.]

On motion of Bishop Lawrence two amendments to the Rules of Order were referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the matter of a permanent location of the headquarters of the National Council be referred to a Commission of five Bishops, five Presbyters and five Laymen who shall grant hearings upon the subject and shall consider all questions having a bearing upon this subject and that if possible they shall report to this Convention and that no final action on permanent headquarters shall be taken until the report of said Commission is made to General Convention.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 39.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi for the Committee on Rural Work made the following report:

REPORT No. 2. Your Committee on Rural Work is grateful for the increasing interest throughout the Church in the great work in the Rural Fields. It believes that much of the credit is due to the wise and enthusiastic leadership of the Department of Christian Social Service, with its Secretaries for Rural Work. The importance and vindication of the steadily increasing support of this activity of the Department of Christian Social Service are found in the results of their efforts.

Your Committee would offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses high commendation of and gratitude for the splendid and effective work done in the fostering and directing of Rural Work in this Church by the Department of Christian Social Service, through its Secretary for Rural Work.

The resolution was adopted.

Your Committee had referred to it a resolution, offered by the Bishop of Easton. While approving of the resolution your Committee offers a substitute in shorter form as follows: 
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission on Rural Work, consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and five Laymen, be appointed for fostering of the Church's work in village and country life; and that this Commission gives consideration to the following proposition.

1. The appointment of Commissions or Committees on Rural Work in the Provinces, Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the Church;
2. That the Bishops and other Clergy be requested to include the subject of Rural Work in their sermons on Rogation Sunday;
3. That this Commission encourage the establishment of Diocesan, District and Regional Conferences on Rural Work;
4. That the Theological Seminaries of the Church be urged to include Rural Work in their curricula.

The above resolution was adopted.

The Chairman later appointed on the part of this House the Bishop Coadjutor of Vermont, the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio, the Bishop of Easton, the Bishop of Kansas and the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 40.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi for the Committee on Rural Work presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer.

Your Committee has felt the necessity of a shorter and simpler form of worship to be used in the Rural Districts among those unfamiliar with our normal worship. The Committee wishes no substitute for the Prayer Book, but desires a bridge to lead men and women to a better understanding of and a more compelling familiarity with the worship of this Church. Experience, especially by the Bishop of South Western Virginia, has taught the value of a simple form as in introduction of the Church's sublime Book of Worship. To this end we offer the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Many persons in the smaller Missions of the various Dioceses of the Church are not familiar with the services of the Book of Common Prayer, and

WHEREAS, A brief Service Book has been prepared by the Bishop of South Western Virginia consisting of the Services of Morning and Evening Prayer, with simple Rubrics; carefully selected Psalms; and a few well known hymns; as a help in the conduct of the services, and leading to a better appreciation of the Book of Common Prayer, therefore be it

Resolved, That the House of Bishops commends the plan of the Committee on Rural Work for such a book of services for Morning and Evening Prayer for use in Mission Stations under the approval of the Diocesan.

The Bishop of Fond du Lac presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, The Right Reverend Dr. John McKim, Bishop of North Tokyo is now keeping his fiftieth year in the Priesthood, and
WHEREAS, The Bishop of North Tokyo's fifty years of able, devoted and heroic labors in Japan have been abundantly blessed of God in converts and in elevating our Holy religion to a prominent place among the Japanese people, and have given him an international position as a Christian Leader, therefore, be it

Resolved, That his Brother Bishops of this House hereby extend to the Bishop of North Tokyo our deep appreciation of his life and leadership, our real affection for him personally, and the assurance of our prayers that God may give continuing strength and vigor in his remaining years of service.

The House at this point considered Prayer Book Revision.

On motion of the Bishop of Hankow the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the service of the American Bible Society in translating, publishing and circulating the Sacred Scriptures in many languages and in many parts of the world be recognized as indispensable to our Churches and Missions, both home and foreign; and that the work of this Society be cordially recommended to the National Council as part of the work of the Church.

On motion of the Bishop of East Carolina the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That upon the invitation of the American Bible Society the Presiding Bishop again appoint a representative of the Protestant Episcopal Church as a member of the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Harrisburg as a Member of the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 35.]

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

SEVENTH DAY

WEDNESDAY, October 17, 1928.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of Mexico reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair. The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and after correction approved.

The Bishop of Georgia for the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following report, which was adopted:

1. Regular Order to 11 A.M.
2. Nomination and Confirmation of the Assessor to the Presiding Bishop.
3. Election of Vice-Chairman.
4. Report, Commission on Divorce.
5. Report, Commission on Army and Navy.
7. 2:30 P.M. Nominations of Missionary Bishops.
8. Reading of the Pastoral Letter.

The Bishop of West Virginia presented a resolution relative to Tentative Missionary Districts, with Negro Suffragans as Auxiliaries to the several Diocesans, which was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Bishop of Cuba for the Committee on Rules of Order presented the following report, which was adopted:

REPORT No. 3. The Committee on Rules to which has been referred the amendment to the Rule 7b proposed by Bishop Lawrence, changing the word "shall" to "may" in the first line begs leave to report that it has considered the question and makes the following recommendation:

Resolved, That the word "shall" in the first line on page 2 of the Rules of the House be changed to "may," so that the clause will read "at each General Convention the Presiding Bishop may nominate a Bishop to be his Assessor."

The Committee further reports that it has considered the new Section 7c, proposed by Bishop Lawrence and finds it unnecessary as this new section has already been adopted by the House.

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont Proposed Amendments to Canons 27 to 34 inclusive, also Canons 40 and 51, were placed on the Calendar.

The Bishop of Indianapolis for the Committee on Foreign Missions presented the following reports, and the resolution attached was adopted:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Foreign Missions organized by the election of the Bishop of Indianapolis as Chairman and the Bishop of Virginia as Secretary.

REPORT No. 2. There was referred to this Committee a resolution of the Bishop of North Tokyo that a Bishop be elected for the District of Tohoku, Japan, and the Committee has before it a Petition from the Standing Committee of that District and a letter from the Bishops' Meeting of the Church in Japan requesting the appointment of a Bishop for the said District.

Your Committee recommends that the Petition be granted.

The District of Tohoku comprises six prefectures extending from the boundaries of the District of North Tokyo to the northern limits of the main island. It has twenty missions with one self-supporting congregation, three American priests and twenty Japanese clergy. It needs, in the opinion of the authorities of the Church in Japan, a resident Bishop in order that the many opportunities now present may be developed.

While recognizing the necessity for the appointment of a Bishop for the District, your Committee does not deem it wise to increase the number of missionary Bishops in Japan but believes that the situation may be
met satisfactorily by the election of the Suffragan Bishop of North Tokyo to the Bishopric of the Tohoku. The Committee offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House proceed to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Tohoku.

The Chairman placed in nomination the name of the Bishop of South Dakota as Assessor. On motion of the Bishop of Chicago the nomination was confirmed by the House.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa a proposed Amendment to Article II., Section 4 of the Constitution was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 42.]

This Message was subsequently recalled by Message No. 54.

The Chairman called for nominations for the Office of Vice-Chairman.

Nominations were made and the Chairman appointed the following as Tellers:

The Bishop of Oklahoma, the Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland, the Bishop of New Hampshire and the Bishop of Kyoto.

The Bishops prepared their ballots and acting on the returns of the third ballot the Chairman declared the Bishop of Chicago elected Vice-Chairman of the House and asked the Bishop of Sacramento to escort the newly elected Vice-Chairman to the platform.

The Bishop of Michigan presented the Report of the Joint Commission to Study the Whole Problem of Divorce and offered the following resolution, which was adopted. (Appendix XIV.)

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Commission be continued with the understanding that it co-operate with other agencies, to secure a scientific study of the whole subject of marriage and divorce, including the study of the moral and religious factors; and that the Commission study and report to the next Convention first on the ecclesiastical and Canon law of this Church in relation to marriage, divorce, and the annulment of marriage, and for the purpose of making these special studies the Commission have the power to add to its number.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 41.]

On motion of the Bishop of California the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, in accepting the Report of the Commission on the Matter of Divorce, the House of Bishops puts on record its appreciation of the thorough scientific and fruitful study which the Commission has begun.
and urges the fullest co-operation of Church people in their further study.

On invitation of the Chairman the Bishop of West Missouri escorted the Dean of the General Theological Seminary to the platform who presented the Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary for the years 1926 to 1928. (Appendix IV.)

The Right Reverend Charles S. Reifsnider, D.D., presented his resignation as Suffragan Bishop of North Tokyo which was referred to the Committee on Resignations of Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the Report of the Committee to Consider Whether any Change is Desirable in the Method of Electing the Presiding Bishop of the Church was received and the recommendations referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

At noon the Vice-Chairman bade the House to prayer.

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont a proposed Amendment to Canon 19, Sec. VII. was referred to the Committee on Canons and also to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of New Jersey the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on the Ministry be requested to confer with the Bishops, the Deans of Theological Seminaries and the National Council to devise, if possible, a working plan for a selective draft of newly ordained men for the Domestic and Foreign Missionary field.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 46.]

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado a proposed Amendment to Article XI of the Constitution was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of Washington the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a Committee of this House be appointed to provide a suitable Memorial of Bishop Claggett in Washington Cathedral and that it be asked to take steps to accomplish this object before the next meeting of the General Convention.

The Chairman later appointed the Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of Bethlehem, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland as such Committee.

On motion of the Bishop of Washington the following resolution was adopted:
WHEREAS, An effort is being made by a group of patriotic citizens to restore the birthplace of George Washington at Wakefield, Va., be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention heartily commend the patriotic effort to restore the birthplace of George Washington at Wakefield, Va., and the setting apart of this historic estate to be preserved in perpetuity as an American shrine.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 45.]

The Bishop of Washington presented the Report of the Army and Navy Commission which was placed on the Calendar and the Commission continued with power to fill vacancies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 43.]

The Chairman appointed as Members of the Joint Commission on Rural Work, the Bishop Coadjutor of Vermont, the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio, the Bishop of Easton, the Bishop of Kansas and the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 40.]

The Bishop of New York for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution made the following reports:

REPORT No. 1. Your Committee begs respectfully to report that it has organized and has elected as Chairman the Bishop of Southern Ohio and as Secretary the Bishop of New York.

REPORT No. 2. Your Committee has considered the resolution referred to it which reads as follows:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that a Diocesan Bishop is eligible for election to become a Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor or Suffragan Bishop in any organized Diocese or Missionary District within the jurisdiction of this Church, and

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that a Coadjutor Bishop is eligible for election to become a Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor or Suffragan Bishop in any organized Diocese or Missionary District within the jurisdiction of this Church.

Your Committee begs to report that there is no specific Constitutional obstacle to any such proposed translation of either a Diocesan Bishop or a Bishop Coadjutor except the necessary consent of the House of Bishops to the resignation of a Bishop, but in the history of this Church no such translation has taken place.

On motion this resolution was referred back to the Committee for opinion and advice.

REPORT No. 3. Your Committee has considered that part of the Report of the Joint Committee on Provinces which was referred to it, proposing that the Resignations of Bishops shall be acted upon by the House of Bishops of the Province and begs to report that in the event of such action being taken it would require an amendment to Article II., Section 6, of the Constitution. Your Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The Committee was on motion discharged.
On motion of the Bishop of Central New York a resolution amending Article II., Section 6, of the Constitution, was represented and referred back to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 25.

Sixth Day of Session, Tuesday, October 16, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to consult and advise with the Board of Church Finance in the preparation of the Parochial Report and Syllabus, and present its findings to this Convention.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: The Rev. Mr. Rogers of Northern Indiana, the Rev. Dr. Glass of South Florida, and Messrs. Samuel F. Houston of Pennsylvania and Wm. A. Erwin of North Carolina.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message. The Chairman appointed on the part of this House, the Bishop of Massachusetts and the Bishop of Los Angeles.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 44.]

MESSAGE No. 28.

Seventh Day of Session, Wednesday, October 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 51 be amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"Section X. The Treasurer may appoint, subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, an Assistant Treasurer, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Treasurer and shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him by the Treasurer. He shall give a bond conditioned on the faithful performance of his duties. The amount thereof and the terms on which the same shall be given shall be subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, the expense of such bond to be paid by the General Convention."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 47.]

MESSAGE No. 29.

Seventh Day of Session, Wednesday, October 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 5, Section IV., be amended as follows:
In line 18 of the Canon after the words "in which he was ordained," add the following, "nor shall he officiate in any place or places save under the direction of the Bishop"; so that the section beginning with the word "Provided" shall read as follows:

"Provided, that no Deacon or Priest so ordained shall be transferred from the Diocese or District within the United States in which he was ordained, nor shall he officiate in any place or places save under the direction of the Bishop, until and unless the Board of Examining Chaplains shall certify that he has passed the examinations prescribed in Canon 4, Section 1."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 30. Seventh Day of Session, Wednesday, October 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following preambles and resolution:

WHEREAS, An incorporated group of patriotic citizens is working for the restoration of "Wakefield," the birthplace of George Washington; and

WHEREAS, This Church approves the policy of preserving for the inspiration of all men the places which enshrine the memories of our national heroes; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Convention records its approval of the work of the Wakefield National Memorial Association, and commends to the favorable consideration of all Church people the appeal of the Association for co-operation and support.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 48.]

MESSAGE No. 31. Seventh Day of Session, Wednesday, October 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 34, recommending that the Joint Commission on Architecture and the Allied Arts be continued.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House took a recess and resumed its session at 2:30 P.M.

The Order of the Day was called for.

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the House went into Executive Session for the nominations of Missionary Bishops.

The House proceeded to the nomination of Missionary Bishops for the Missionary District of Wyoming, the Missionary District of Nevada, the Missionary District of Tohoku and the Missionary District of Southern Brazil.

The Roll was called in reverse order and nominations were made.
On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the House continued in Executive Session during the reading of the Pastoral Letter.

The Bishop of California for the Committee on the Pastoral Letter presented its report reading the letter which it had prepared.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago the Report of the Committee with amendments was adopted as the Pastoral Letter of the House of Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis the House rose from Executive Session.

On motion of the Suffragan Bishop of Chicago the Corporate Communion of the House was postponed from St. Luke's Day to a later date to be announced.

On motion of Bishop Thomas the Report of the Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry was received and placed on the Calendar.

On motion of the Bishop of Los Angeles the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The second Sunday in November, designated by General Convention as Annual Sailor's Day, on which day the Seamen's Church Institute of America by its annual message to the Clergy of the Church asks that the work of the Church among seamen being carried on by the Seamen's Church Institute of America be presented to their people, conflicts with Building Fund Sunday, on which day the American Church Building Fund makes its annual appeal to our people for financial support, and

WHEREAS, The second Sunday in November has come to be known throughout the United States as Armistice Sunday, and is observed in many of our Parishes for the purpose of promulgating the spirit of peace among nations, and

WHEREAS, In some sections of our country the second Sunday in November has come to be known as Red Cross Sunday, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the date of Annual Sailors' Day be changed from the second Sunday in November to the fourth Sunday in October and the four Sunday in October be designated as Annual Sailors' Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 51.]

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to send an answer of appreciation to the interesting and kindly letter from the Reverend S. Parkes Cadman, D.D., President of the Federal Council of Churches, expressing our gratitude for the privilege of working with the Federal Council on special terms rather than as a constituent member.
On motion of the Bishop of Western New York the following resolution was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That it be recommended that an appropriation of the sum of $5,000 a year for the triennium be made toward the expenses of the Federal Council, the recommendation to be referred to the Budget Committee.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 49.]

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee on Evangelism and the Committee on Eastern Churches of the Federal Council of Churches be added to those with which the National Council shall co-operate.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 50.]

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the election of Missionary Bishops was made the Order of the Day for Friday morning at ten o'clock at the Church of the Epiphany.

The Bishop of Pittsburgh presented the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Resignation of Bishops has considered the resignation of the Right Reverend Charles S. Reifsnider, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of North Tokyo.

The Committee finds that the resignation has not been offered upon either of the constitutional grounds of advanced age or of bodily infirmity, and respectfully recommends that the resignation be not accepted.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

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EIGHTH DAY

THURSDAY, October 18, 1928.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of Arizona reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Chairman reported upon the condition of the Bishop of Honolulu and offered special prayers.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont Message No. 42, of this House sent yesterday by mistake to the House of Deputies, was recalled.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 52.]
The Bishop of Georgia for the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following suggested Order for the Day, which was adopted:

1. The Regular Order to 11:00 A.M.
3. Commission on Lectionary.
4. Joint Commission on Book of Common Prayer
   (a) Thirty-nine Articles.
   (b) Fifth Report.
   (c) Messages from House of Deputies.
5. Report Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry.
6. 2:30 P.M. Committee on Nominations of Missionary Bishops.

The Bishop of Georgia reported the organization of the Court of Trial of a Bishop with the Bishop of Georgia as President.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 32. Seventh Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 33, recommending that the Joint Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the Present Tasks of the Church be continued for the special purpose of carrying forward the study and discussion of the Survey of Women Workers in the Church prepared for the Woman's Auxiliary in 1923 and recommending that this Convention heartily approves the Retiring Fund for Deaconesses.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 33. Seventh Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 32, recommending that the General Convention gives its approval to the movement to recognize the anniversary of the signing of Magna Charta, and the observance of the anniversary on the third Sunday in June, wherever possible.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Message No. 38, Prayer Book.

MESSAGE No. 34. Seventh Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received the nomination in its Message No. 29, and has elected to be Historiographer during the next triennium the Rev. E. Clowes Chorley, D.D., of the Diocese of New York.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
MESSAGE No. 35.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received the nomination in its Message No. 27, and has elected to be Recorder during the next triennium the Rev. William S. Slack of Louisiana.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 36.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received the nomination in its Message No. 28, and has elected to be Registrar during the next triennium, the Rev. Charles L. Pardee, D.D., of New York.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 37.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention express their grateful appreciation to the generous member of this Church, who is defraying the expense of the publication of the Standard Book.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 53.]

The Bishop of Erie presented the Report of the World Conference on Narcotic Education which was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

The Bishop of West Texas presented a resolution relative to the House meeting each year except in the year of the General Convention which was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Albany the following resolutions were adopted unanimously by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops extends its hearty fraternal felicitations and good wishes to the Right Reverend James M. Maxon, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee on this occasion of the sixth anniversary of his Consecration to the Episcopate.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops extends its hearty fraternal greetings and good wishes to the Right Reverend Thomas F. Davies, D.D., Bishop of Western Massachusetts on the occasion of the nineteenth anniversary of his Consecration to the Episcopate.

The Bishop of Sacramento reported the organization of the Committee on Consecration of Bishops with the Bishop of Sacramento as Chairman and the Bishop of Eastern Oregon as Secretary.
The Bishop of Georgia requested the Special Committee on a Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop to report to the House this afternoon.

On motion of the Bishop of Tennessee a resolution on the subject of separation of Church and State was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

On motion of the Bishop of East Carolina the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Missionary District of Porto Rico and the Diocese of South Florida were visited by a severe tropical hurricane during last September, resulting in the total destruction of many churches, rectories and parish houses, and serious damage to many others, including St. Luke's Hospital, Ponce, Porto Rico, amounting to losses totaling about $200,000,

And, WHEREAS, There is no emergency or other fund at the disposal of the National Council from which aid can be supplied for the work of rebuilding and rehabilitating the Church's work in the said hurricane areas,

And, WHEREAS, The General Convention has been assured that the financial condition of our Church people in the areas aforesaid precludes the possibility of their being able to restore the damage caused by the hurricane,

Therefore, be it Resolved, by the House of Bishops, the House of Deputies concurring, That the 24th Sunday after Trinity, November 18, 1928, be designated as "Porto Rico-South Florida Re-building Day," and that parochial authorities be requested to take an offering on that day for the purpose of raising the money necessary for the rebuilding of the Church's work in the areas aforesaid, said offering to be sent to the Treasurer of the National Council for proportionate distribution between Porto Rico and South Florida; and that the National Council be requested to give this appeal the necessary publicity.

Be it further Resolved, That all funds received as a result of this offering over and above the amounts required by Porto Rico and South Florida be kept as an Emergency Relief Fund by the Treasurer of the National Council to be disbursed at the discretion of the Council.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 54.]

On motion of the Bishop of Washington a resolution relative to the Church Temperance Society was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

On motion of the Bishop of Southwestern Virginia the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Commission of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen be appointed to take under sympathetic consideration the whole question relating to the desirability of a change in or the dissolution of the Pastoral Relation, together with the question respecting the many unemployed Clergy who are urgently desirous of obtaining parochial or missionary work.
The Chairman appointed on the part of this House, the Bishop of South Western Virginia, the Bishop of Pittsburgh, and the Bishop of Western Nebraska.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 55.]

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Evangelism be authorized to select and appoint a group of seventy Clergy who shall be known as Associate Missioners and who shall be available for preaching missions as called upon and that such Associate Missioners shall on accepting the appointment agree to give not less than two weeks, Sundays included, to the service of the Church in this capacity.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 56.]

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the Order of the Day was postponed.

The House at this point considered Prayer Book Revision.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 39. Seventh Day of Session, Wednesday, October 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary of this House with that of the House of Bishops be constituted as a Joint Commission empowered and instructed to sit during the interim of the meetings of the General Convention, and to prepare a report to be presented to the General Convention.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 59.]

MESSAGE No. 41. Seventh Day of Session, Wednesday, October 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 18, amending Canon 36, Section I., by the insertion after the words "deprived of" the words "the right to exercise."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The Bishop of Vermont reported for the Committee on Canons in relation to the proposed revision of Canon 34.

At noon the Chairman bade the House to prayer.

On motion of the Bishop of California the following resolutions were adopted:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the consideration of that section of the Report of the Joint Commission on Revision of Judicial Procedure dealing with a final Court of Appeal be postponed until the next General Convention.

Resolved, That the Joint Commission be continued and requested to make public its report at least a year before the meeting of the next General Convention.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 68.]

The House took a recess and at 2:30 P.M. resumed its session.

The Bishop of Louisiana for the Special Committee on a Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop made the following report:

REPORT No. 1. The Special Committee to whom was referred the subject of the election of a Bishop Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop as presented in a resolution of the National Council respectfully report that they have organized with the Bishop of Louisiana as Chairman and the Bishop of Western Michigan as Secretary.

The Committee has held three meetings, and has had a conference with the Presiding Bishop. They are of the opinion that the subject involving as the resolution does, oversight over the American Churches in Europe, the Chaplains of the Army and Navy and possibly other assigned duties, is of such importance and involves so many possible alterations in the Canons and possibly even in the Constitution and is also presented from so many different angles that more careful study should be given to it before action of the General Convention be asked. They therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint a Committee to pursue this investigation and to confer with the Presiding Bishop and the National Council, with direction to report to the House of Bishops at the next session of the General Convention.

The above resolution was adopted.

Bishop Thomas presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry and introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Joint Commission of the General Convention consisting of 5 Bishops, 5 Presbyters and 5 Laymen be appointed to examine into the whole matter of Church work in our universities and colleges; to effect a conference with educational representatives possibly similar to the Princeton Conference, and to determine, if may be, upon a program for class room and campus; and to make report with recommendations to the next General Convention.

The Bishop of Delaware offered as a substitute the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the subject matter of Resolution No. 1, contained in the Report of the Joint Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry be referred to the Commission on College Work of the Department of Religious Education of the National Council.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 66.]
On motion of Bishop Thomas the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolution No. 4.
Resolved, That the Commission on Ministry of the Department of Religious Education be requested to make special inquiry during the next Triennium into the practical working of Canon 5 with a view of ascertaining if possible whether it has resulted in a lowering of standards, whether the safeguards it carries are being observed, and what, if anything, can be done to effect its aim.

Resolution No. 5.
Resolved, That a Joint Commission of the General Convention consisting of 3 Bishops, 3 Presbyters and 3 Laymen be appointed, with whom there shall be associated one Bishop, one Presbyter, and one Layman, elected by each Province for the consideration of the whole subject of Distribution of the Ministry, to whom the recommendations on the subject in this report shall be referred, said Joint Commission to make report with recommendations to the next General Convention.

The Chairman appointed on the part of this House Bishop N. S. Thomas, the Bishop of Olympia and the Bishop of West Texas.

Resolution No. 6.
Resolved, That the recommendations in this report relating to religion in the home, be referred to the Department of Religious Education of the National Council with authorization to prepare and set forth such aids to worship in the home, and such lists of books and monographs for family reading as in their judgment will promote family devotion.

Resolution No. 2.
Resolved, That the General Convention urge upon the Clergy of the Church the need of making as a major objective of endeavor, the securing of fit persons to serve in the Sacred Ministry of the Church.

Resolution No. 3.
Resolved, That the attention of the Church be called to the claims of our Church Colleges as competent and successful training schools for students contemplating the Ministry.

Resolution No. 7.
Resolved, That the recommendations in this report relating to Theological Training be referred to the Commission on the Ministry of the Department of Religious Education for further study and report.

Resolution No. 8.
Resolved, That this Commission be discharged from further consideration of its commitments.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 66.]

The House at this point considered Prayer Book Revision.

The Order of the Day was called for to hear the Report of the Committee on Nominations of Missionary Bishops.

The House went into Executive Session.
Bishop Atwood presented the Report of the Committee on Nominations of Missionary Bishops.

In the course of the Executive Session the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution was called upon to report its recommendations on the matter of the Translation of Bishops. The Bishop of New York for that Committee made the following report:

Report No. 1. In reference to the question submitted to it as to the translation of Bishops your Committee reports that there is no specific constitutional obstacle to any such proposed translation of either a Diocesan Bishop or a Bishop Coadjutor, except the necessary consent of the House of Bishops to the resignation of a Bishop but in the judgment of your Committee any departure from the long and uniform tradition and practice in this American Church in this matter would be highly inadvisable.

The Bishop of Southern Ohio on behalf of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that a Diocesan Bishop is eligible for election to become a Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor or Suffragan Bishop in any organized Diocese or Missionary District within the jurisdiction of this Church.

The Bishop of Chicago offered the following Amendment which was adopted:

But in view of the long and uniform tradition and practice in this American Church such a translation is highly inadvisable.

On motion of Bishop Touret the original motion as amended was laid on the table.

The hour of adjournment having arrived, on motion of the Bishop of Georgia the House continued its session until six o'clock limiting speeches to three minutes.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned to meet in the Church of the Epiphany tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

NINTH DAY
FRIDAY, October 19, 1928.

The Bishops assembled in Epiphany Church at 10 o'clock. The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Presiding Bishop assisted by the Assessor and the Vice-Chairman, the Bishop of Easton and the Reverend Dr. Morris of Epiphany Church.
Divine Service being ended the House met in the Church, the Presiding Bishop in the Chair. A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Idaho, and the Chairman bade the House to Prayer, using the form prescribed in the Rules of Order.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland and the Bishop of Oklahoma having been appointed Tellers the House proceeded to elect a Bishop for the Missionary District of Wyoming.

The Bishops deposited their ballots, and the Rev. George Herbert Thomas, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Chicago, was found on the third ballot to have received a majority of votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies, Bishop of the Missionary District of Wyoming.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Chicago and the Bishop of New Hampshire a Committee to inform the Bishop-elect of his selection.

The Bishop of Kyoto and the Bishop of New Hampshire having been appointed Tellers the House proceeded to elect a Bishop for the Missionary District of Southern Brazil.

The Bishops deposited their ballots, and the Right Reverend William Matthews Merrick Thomas, Suffragan Bishop of Southern Brazil was found on the first ballot to have received a majority of votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies, Bishop of the Missionary District of Southern Brazil.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Long Island and the Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland a Committee to inform the Bishop-elect of his selection.

At noon the Chairman bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland and the Bishop of Oklahoma having been appointed Tellers, the House proceeded to elect a Bishop for the Missionary District of Nevada.

The Bishops deposited their ballots and the Rev. Frederick Deane Goodwin, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Virginia, was found on the third ballot to have received a majority of votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies, Bishop of the Missionary District of Nevada.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Easton and the Bishop of Southwestern Virginia to inform the Bishop-elect of his selection.
The Bishop of Arizona and the Bishop of Mexico having been appointed Tellers the House proceeded to elect a Bishop for the Missionary District of Tohoku.

The Bishops deposited their ballots and the Rev. Norman S. Binsted, a Presbyter of the Missionary District of North Tokyo was found on the first ballot to have received a majority of votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies, Bishop of the Missionary District of Tohoku.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Kyoto and the Bishop of Virginia a Committee to inform the Bishop-elect of his selection.

The Bishops signed the testimonials of the Bishops-elect.

The Bishop of Central New York read a draft of a proposed letter from the House of Bishops to the Clergy concerning the completion of the Revision of the Book of Common Prayer, and, on his motion it was referred to a Committee of three of the older Bishops.

The Chairman appointed as such Committee, the Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishop of Vermont and the Bishop of Tennessee.

At 1:30 o'clock the House took a recess to meet at 2:30 P.M. in the hall of the House.

The House resumed its session at the Hotel Willard at 2:30 P.M.

The Vice-Chairman took the Chair. The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and, after correction, approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the action of this House appointing a Joint Commission on the General Theological Seminary was reconsidered.

On motion of the Bishop of New Jersey the resolution adopted yesterday appointing a Joint Commission on the General Theological Seminary was expunged from the Minutes.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

**MESSAGE No. 46.**

_Eighth Day of Session._

_Thursday, October 18, 1928._

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 43, recommending that the Army and Navy Commission be continued with power to fill vacancies.

Attest: _Carroll M. Davis, Secretary._
MESSAGE No. 47.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 46, recommending that the Commission on the Ministry be requested to confer with the Bishops, the Deans of Theological Seminaries and the National Council to devise a working plan for a selective draft of newly ordained men for our Missionary Fields.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 48.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 51, recommending that the date of Annual Sailors' Day be changed from the second Sunday in November to the fourth Sunday in October, and to be designated as Annual Sailors' Day.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 49.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 52, recalling Message No. 42 from the House of Bishops proposing an amendment to Article II., Sec. 4, of the Constitution, and its Message No. 42 is attached hereto.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 53.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 35, commending the service of the American Bible Society to the National Council as part of the Work of the Church, and that upon the invitation of the American Bible Society, the Presiding Bishop again appoint a representative of this Church as a member of the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 59.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 41, recommending that the Joint Commission to Study the Whole Problem of Divorce be continued with the understanding that it co-operate with other agencies to secure a scientific study of the whole subject of marriage and divorce, and report its findings to the next General Convention.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 60.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 54, amended to read as follows:
Resolved, That on the 24th Sunday after Trinity, November 18, 1928, all parochial authorities be requested to take an offering on that day for the purpose of raising the money necessary to the rebuilding of the Church's work in Porto Rico and South Florida, said offering to be sent to the Treasurer of the National Council for proportionate distribution between Porto Rico and South Florida; and that the National Council be requested to give this appeal the necessary publicity.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 61.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 56, recommending that the Commission on Evangelism be authorized to select and appoint a group of seventy Clergy, to be known as Associate Missioners, and to be available for preaching missions.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 63.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 39, recommending that the matter of a permanent location of the headquarters of the National Council be referred to a Commission.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House, the Rev. Mr. McGann of Western Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Kammerer of Pittsburgh, the Rev. Dr. Byrer of Southern Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Davidson of Los Angeles, the Rev. Mr. Way of Fond du Lac, and Messrs. Randall of Maryland, Crocker of California, Gardiner of Maine, Whaley of South Carolina and Butler of Texas.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 40.  
Seventh Day of Session,  
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Custodian of the Archives be and hereby is authorized to supply Diocesan Journals, of which he has duplicates, to Dioceses, Missionary Districts and State Historical Societies desiring them, and to destroy those remaining for which there is no request.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 71.]

MESSAGE No. 42.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a special Joint Session of the two Houses be held on Monday, October 22nd, from ten to one P.M. and from 2:30 to five P.M. to consider the following matters:

1. Report on Church Unity by the Commission on Faith and Order.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes be made in Canon 5:

1. Strike out Sec. I. of Canon 5, and substitute the following:

"Sec. I. In special cases the requirements of the Normal Standard of Learning may be modified as hereinafter provided. And in none of these special cases shall the Candidate who has successfully passed the examinations herein prescribed for the Diaconate be required to take a further examination before his advancement to the Priesthood; Provided, however, that the Board of Examining Chaplains may, at their discretion, and upon due notice given to the Candidate, require a supplementary examination before he shall be ordered Priest; and Provided further, that in every case the Deacon before he be ordered Priest, shall be examined by the Bishop and two Presbyters, in the office and work of a Priest, and as to his ability to serve the Church in that Order of the Ministry."

2. Amend Canon 5, Sec. II., by inserting after the word "examination" in line five, these words:

"Save as prescribed in Sec. I. of this Canon."

The House concurred in the foregoing Message with the exception of the words "from ten to one P.M. and".

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 69.]

MESSAGE No. 58.

Eighth Day of Session, Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee of three—one Bishop, one Presbyter and one Layman—be appointed to arrange a program for the Joint Session on Monday, October 22nd, and that there be appointed from this House the Rev. Mr. Hobson of Western Massachusetts and Mr. Zabriskie of New York as members of such Committee.

Attest:  CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message and the Vice-Chairman appointed as members of the Committee from this House the Bishop of Washington.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 69.]

MESSAGE No. 58.

Eighth Day of Session, Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes be made in Canon 5:

1. Strike out Sec. I. of Canon 5, and substitute the following:

"Sec. I. In special cases the requirements of the Normal Standard of Learning may be modified as hereinafter provided. And in none of these special cases shall the Candidate who has successfully passed the examinations herein prescribed for the Diaconate be required to take a further examination before his advancement to the Priesthood; Provided, however, that the Board of Examining Chaplains may, at their discretion, and upon due notice given to the Candidate, require a supplementary examination before he shall be ordered Priest; and Provided further, that in every case the Deacon before he be ordered Priest, shall be examined by the Bishop and two Presbyters, in the office and work of a Priest, and as to his ability to serve the Church in that Order of the Ministry."

2. Amend Canon 5, Sec. II., by inserting after the word "examination" in line five, these words:

"Save as prescribed in Sec. I. of this Canon."
3. Amend Canon 5, Sec. III., by inserting after the word "examination" in line five, these words:
"Save as prescribed in Sec. I. of this Canon."
4. Amend Canon 5, Sec. IV., by inserting after the word "examination" in line thirteen of page 34, these words:
"Save as prescribed in Sec. I. of this Canon."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 44.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 51, Section IV., [i.], be amended by the addition after the words "List of Ordinations" the following:

"And present at each triennial session of the General Convention a report showing all Ordinations, Suspensions, Depositions and Restorations that have taken place in the three calendar years next preceding the holding of the Convention."

Strike out all that follows in said sub-section, so that the entire sub-section shall read:

"Section IV., [i.]. The House of Deputies, upon nomination of the House of Bishops, shall elect a Recorder, whose duty it shall be to continue the List of Ordinations and present at each triennial session of the General Convention a report showing all Ordinations, Suspensions, Depositions, and Restorations that have taken place in the three calendar years next preceding the holding of the Convention."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 45.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes be made in Canon 7:

After Section III. insert the following as a new section:

"Section IV. The Standing Committee or Council of Advice shall not recommend a Candidate to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate until there has been presented a certificate from a physician, appointed by the Bishop, given after an examination made within two months of the recommendation, covering the Candidate's physical, mental and nervous condition."

Correct Section IV. to read "Section V."
Correct Section V. to read "Section VI."
Correct Section VI. to read "Section VII."
Correct Section VII. to read "Section VIII."
Correct Section VIII. to read "Section IX."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The foregoing Messages, Nos. 43, 44 and 45, were referred to the Committee on Canons.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, In this Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Revision of the Prayer Book, begun fifteen years ago will be completed, and that the completion of this work, which has occupied the attention of the whole Church for so long a period and is the result of the labors of members of this Church eminent in theology and liturgics, is an epoch making event in its history,

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring. That upon the completion of Prayer Book Revision by the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, a suitable Service of Thanksgiving and Praise be arranged by the President of this House in consultation with the President of the House of Bishops, which the members of both Houses shall attend, so that there may be public recognition of this happy conclusion of a difficult and important work.

Resolved further, the House of Bishops concurring, That the thanks of the General Convention be tendered the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer on the accomplishment of their great work, and that we earnestly beseech Almighty God to accompany with His blessing every endeavor for promulgating this book to mankind in the clearest, plainest, most affecting and majestic manner, for the sake of Jesus Christ, our blessed Lord and Saviour.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 72.]

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the Consecration of the Reverend Albert Sidney Thomas to be Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

That it is in hearty sympathy with the aim and purpose of providing books of commendation blanks, calling attention to the fact that the transfer of Communicants is required by Canon law and commendation blanks are printed by various church publishing houses,

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this whole matter be referred to the National Council for its consideration.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House did not concur in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 73.]
Eighth Day of Session.
Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen be appointed for the purpose of inquiring into the status of King Theological Hall which was instituted as the result of the action of the General Convention in 1886, and to report to the National Council what action, if any, should be taken to secure the resumption of the work of said Hall in the educating of students for the Ministry; and

Be it further Resolved, That the National Council shall have power to put into effect the recommendations of the Joint Commission with such additions or modifications as may appear fit.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:
The Rev. Dr. Patton of Virginia, the Rev. Mr. Gravatt of Southwestern Virginia, Mr. Browne of Washington and Dr. Franklin of New York.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Chairman appointed as members on the part of this House the Bishop of Southern Virginia and the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 74.]

Eighth Day of Session.
Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting of one Bishop, one Presbyter and one Layman be appointed to take order for the placing of an appropriate wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington Cemetery on behalf of the General Convention of 1928 on the occasion of the pilgrimage to Arlington next Saturday.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:
The Rev. Dr. Silver of New York and Mr. Parker of Massachusetts.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Vice-Chairman appointed as member of the Committee from this House the Bishop of Western Michigan.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 75.]

Eighth Day of Session.
Thursday, October 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen to nominate Trustees of the Church Pension Fund.
The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:
The Rev. Mr. Gravatt of Southwestern Virginia, the Rev. Mr. Hobson of Western Massachusetts, the Rev. Mr. Llwyd of Oklahoma, and Messrs. Shackelford of Albany, Flick of Nevada and Barbour of Michigan.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Vice-Chairman appointed as members from this House, the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Western Massachusetts and the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 76.]

MESSAGE No. 57.
Seventh Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following preambles and resolutions:

WHEREAS, In April, 1928, after successfully completing their course of training at the Church Army Centre in Providence, Rhode Island, five Laymen were commissioned as Captains in the Church Army of the United States, and,

WHEREAS, The beginning of a Church Army in this country was made possible through the generous co-operation of the Church Army in Great Britain under the leadership of its Founder, Prebendary Carlile,

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention records its gratitude to the Church Army in Great Britain and its Founder, Prebendary Carlile, for their valued and generous leadership in promoting this practical field of service for Laymen of our Church, and

Be it further Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention commends the Church Army in the United States and its helpful activities to the Church throughout the country.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 77.]

MESSAGE No. 62.
Eighth Day of Session, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, be appointed to consider and report on the question of the renovation and custody of the Archives of the General Convention.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:
The Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York, the Rev. Dr. Goodwin of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Mr. Pennington of Florida, and Messrs. Wickersham of New York, Mansfield of Connecticut and Laflin of Milwaukee.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
The Chairman appointed as members of this Committee on the part of this House, the Bishop of Rhode Island, the Bishop Coadjutor of Albany and the Bishop of Marquette.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 79.]

The Bishop of Minnesota for the Committee on the Despatch of Business presented the following report, which was adopted:

Regular Order until 5 P.M.
Proposed Amendments to Canons 27 to 34 and 40 and 51.

On motion of the Bishop of Hankow the following resolution was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That in the Budget for 1929-31 there be an appropriation of $5,000 per year to American Bible Society in recognition of their aid to our missionary work for the past fifty years, and the work they are continuing to do.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa a resolution on the revision of Canon 15, Sec. 1, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa a resolution on the revision of Article I., Sec. 2, of the Constitution was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of Florida, acting for the Coadjutor of South Florida, a resolution in relation to Non-parochial Clergy was referred to the Special Committee to be appointed.

On motion of the Bishop of Kansas a resolution relative to transferring Clergy to the Personnel Bureau of the National Council was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Oregon reporting for the Committee on Domestic Missions the matter of Tentative Missionary Districts was referred to a Special Committee to be appointed.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia presented the following resolution and explanation, which resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen be appointed to represent the General Convention in conferring with Committees of the American Church Institute for Negroes, the Trustees of the Bishop Payne Divinity School and the Trustees of St. Augustine's College, as to the future disposition and policies of the Bishop Payne Divinity School for the training of negro candidates for the Holy Ministry.

This resolution is presented at the request of a Committee of Twelve appointed by the Presiding Bishop as President of the American Church Institute for Negroes, and it is presented for the following reasons:

(1) While located in the Diocese of Southern Virginia it is the only existing seminary of the Church dedicated to the training of negroes for ministry to their people, and as such has a claim upon the whole Church.
(2) The inadequacy and partial dilapidation of the present buildings and equipment, together with the development of unfavorable social and moral conditions in the immediate vicinity of the school have raised questions and produced problems for which the American Church Institute and the Trustees of the school have together earnestly and prayerfully sought some solution.

(3) The suggestion has been made that a removal to the neighborhood or perhaps to the (actual) grounds of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina, together with a wider distribution of the membership of the Board of Trustees might furnish a partial solution of these problems.

It is to secure recognition of the importance of this work and the cooperation and counsel of General Convention that the appointment of this Committee is sought.

The Chairman appointed as members of this Joint Committee on the part of this House, the Bishop of Mississippi and the Bishop of Missouri.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 81.]

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont a resolution on the translation of Bishops was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

The Bishop of New York presented Report No. 5 for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution. The proposed amendment to Article I., Sec. 3, of the Constitution was referred back to the Committee.

The same Bishop for the same Committee made the following report:

REPORT No. 6. In regard to the proposed amendment to Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution to provide that the Presiding Bishop "shall be chosen by the concurrent vote of a majority of all the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops and a majority of all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts entitled to vote in the House of Deputies" your Committee reports unanimously that it does not recommend the proposed amendment.

On motion the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 64. Ninth Day of Session.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received the Report of the Committee appointed by the General Convention of 1925 to consider whether any change is desirable in the method of electing the Presiding Bishop of the Church as follows:

They have held two meetings and appointed the Bishop of Vermont their Chairman and Mr. Zabriskie their Secretary.
They have considered the subject referred to them, and they find and report that it is desirable that a change be made in the method of electing the Presiding Bishop of the Church.

To that end they recommend

(a) That Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution be amended by striking out from paragraph second all that follows the word "shall" in the seventh line thereof, and inserting these words instead thereof "unless a meeting of the General Convention is to be held within six months, without delay call a meeting of the House of Bishops to assemble within two months to elect a Presiding Bishop of the Church, who shall serve until the next General Convention, when a Presiding Bishop shall be elected according to the method hereinbefore provided."

(b) They further recommend that in Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution, the second sentence thereof be struck out, and the period at the end of the first sentence be change to a comma, and these words be inserted "who shall be a Bishop having jurisdiction within the United States, and shall be chosen by the concurrent vote of a majority of all the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops and a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by Orders according to Section 4 of Article I. of the Constitution."

(c) They recommend that Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution be amended so that the third sentence thereof shall read as follows: "His term and tenure of office and duties, and particulars of his election not inconsistent with the preceding provisions, shall be prescribed by the Canons of the General Convention."

Should the Constitution be amended in accordance with these recommendations, your Committee further recommend that thereafter it be provided by Canon in substance that when a Presiding Bishop is to be elected, the House of Bishops appoint six Bishops, and the House of Deputies appoint three Presbyters and three Laymen members of the House, who shall nominate to the two Houses three Bishops whom they shall propose as suitable to be elected Presiding Bishop, without prejudice however, to other nominations.

Your Committee further report that four of their members favor the recommendations of this report, and three of their number are opposed to them, and that two of their number took no part.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the above recommendations be adopted.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the original Report of the Special Committee and the proposed Amendments to the Constitution as shown on page 669 of the Journal of 1925 and the matter of the foregoing Message No. 64, was made the Order of the Day for Monday, October 22nd, at 11 A.M.

On motion of the Bishop of New York the proposed amendment to Canon 18, Sec. VII. with an addition suggested by the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of New York for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution made the following report, which was accepted:
REPORT No. 8. In regard to the proposed amendment of Article II., Section 4, of the Constitution by striking out the word "without" in line three and substituting the word "with" thus giving a vote as well as a seat to Suffragan Bishops, your Committee does not recommend this proposed amendment to the Constitution.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa offered as a substitute the original motion which was lost.

The Bishop of Sacramento for the Joint Committee on the place of meeting of the next General Convention presented the following report, which was adopted:

The Joint Committee, appointed to recommend a place of meeting of the next General Convention, reports that it has received urgent invitations from the Diocese of Minnesota to meet in the City of Minneapolis, and from the Diocese of Colorado to meet in the City of Denver.

The Committee has been impressed by the generous provision made by both these Dioceses and cities and the people of their respective communities, and the warm welcome assured by both of them to the next General Convention. It has considered all questions of climate, altitude, strength of the Church, hotel accommodations, convention halls and other matters.

It has finally decided after several hearings and meetings, that in view of the fact that the General Convention has never before met in the region of the Rocky Mountains it should accept the invitation of the Bishop and Diocese of Colorado.

The Committee therefore has unanimously adopted the following recommendation:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the next General Convention meet in the City of Denver, Colorado, on the Wednesday after the first Sunday in October, 1931.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 80.]

The Vice-Chairman announced the appointment of the following Committee:

Committee on Tentative Missionary Districts: the Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina, the Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida and the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi.

The Vice-Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned until ten o'clock tomorrow morning.

TENTH DAY

SATURDAY, October 20, 1928.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of Sacramento reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Chairman appointed the following Committee:

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 89.]

The Chairman read to the House a clipping from the Baltimore Sun which gave detailed information concerning the proceedings of Thursday's Executive Session, and commented on the carelessness with which some members of the House must have disregarded the confidences of the Executive Session.

The Bishop of Minnesota for the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the Calendar for the day as follows, which was adopted:

1. Regular Order until 11:30 A.M.
2. Proposed Amendments to Canons 27 to 34 and 40 and 51.

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky the Report of the Committee on Rules of Order made the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee on Rules of Order begs leave to report on the resolution of the Bishop of West Texas which was referred to this Committee.

Resolved, That a new Rule of Order to be numbered XII. under Standing Orders, be added to the Rules of Order of this House of Bishops and to read as follows:

It is the judgment of this House that a meeting of the House of Bishops be held each year except in the year when General Convention meets, for the purpose of considering such business as may come before it, and also for the purpose of conference.

On motion of the Bishop of New Jersey the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a Special Committee of three Bishops be appointed to consider the bearing of Section 2 of Article I. of the Constitution as to the status of any Bishop who, having had a seat and vote in the House of Bishops, may have resigned his jurisdiction in order to accept any office created by the General Convention, and be it further

Resolved, That such Committee be asked to secure the services and advice of legal counsel, and that any member of this House may have the privilege of appearing and being heard by said Committee either in person or by counsel.

The Chairman appointed as members of this Committee: the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Southern Ohio and Bishop Lawrence.

The Bishop of Vermont for the Committee on Canons made the following reports:

Report No. 6. The Committee having considered the amendment to Canon 24, Section I., recommends the adoption of the amendment, sub-
stituting for the last sentence of the section the following: "A Deaconess who marries shall not continue to exercise her office."

The recommendation was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 63.]

REPORT No. 9. The Committee having considered the amendment to Canon 18, Section VII., [v.], referred to them, recommends the adoption of the amendment with an additional sentence so that the clause shall read:

"[v.] In case of the acceptance of the resignation of a Missionary Bishop for cause of age or disability he shall receive from the National Council a retiring allowance not less than one-half of his salary at date of retirement, less any grant received from the Church Pension Fund, and less any official income he may receive from an ecclesiastical position which he is allowed to accept."

Which was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 67.]

REPORT No. 10. The Committee having considered the proposed amendment of Canon 15, Section I., to strike out in lines 4 and 5 the words "asking for the assistance of a Suffragan" and inserting the words "who shall nominate the Suffragan subject to approval and election by the Convention of the Diocese" does not recommend its adoption as unnecessary and undesirable and an infringement on the rights of the Presbyters.

The negative report of the Committee was adopted.

REPORT No. 11. The Committee recommends the amendment, the House of Deputies concurring, of Canon 61, by a new clause [iv.] under Section VIII. The Bishops of the Continental Missionary Districts and the Bishops of Dioceses receiving aid through the National Council shall form a permanent organization under the leadership of the Presiding Bishop. The purpose of this organization shall be the study and evaluation of the missionary work in their respective Dioceses and Districts, the preparing and presenting of a budget to the National Council for action thereon by the General Convention and to deal with other questions of common interest. This body shall meet at least once each year and be subject to the call of the Presiding Bishop.

Which was not adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the Order of the Day was postponed and the House continued under the Order of Receiving Reports.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri for the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, a Memorial from the Daughters of the King was referred to the Commission on Evangelism.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri the Committee on Memorials and Petitions was discharged from further consideration of the Petition on the Thirty-nine Articles.
On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, letters to the Secretary from the Province of the Mid-west and the Province of New York and New Jersey were referred back to the Secretary of the House.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Rural Work be empowered to add to its number.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 86.]

The Bishop of Atlanta for the Committee on the Prayer Book made the following report:

Report No. 1. The Committee on the Prayer Book reports that it has organized with the Bishop of Louisiana as Chairman and the Bishop of Atlanta as Secretary.

The Committee has had referred to it the "Office for the Making of Deaconesses" and recommends the following changes.

1. The Prayer to be said by the Bishop on page 2 to read as follows:
   "O, Eternal God, look, we beseech Thee, upon these Thy handmaidens, and grant to them the help and guidance of the Holy Spirit, that they may worthily accomplish the work committed unto them, to Thy glory and the praise of Thy son, Jesus Christ, to Whom with Thee, and the same Spirit, be glory and worship, world without end." Amen.

2. The examination and laying-on-of-hands to follow the Epistle.

3. The Rubric on page 3 to read "Here may be sung a hymn."

The Committee has held a conference with the Commission on Deaconesses and these changes are acceptable to that Commission. We offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the office for the Making of Deaconesses as presented by the Commission on Deaconesses be amended by the Committee of the House on the Prayer Book, and be set forth for general use in the Church at the discretion of each Bishop in his Diocese.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri the words "in the Church of God committed unto thee" were stricken out of the sentence of commission of authority in the office.

The recommendation was adopted.

The Bishop of Alabama for the Evaluation Committee presented as follows its report on the Cause and Prevention of Communicant Loss:

The Evaluation Committee appointed by the General Convention of 1925 points warningly to "the serious loss to the Church through leakage." In Section 54 it states, "Every year from 20,000 to 40,000 communicants are lost by removal." On its recommendation, the National Council by resolution "commends to the Bishops of the Church this whole problem, in the hope that they may give this their earnest and careful consideration and take such action as may in their judgment
correct this fault." To your Committee this task has been accordingly committed.

I. It has been our first duty to locate the main causes of this leakage. The most obvious cause of loss is due to our modern migratory habits. Annually in every city multitudes move from section to section without leaving an address. Modern business shifts its employees from city to city with unsettling frequency. Communicants often move to communities where the Church has neither congregation nor priest. Others move from rural congregations to city life, where they miss the old associations, do not receive the pastoral care to which they are accustomed, find the Church ways strange, or feel the financial requirements beyond their power to meet. Young people go away to school and college, breaking the old Church ties and forming no new ones, frequently facing later life with faith shattered and a real antagonism to all organized religion. There are also large movements, such as the migration northward of the Southern Negro. All these mean loss of contacts, the severing of personal ties, the straining of old loyalties.

Next and far more serious is the loss of those who for some reason have submitted to the Laying on of Hands but have never by faith been grafted into the Body of Christ's Church. There are unfortunately rectors who pad their confirmation classes with all who can be by any means persuaded to join. Persons are presented all too often who have no adequate understanding of what they are doing or whose motives are most questionable. These include not only little children inadequately prepared and persons who come for social and business reasons, but that large class who "want to join dear Doctor Jones' church because they like him." All these "have not so much as heard whether there be any Holy Ghost"; consequently they fall away on the slightest provocation.

Other minor causes play their part. Some are unwilling to face the implications of Stewardship and find it cheaper to drop out. Some are rebuffed by the indifferent or unworthy attitude of a rector or fellow communicants. Some are temperamentally affected by differences of ritual or churchmanship.

And underlying many another surface reason, mortal sin is driving its victims from the Fellowship.

II. So much for the causes of loss; what are the remedies? First, we would place a renewed emphasis on pastoral care. The most solemn commitment of the Ordinal to Deacon, Priest or Bishop is the Cure of Souls. Machinery of organization and mechanics of worship must always be secondary to the personal pastoral relation to the individual sheep of Christ's Flock. The good pastor gives his life for the sheep because he gives his life to the sheep, and he takes time to seek those that are lost. Accordingly our seminaries should lay more stress on practical pastoral care and afford abundant clinical practice in those in training for the Sacred Ministry. The Clergy in rural fields and small communities have unusual opportunities for pastoral work, but the rector of the large city parish can keep in pastoral touch through careful group organization and multiply his own ministrations through such service agencies as the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and the Daughters of the King. Those communicants who live where we have no Church are the special care of the Bishop or his Archdeacons, who will find valuable aid in the Church League for the Isolated.

Perhaps the most notable evidence of weakness in pastoral care is the growing disregard of the provision for letters of transfer. Canon 44 not only establishes the right of each communicant in good standing to
such letter upon removal to another Cure, but it further lays the duty upon every Minister to effect a transfer if possible, and in any case to notify the Minister of the Cure whither the communicant has gone. The Clergy are urged to strict observance of this Canon, by instructing their people regarding letters of transfer, by promptly informing the Minister nearest to the place to which the communicant has removed, and by acting immediately on such information when received. We commend the words of the Evaluation Committee, that this be made "a matter of continuous and earnest instruction by the Bishops, in the effort to arouse the Clergy to a fuller sense of pastoral responsibility and to impress upon them the obligation to provide for the further care of Church members who have passed from their immediate oversight."

Another remedy imperatively needed is thorough confirmation instruction. The home and the Church school cannot be depended upon to afford the training that a communicant of this Church should have; and the rector cannot discharge his duty to the confirmation candidate by a few brief sessions devoted to the obvious. We urge deep and spiritual preparation on all essential matters, extending over a period of time sufficient for the candidate to assimilate it. Such instruction should beget a love and a loyalty to the person of Christ and to His Church, such as will hold the communicant wherever he may go.

Finally, we have a good hope in the Church's awakening to the call of Evangelism. The revival of a truly prophetic preaching among us must reach at last the lapsed and indifferent, even as it arouses us to go out and seek the sheep that are lost. We commend to the leaders of the coming evangelistic effort this serious problem of seeking and restoring the lapsed communicant. Personal Evangelism, understandably and sanely used by priest and people alike, can under the blessing of Christ turn this present deplorable loss into permanent and glorious gain.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Report of the Committee on Leakage of Communicants be received and committed to the National Council for distribution.

The Order of the Day being called for, Bishop N. S. Thomas presented the following Report of the Committee on Christian Education embodying two resolutions, which were adopted:

Your Committee on Christian Education begs leave to submit the following report:

In the report of your Committee in 1925, a recommendation was presented to the effect that the Church as a whole should take the matter of Christian education more seriously than it had done in the past and in conclusion, offered the following resolution:

"Resolved, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, That the National Council be requested to take into sympathetic consideration the suggestions in this report and to take such steps as it may deem wise to put them into effect."

Pursuant, perhaps, to this resolution, renewed efforts have been in fact put forth by the Church through the action of the National Council and otherwise to press the matter of religious education. In March, 1927, the Department of Religious Education began the publication of a
magazine entitled "Findings in Religious Education." In May of the same year, the National Council on Religious Education met in Rochester, New York. The theme of the conference being the Christian Family and Religious Education. In September 22, 1927, the Presiding Bishop addressed a letter to the National Council and the Executive Secretaries which resulted in the formation of a Commission on Adult Education with Bishop Tucker of Virginia as Chairman; a Commission on College Work of which Bishop Reese of Southern Ohio was Chairman; and a Commission on the Ministry, composed largely of long standing conferees, examining Chaplains, the Deans of Theological Seminaries, and others, with Bishop Cook, of Delaware, as Chairman. Other Commissions on Child Study, Worship, Service Program, Teacher Training, Church School Architecture, Religious Drama, Music, Pictures, Weekday Religious Education, Church Boarding Schools, and Young People Work have also been created. Beside this, Summer Schools have carried the impetus upon religious education into many of our Dioceses and Missionary Districts; Diocesan Conventions and Clerical gatherings have majored upon this matter.

Moreover, at the General Convention of 1925, a Joint Commission of the two houses, entitled, Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry was appointed. A subcommittee on Education, with Bishop Houston, of Olympia, as Chairman has done much work in the field. So advance has been made all along the line in the planning for specific study of more highly specialized subjects in the work of Christian education.

Coincident with the growth in realization of the importance of this matter within our own Church is the similar realization in the world without during the period of our last Triennium. Repeatedly have our political and economic leaders given expression to the conviction that a democracy cannot continue to exist unless its corner stones are set in religion. To this point all important are the words of the President of the United States who in his Andover Baccalaureate address of last year, declared, that for independent colleges and secondary schools to neglect of their responsibility to conserve the religion of their students committed to their care, is to turn their graduates loose to prey upon each other. Such a dereliction of duty would put in jeopardy the whole fabric of society.

With this thought in mind your Committee records gratefully the growing excellence of Secondary Schools under the direction or leadership of this Church. We therefore recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies concurring, That we recommend to parents considering sending their sons or daughters to boarding schools, that they give serious consideration to the claims of our own Church Schools, and that the clergy should frequently urge upon parents the excellence and desirability of definitely Christian schools for the young.

Your Committee having learned of an interesting experiment in a certain application of the Gary plan of Church instruction which has apparently met with signal success in the Diocese of New Jersey would respectfully recommend further experimentation in this direction elsewhere.

Most recent of the notable advances made in the effort to bring religion into and through the colleges and universities was the notable conference on religion among college men held in Princeton University,
on February 17th of this year. The proceedings of which have been published at length. Out of the 200 delegates present, 50 were college presidents. The general agreement was reached that a condition prevailed in colleges and universities which should be remedied. It is evident that the whole subject of religion in our universities is a matter of growing concern, and of major importance.

Your Commission would, therefore, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That a more adequate support for Church work in our colleges and universities is recommended to our National Council, and that insofar as the budget and other resources will permit, expenditure for this purpose be increased.

We move the adoption of the above resolution.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 83.]

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania the form for "The Office for the Making of a Deaconess" was put on the Calendar.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio the Report of the Commission on Christian Social Service was put on the Calendar for Monday morning.

The Bishop of Sacramento for the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops made the following report:

Report No. 1. The Committee of this House on the Consecration of Bishops, having examined the records and testimonials in the case of the Reverend Albert Sidney Thomas, Bishop-elect of South Carolina; and the consent of the House of Deputies to the Consecration of said Bishop-elect having been duly certified to the Secretary of this House, therefore the following resolution is offered:

Resolved, That the consent of the House of Bishops be given to the Consecration of the Reverend Albert Sidney Thomas to be Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina.

Which was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 84.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

Message No. 65. Ninth Day of Session. Friday, October 19, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Mr. William W. Skiddy, for thirty years, has loyally and ably served the Church as Treasurer of the General Convention. The task has not been easy, and the responsibility has demanded both wisdom and patience.

The confidence and friendship of thousands who have been members of the series of Conventions through the past thirty years give gracious testimony to the fidelity and character of this man who has made the financial part of the work of the General Convention a worthy service in the Master's name. We cannot forget how the ways and means of
this body have found in Mr. Skiddy a wise administrator, placing the finances upon a firm and business-like basis, and thus leading its constituent members to realize the sacredness of the trusts committed to their keeping and lifting expenditures of money to the high level of spiritual service. The man has graced the office, and the office has proved the high ideals of him who has filled it so adequately.

We thank Mr. Skiddy with all our hearts, and we pray that yet many years of health and service may be his.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this brief testimonial be engrossed, signed by the Presiding Bishop and by the President of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and presented to Mr. Skiddy as a slight token of the gratitude and appreciation of the General Convention, representing the whole Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House by a rising vote concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 85.]

Message No. 66. Ninth Day of Session, Friday, October 19, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 46, Section I., be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section I. The copy 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, the Form of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, and an Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, accepted by the General Convention of this Church, in the year of our Lord, 1928, and authenticated by the signatures of the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of General Convention, is hereby declared to be the Standard Book of Common Prayer of this Church."

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message by a rising vote.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 88.]

Message No. 67. Ninth Day of Session, Friday, October 19, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in unanimously adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 61, recommending that action on subsection (15) of Section I. on page 675 of the Journal of 1925 concerning the omitting from the Book of Common Prayer the Article of Religion be indefinitely postponed.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the copy of the Standard Prayer Book of 1892, as presented, revised by the action of General Conventions from 1913 to 1928, be and hereby is adopted as the text of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Prayer Book be authorized and empowered to proceed with the printing of the same; That the Commission be directed to supply to any who may desire to publish Prayer Books page proofs of the Standard Book as they appear; that the Commission be authorized to prepare a list of institutions and individuals to whom copies of the Standard are to be sent, and make presentation of such copies in the name of the Church, when the same are published; and furthermore, that a sufficient number be printed to comply with the requirement of Canon 46, Section 4; that the Commission be authorized, in conference with the donor, to print as many copies of the Standard Book as they may decide upon, to be distributed at such price as they may determine.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 82.]

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 54, Section VIII., be amended to read as follows:

"The Provincial Synod shall have power: (1) to enact Ordinances for its own regulation and government; (2) to elect judges of the Provincial Court of Review; (3) to perform such duties as may be committed to it by General Convention; (4) to deal with all matters within the Province; Provided, however, that no Provincial Synod shall have power to regulate or control the internal policy or affairs of any constituent Diocese or Missionary District; and Provided, further, that all actions and proceedings of the Synod shall be subject to and in conformity with the provision of the Constitution and the Canons for the government of this Church; (5) to adopt a budget for the maintenance of any Provincial work undertaken by the Synod, such budget to be apportioned among the constituent Dioceses and Missionary Districts in such manner as the Synod may determine; (6) to create by Ordinance a Provincial Council with power to administer and carry on such work as may be committed to it by the General Convention, or by the Presiding Bishop and the National Council, or by the Synod of the Province."

Amend Canon 54 by adding a new section to be numbered IX. to read as follows:

"The Synod of a Province may take over from the National Council, with its consent, and during its pleasure, the administration of any given work within the Province. If the Province shall provide the funds for such work, the constituent Dioceses and Missionary Districts shall receive proportional credit therefor upon the quotas assigned to them for the
support of the program of the Church, provided that the total amount of such credits shall not exceed the sum appropriated in the budget of the National Council for the maintenance of the work so taken over."

Renumber Sec. IX. to Sec. X.

Amend Canon 61, Sec. VIII., Clause [i.], to read as follows:

"[i.] The Council shall submit to the General Convention at each regular session thereof a program of its proposed activities for the triennium, including a detailed budget of that part of the program for which it proposes to make appropriation for the ensuing year, and estimated budgets for the two succeeding years. In connection with the preparation of such budget the National Council shall, at least fifteen months before the session of the General Convention transmit to the President of each Province a statement of its existing appropriations for the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within such Province, showing the items for which such appropriations are expended, for the purpose of obtaining the advice of the Province as to changes therein. The Synod, or Council, of each Province shall thereupon, in such manner as the Synod may determine, consider such budget and report its findings to the National Council for its information. The National Council shall also submit to the General Convention with the budget a plan for the apportionment to the respective Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the sum needed to execute program.

"[ii.] There shall be joint sessions of the two Houses for the presentation of such program; and thereafter consideration shall be given and appropriate action taken thereon by the General Convention. The National Council shall have the power to expend all sums of money covered by the budget and estimated budgets approved by the Convention. It shall also have power to undertake such other work provided for in the program approved by General Convention, or other work under the jurisdiction of the National Council, the need for which may have arisen after the action of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the National Council, its income will warrant."

Renumber Clause [ii.] to be Clause [iii.].

Renumber Clause [iii.] to be Clause [iv.].

Nomination of Missionary Bishops by the Synod of a Province

Amend Canon 14, Section II., by inserting after clause [i.], a new clause to be numbered [ii.]:

"When a vacancy shall occur in the Episcopate in any Missionary District within a Province, the President of the Province may convene the Synod of the Province prior to the meeting of the House of Bishops of the Church at which a Missionary Bishop for such Missionary District is to be elected. The Synod of the Province may thereupon nominate one person to the House of Bishops of the Church for that office. It shall be the duty of the President of the Province to transmit such nomination if any be made to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops who shall present the nomination to the House before it proceeds to an election. Each Province containing a Missionary District shall, by ordinance, provide the manner of convening the Synod and making such nomination. The foregoing provision for nomination by the Synod of the Province, shall not apply in the case of the election of Missionary Bishops for Districts in Alaska, the Canal Zone, or in any other region outside the continental boundaries of the United States, notwithstanding such Districts may be included in Provinces."
Resolved further, the House of Bishops concurring, That the sections and clauses of the Canons thus amended be renumbered in accordance with their numerical order.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Which was placed on the Calendar.

MESSAGE No. 70. Ninth Day of Session, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the copyrights here­tofore taken out by the Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer on behalf of this Church of certain portions of the revision of the Book of Common Prayer are hereby relinquished and released to the public, and subject to the provisions of Canon 46, the general publication of copies of the Standard Book as adopted by the General Convention of 1928 is hereby authorized.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 87.]


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in accordance with the provisions of Article XI. of the Constitution:

Cancel Section 6 of Article II. of the Constitution, and insert instead thereof a new section reading as follows:

"Sec. 6. A Bishop may not resign his episcopal charge without the consent either of the House of Bishops of the Church, or of the House of Bishops of the Province in which his office has been exercised, in either case under conditions provided by the Canons of the General Convention."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commis­sion on Church Music be requested to compile and publish a book of Service Music, suitable to be used by the people as well as by choirs of the whole Church, containing one unison setting each of the follow­ing:

Morning Prayer
Venite and the special Canticles for Easter and Thanksgiving Day
Te Deum, Benedictus es Domine and Benedicite
Benedictus and Jubilate
Evening Prayer

Magnificat
Nunc dimittis and other Canticles

The Holy Communion

The responses to the Ten Commandments and the Kyrie
Gloria Tibi
Credo
Sursum Corda and Sanctus
Pater Noster
Gloria in Excelsis.

The Psalms of the Offices for the Burial of the Dead, the Burial of a Child, the Consecration of Churches and the Institution of Ministers and six other Psalms, viz: 19, 91, 103, 118, 148, 150 and the Doxology, (the words and notation of all the above to be given in full in modern notation and with organ accompaniment), to the end that the choirs and people learning and using the same in addition to whatever other music may be in use, there may be at least one setting of all of the music of the Church known by all and that coming together for services of General, Provincial and Diocesan Conventions and Synods, Council Meetings of Missionary Jurisdictions, Convention, Congresses and other meetings of Church organizations and for other special occasions the service music may be sung by all the people.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Which was referred to a Special Committee then appointed by the Chairman consisting of: the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of Utah and the Bishop Coadjutor of Texas.

Bishop Lawrence at this point presented a resolution with reference to Prayer Book Revision.

On motion of the Bishop of North Carolina a resolution relative to the Amendment of Article VI., Section 4, was referred to the Special Committee on Tentative Missionary Districts with Negro Suffragan Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi the Committee on Tentative Missionary Districts with Negro Suffragans was continued with power to add to its membership.

The Chairman made the following appointments:

Committee on Non-Parochial Clergy: the Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida, the Bishop of Duluth, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee.

Committee on Status of Resigned Bishops: the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Southern Ohio and Bishop Lawrence.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned until ten o’clock Monday morning.
ELEVENTH DAY

MONDAY, October 22, 1928.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of Southern Brazil reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Minutes of Saturday's session were read and on correction, approved.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 74.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 40, recommending that a Joint Commission on Rural Work be appointed for fostering of the Church's work in village and country life, and the President has appointed as members on the part of this House:

The Rev. Mr. Goodwin of Virginia, the Rev. Mr. Sessions of Mississippi, the Rev. Mr. Engle of Texas, the Rev. Mr. Allison of Western New York, the Rev. Mr. Bulkley of Utah, and Messrs. Galpin of Washington, Colbert of Fond du Lac, Blair of Alabama, Vincent of Oregon and Taliaferro of Wyoming.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 77.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 50, recommending that the Committee on Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches be added to those with which the National Council shall co-operate, but does not concur with that part of the Message recommending co-operation with the Committee on Eastern Churches of the Federal Council of Churches.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 78.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the amendment contained in its Message No. 69, recommending that the special Joint Session of the two Houses be held on Monday, October 22nd, from 2:30 to 5:00 P.M.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 79.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 68, postponing that part of the Report of the Joint Commission on Revision of the Judicial Procedure dealing with the final Court of Appeals, and that the Joint Commission be continued and re-
quested to make public its report at least a year before the meeting of the next General Convention.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 85.

Tenth Day of Session,
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 80, recommending that the next General Convention meet in the City of Denver, Colorado, on the Wednesday after the first Sunday in October, 1931.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 80.

Tenth Day of Session,
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The United States government through its Secretary of State, the Honorable Frank B. Kellogg, has signed with fourteen other nations the Kellogg-Briand Peace Pact of far-reaching importance and which portends toward the outlawry of war, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention does hereby record its sincere approval of said Peace Pact in the blessed hope that the coming of the Kingdom of God on earth will be hastened, and ultimately the Prince of Peace shall reign supreme.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 91.]

MESSAGE No. 81.

Tenth Day of Session,
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Inasmuch as it is the custom of the General Convention, in the course of its sessions, to hold a service in commemoration of its deceased members and certain data concerning them are desired,

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That at the annual Conventions or Convocations of the various Dioceses and Missionary Districts, the duty of securing the following data—namely—the birth dates, the death dates, the degrees, titles, professions of the deputies, together with the number of the General Conventions they have attended—be assigned either to the Secretaries or else to the Registrars of said Dioceses and Districts.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 92.]

MESSAGE No. 82.

Tenth Day of Session,
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following be elected as Members of the Board of Trustees of the Church Pension Fund:
The Rev. Dr. Cameron J. Davis of Western New York, for three years, to fill an unexpired term.

The following gentlemen for the regular term of nine years:
The Rt. Rev. Dr. Warren L. Rogers of Ohio,
Mr. Wm. Fellows Morgan of New York,
Mr. Monell Sayre of New Jersey,
Mr. Wm. H. Crocker of California,
Mr. Charles A. Goodwin of Connecticut,
Mr. George W. Wickersham of New York.

Attest:   CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 93.]

MESSAGE NO. 86.

Tenth Day of Session, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention record its appreciation of the generous invitation to meet in Minneapolis in 1931, and its regret at being unable to accept for that year.

Attest:   CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 95.]

MESSAGE NO. 87.

Tenth Day of Session, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has unanimously adopted the following resolutions:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church assembled in the city of Washington, 1928 A.D., hereby expresses its heartfelt appreciation to the members of the Episcopal Actors Guild, and to the members of the Washington Committee, who have given of their time and talent so generously in the five presentations of the twelfth century religious play, "Adam." The sincerity, beauty and reverence of the performances have profoundly moved all who have witnessed them, and the members of the Convention are deeply grateful for this powerful demonstration of the aid that dramatic art can give the Church in the setting forth of religious truth, and further
Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Secretary of the Guild.

Attest:   CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 96.]

MESSAGE NO. 84.

Tenth Day of Session, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following be
elected as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to serve until 1934:

The Rev. Caleb R. Stetson, D.D., of New York,
The Rev. Frederick N. MacMillen, D.D., of Reading, Pa.,
The Rev. Archibald M. Judd of Harrisburg, Pa.,
The Rev. Clarence Jones, D.D., of Brooklyn, N. Y.,
The Rev. Stephen E. McGinley of Omaha, Neb.,
Mr. F. L. Polk of New York,
Mr. John Nichols Brown of Newport, R. I.,
Mr. A. DuP. Parker of Villa Nova, Pa.,
Mr. Stephen Baker of New York,
Mr. Myron Ludlow of East Aurora, N. Y.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Which was held in abeyance, pending the Report of the Nominating Committee of this House.

MESSAGE No. 83. Tenth Day of Session, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The Joint Commission on European Churches having received the request of the Presiding Bishop again to consider the Memorial presented to the General Convention of 1925 relating to the proposed election of a resident Bishop for Europe, and having before it the reports of Bishops Brent and Lawrence, as Bishops in charge of our churches in Europe during the past triennium, to whom under the action of the General Convention of 1925 was given under the Presiding Bishop, the duty of testing the spheres of influence, upon which the Memorial was based, and having considered the same,

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission does hereby agree with said Bishops that the testing called for has as yet not been fully made and it also accepts for its own the recommendation of the said Bishops that a full consideration of the Memorial be postponed until a Bishop to be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, under the present Canon, makes a more complete report of the needs and opportunities of the field.

Further Resolved, That the Joint Commission on European Churches be continued.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The Bishop of Western Michigan at this time presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Church in Europe. The House concurred in the foregoing Message [Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 94] and adopted the following Report of the Joint Commission embracing a resolution of continuance:

The Commission has continued its organization with the Bishop of Ohio as Chairman and the Rev. C. M. Belden as Secretary.

Two meetings have been held during the present Convention.

The Commission has had before it the request of the Presiding Bishop again to consider the Memorial presented to the General Convention of 1925 relating to the proposed election of a Resident Bishop for the
European Churches, and also the report of the Special Committee of the House of Bishops relating to the proposed election of a Bishop Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop, to whom, among other duties, the oversight of the Churches in Europe might be assigned. They have also had the opportunity to confer with the Bishop of Western New York and with Bishop Lawrence who have been in charge during the triennium, and with the Bishop of Western Michigan who was in charge during the preceding triennium. The Members of the Commission are agreed that sufficient time and consideration have not as yet been given for the thorough testing out of the plan of administration now in operation through the Presiding Bishop and appointments made by him, and they are therefore of the opinion that the present status should be continued through the next three years, until a more complete survey of the field with its needs and opportunities may have been made.

The Commission offers the resolution: the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on American Churches in Europe be continued with power to fill vacancies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 100.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 76. Tenth Day of Session, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen be appointed to represent the General Convention in conferring with Committees of the American Church Institute for Negroes and the Trustees of the Bishop Payne Divinity School and St. Augustine's College as to the future of this school for the training of negro candidates for the Holy Ministry.

This resolution is presented at the request of a Committee of Twelve appointed by the Presiding Bishop as President of the American Church Institute for Negroes, and for the following reasons:

1) While located in the Diocese of Southern Virginia, it is the only existing seminary of the Church dedicated to the training of Negroes for ministry to their people, and as such has a claim upon the whole Church.

2) The inadequacy and partial dilapidation of the present buildings and equipment, together with the development of unfavorable social and moral conditions in the immediate vicinity of the school have raised questions and produced problems for which the American Church Institute and the Trustees of the school have together earnestly and prayerfully sought some solution.

3) The suggestion has been made that a removal to the neighborhood or perhaps to the (actual) grounds of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina, together with a wider distribution of the membership of the Board of Trustees might furnish a solution of these problems.

It is to secure recognition of the importance of this work and the cooperation and counsel of General Convention that the appointment of this Committee is sought.
The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: The Rev. Dr. Covington of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia, and Messrs. Wood of New York and Page of Virginia.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message by action previously taken in which the Chairman has appointed as members of the Committee the Bishop of Mississippi and the Bishop of Missouri.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 101.]

MESSAGE No. 73.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters and four Laymen be appointed to nominate members of the National Council whose term expires at this Convention.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: The Rev. Dr. Jessup of Western New York, the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio, and Messrs. Baker of New York, Wyckoff of California, Old of Southern Virginia and Hartman of Harrisburg.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message and the Chairman appointed on the part of this House as members of that Committee, the Bishop of Kentucky and the Bishop of Western Massachusetts.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 90.]

The Bishop of Minnesota for the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following Order for the Day, which was adopted:

1. Regular order until 11 A.M.
2. 11 A.M. Amendments to Constitution adopted in 1925 and not yet ratified.
4. Resolution of Bishop Lawrence regarding editing of Revised Prayer Book.
6. Office For the Making of Deaconesses.
7. Amendments to Canon on Provinces, Message from House of Deputies No. 69.
8. 2:30 to 5:30 P.M. Joint Session with House of Deputies.

The Bishop of New York for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution made the following reports:

REPORT No. 10. In regard to that part of the Report of the Joint Committee on Provinces recommending that the Resignations of Bishops
be acted upon by the House of Bishops of the Province which was referred to this Committee your Committee reports that the change proposed would require an amendment of Article II., Section 6, of the Constitution and your Committee is not prepared to recommend such amendment.

The Committee was discharged from further consideration.

Report No. 11. In reference to the proposed Constitutional Amendment relating to the Translation of Bishops your Committee has already reported that in its judgment such Translation is inadvisable. If such an amendment to the Constitution is to be adopted your Committee is of the opinion that this could be effected by adding to Article II., Section I., of the Constitution a new clause to read as follows:

"The Bishop of a Diocese may not be elected to be the Bishop of another Diocese, or the Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, or the Bishop of a Missionary District, or to be a Suffragan Bishop.

"The Bishop Coadjutor of a Diocese may be elected to be the Bishop of another Diocese, or the Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, or the Bishop of a Missionary District or to be a Suffragan Bishop."

The report was accepted.

Report No. 12. Your Committee has given consideration to certain amendments to the Constitution proposed at the Convention of 1925 and begs to report as follows:

1. As to proposal to amend Article I., Section 3, paragraph 1, of the Constitution by striking out the words "having jurisdiction within the United States," at line 5, and by inserting in place thereof the words "of this Church" your Committee reports that there is no constitutional obstacle to the proposed amendment but that in the judgment of the Committee such amendment is not advisable.

2. As to the proposed amendment of Article I., Section 3, paragraph 2, by striking out the words "shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop of the Church," etc., and substituting the words "shall (unless the date of the next General Convention is within three months) immediately call a special meeting of the House of Bishops," etc.

Your Committee begs to offer as a substitution for this proposed amendment the amendment already presented to this House in its Report No. 5.

3. As to the proposed amendment of Article I., Section 3, paragraph 2, of the Constitution by striking out the words "or if he shall resign his episcopal jurisdiction" at lines 2 and 3 your Committee reports that the amendment proposed is of doubtful constitutionality and in its judgment the amendment is not advisable.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the original amendment to Article I., Section 3, paragraph 1 of the Constitution was adopted by a vote of 73 to 23.

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

The Bishop of New York offered as a substitute to the proposed amendment of Article I., Section 3, paragraph 2, the amendment already presented in its Report No. 5.
On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the original amendment to Article I., Section 3, paragraph 1, line 2 and 3, of the Constitution was adopted by a vote of 71 to 15.

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

The Bishop of New York reporting for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented again the matter of Message No. 64, from the House of Deputies, Sec. B, relative to Amendment to the Constitution in Article I., Sec. 3, striking out the second sentence thereof (who shall have jurisdiction within the United States, etc.). The motion to concur was lost.

On motion of the Bishop of New York the House concurred in Message No. 64, Sec. C, relative to the words "his tenure of office, etc."

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 113.]

The Bishop of New York for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution proposed an amendment to Article XI. of the Constitution, which was referred back to the Committee.

The Bishop of Massachusetts for Bishop Lawrence presented the matter on the Calendar relative to the reference of the words in the Communion Office before the Lord's Prayer and after the Prayer of Consecration.

The House voted to continue the following Joint Commissions:

Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the Present Tasks of the Church.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 103.]

Commission on Christian Healing.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 104.]

Commission on Home and Family Life, with the following personnel on the part of this House, the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York, the Bishop of West Missouri, the Bishop of Oregon, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of Erie, and the Bishop of Northern Indiana.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 105.]

Commission on Seamen's Work.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 107.]

Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 108.]

Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 109.]

Commission on Provinces.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 110.]
Commission on Church Flag and Seal.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 111.]

Commission on Revision of the Hymnal.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 112.]

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky the election of three Bishops to prepare a Pastoral Letter for the Convention of 1931 was made the Order of the Day for tomorrow morning after the reading of the Minutes.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 88, Third Day of Session,
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the presiding officers of the two Houses appoint a Joint Committee, consisting of one Bishop, one Presbyter and one Layman, with the President of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Colorado, and the General Chairman of the local Executive Committee of this present Convention, to be known as the Joint Committee on Arrangements for the General Convention of 1931; and shall have power to act with the local Executive Committee of the Diocese of Colorado and its General Chairman in making all arrangements for the General Convention of 1931 in Denver, and for such meetings as are held coincident thereto.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Chairman appointed as member on the part of this House the Bishop of Colorado.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 97.]

MESSAGE No. 89, Eleventh Day of Session,
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention shall adjourn sine die on Thursday, October 25th, at one o'clock P.M., and that the closing service with the reading of the Pastoral Letter be held at the Church of the Epiphany at 2:30 P.M. on that day.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 98.]
MESSAGE No. 90.

Eleventh Day of Session.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the Consecration of the Rev. Norman S. Binsted to be Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Tohoku.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 91.

Eleventh Day of Session.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the Consecration of the Reverend Frederick Deane Goodwin to be Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Nevada.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 92.

Eleventh Day of Session.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the Consecration of the Reverend George Herbert Thomas to be Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Wyoming.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 93.

Eleventh Day of Session.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the election of the Right Reverend William Matthews Merrick Thomas to be Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Southern Brazil.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned to meet tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

TWELFTH DAY

Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of Liberia reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and on correction, approved.
The Bishop of South Florida presented the following resolution:

Acting on behalf of the Clergy and People of the Diocese of South Florida:

We wish to declare our profound gratitude to the General Convention for its prompt and generous action in relief and aid of the congregations of the Diocese of South Florida suffering loss and damage from the recent terrible hurricane:

We ask that this declaration be recorded in the Journal of the House of Bishops, and that it be communicated by the Secretary of this House to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

CAMERON MANN,
Bishop of South Florida,

JOHN D. WING,
Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 106.]

The Bishop of North Tokyo presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, God our Father has taken to Himself, His good and faithful servant Joseph Sakunoshin Motoda, Bishop of Tokyo and first Japanese Bishop of the Nippon Sei Ko Kwai:

Resolved, That the members of this House of Bishops desire to express their profound appreciation of the great work done by Bishop Motoda for the extension of the Kingdom of God and send to his family and the people of his Diocese their affectionate sympathy in the loss they have suffered by his death.

Which was adopted by a rising vote.

The Bishop of Minnesota for the Committee on the Despatch of Business made the following report which was adopted:

1. Reading of the Minutes.
2. Election of Committee on Pastoral Letter.
3. Regular Order until 11 A.M.
5. Office for Making of a Deaconess.
6. Amendments to Canon on Provinces in Message House of Deputies No. 69.
7. Proposed Amendments to Canons 27 to 34 and 40 and 51.

The Order of the Day being called for, the Bishop of Mississippi for the Nominating Committee presented the following nominations for the Committee on the Pastoral Letter for 1931:

The Bishop of San Joaquin, the Bishop Coadjutor of Albany and the Bishop of Alabama.

The Chairman was instructed to cast one ballot for their election. The ballot was cast and the Chairman declared the Committee elected.
The Bishop of New York reporting for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented on its first reading proposed amendments to Article XI. and Article I. of the Constitution which were adopted, as follows:

**REPORT B. Resolved,** That the following changes be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses in order that the same may be adopted by the next General Convention in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution:

1. Amend Article XI. of the Constitution by adding after the words "entitled to vote in the House of Bishops," at line 9, of the Article the following words, "excepting that whenever two-thirds of the House of Bishops are present a majority vote shall suffice."

2. Amend Article I., Section 3, by adding after the words "entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, at line 7, of the Article the following words, "excepting that whenever two-thirds of the House of Bishops are present a majority vote shall suffice."

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 117.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

**MESSAGE No. 94.**

Eleventh Day of Session, MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on Arrangements for the next General Convention are hereby instructed that the Hall of the House of Deputies must be reserved for the use of that House at night after the tenth day of the session, and is not to be utilized for any other purpose without the approval of the Chairman of the Committee on Despatch of Business of that House being first obtained.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 132.]

**MESSAGE No. 95.**

Eleventh Day of Session, MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Chairman of the Committees on Despatch of Business of the two Houses be constituted a Joint ad interim Committee to which the Joint Committee on Arrangements shall refer for approval their proposed program for the General Convention to be held in 1931.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 119.]
MESSAGE No. 96.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has con­corded with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolutions contained in its Message No. 83, recommending more adequate support for Church work in our colleges and universities to the National Council, and recommending to parents considering sending sons or daughters to boarding schools that they give serious consideration to the claims of our own Church Schools.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 97.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has con­corded with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 86, recommending that the Commission on Rural Work be empowered to add to its number.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 98.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has con­corded with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 81, recommending the appointment of a Joint Com­mission to represent the General Convention in conferring with Com­mittees of the American Church Institute for Negroes, the Trustees of the Bishop Payne Divinity School and the Trustees of St. Augustine's College, as to the future disposition and policies of the Bishop Payne Divinity School for the training of negro candidates for the Holy Ministry.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:  
The Rev. Dr. Covington of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia, and Messrs. Wood of New York and Page of Virginia.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 99.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article XI. of the Constitution:

Amend the last sentence of the fourth paragraph of Section 4, Article I., of the Constitution, so that the same shall read as follows:

"In all cases of a vote by Orders, the two Orders shall vote sepa­rately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical Order and one in the Lay Order, and each Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States of America having a one-fourth vote in the Clerical Order and a one-fourth vote in the Lay Order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House. No action of either Order shall pass in the affirmative unless it receives the majority of all votes cast, and unless the sum of all the
affirmative votes shall exceed the sum of all other votes by at least one whole vote."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

MESSAGE No. 100. Eleventh Day of Session, MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Report of the Treasurer, with the certificate of the auditor attached thereto, be accepted and printed in the Journal.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 120.]


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following be reappointed members of the Board of Managers of the Lord’s Day Alliance of the United States: Rev. W. S. Chase, D.D., Rev. G. F. Dudley, D.D., and Rev. C. K. Gilbert; that Rev. W. Russell Bowie, D.D., be appointed an additional member of the Board, and that the Right Reverend James E. Freeman, D.D., Bishop of Washington, D. C., be appointed an honorary Vice-President of the Alliance.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 121.]

MESSAGE No. 102. Eleventh Day of Session, MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That whenever any member of a Joint Committee or a Joint Commission of this Convention shall have been absent from three successive regular meetings, unless excused or because of providential cause, he shall automatically cease to be a member thereof, and

Further be it Resolved, That such Joint Committees or Commissions are hereby authorized to fill vacancies so occurring.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 122.]

MESSAGE No. 103. Eleventh Day of Session, MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
WHEREAS, There are now twenty-eight City Mission organizations working in this Church, and
WHEREAS, There is great need for the extension of this work of ministering to the material and spiritual needs of thousands in public and other institutions for the sick and afflicted, for the erring and wayward, bringing to them the comfort and hope of Christ's religion, and
WHEREAS, At a recent meeting of certain City Mission executives, held in the City of Washington, there was voiced the desire for a national organization to bring about closer affiliation with each other, and for guidance and inspiration of the whole Church,

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint a Commission of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, with power to add to their number, to be known as the Commission on City Mission Work.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Presiding Bishop later appointed the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Oregon and the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Reverend Samuel Tyler, D.D., the Reverend L. Ernest Sunderland, D.D., and the Reverend C. R. Barnes, Mr. Edward H. Bonsall, Mr. Courtney Barbour and Mr. Robert Jemison, Jr.

The Bishop of Vermont for the Committee on Canons made the following reports:

REPORT No. 12. The Committee on Canons respectfully reports to the House of Deputies that it has appointed the Bishop of Vermont and the Bishop of New Hampshire, respectively, Chairman and Secretary of the Committee to serve on the Joint Committee to certify changes made in the Canons at this meeting of the General Convention.

REPORT No. 13. Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 5 be amended by the insertion of a new Section VII., which was adopted as follows:

"In case of a Deacon desiring to be transferred from one Diocese to another, the Ecclesiastical Authority of the former Diocese must state in the Letter Dimissory the exact standing of the Deacon as regards examinations passed or Dispensations received; also the dates, of his birth, admission as a candidate and ordination."

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 114.]

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont reporting for the Committee on Canons the House did not concur with Message No. 29 of the House of Deputies relative to amendments to Canon 5, Section 4.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 115.]

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont reporting for the Committee on Canons the House did not concur with Message No. 45 of the House of Deputies relative to amendments to Canon 7.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 116.]
On motion of the Bishop of Vermont reporting for the Committee on Canons the proposed amendment to Canon 39, adding Section II., was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 118.]

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont reporting for the Committee on Canons the following amendment to Canon 18, was adopted by adding in §VII. a new subsection [viii.] as follows:

[viii.] A Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction with the consent of the House of Bishops, may, at the discretion of the Bishop of the Diocese (or Missionary District) in which he chooses to reside, be enrolled among the Clergy of that Diocese (or Missionary District), being transferred thereto from his former Diocese, and becoming subject to its Canons and regulations; and if he accept any pastoral charge or ministerial appointment within the Diocese (or Missionary District) he may be accorded a seat and vote in the Diocesan Convention (or Convocation) according to its canonical provisions for the qualification of Presbyters. The same shall apply to a resigned Bishop who continues to serve within the jurisdiction in which he formerly served as Bishop.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 128.]

The proposed addition of the words "In this case he shall not be entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops" was referred back to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio reporting for the Committee on Christian Social Service the resolution relative to the Separation of the Church and State was laid on the table.

Also for the same Committee report was made on the matter of military training in Secondary Schools. On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa the following substitute for the report was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention urges upon all institutions of learning having military training and especially upon Church Schools, the importance of emphasis upon the methods now open for the peaceful adjustment of international difficulties.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 133.]

The same Bishop for the same Committee made the following report on Outlawry of War, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, The General Convention conscious of the heavy responsibility which rests upon the followers of Christ in furthering the cause of peace, and a law-governed world, reaffirms the substance of the resolutions adopted by the General Convention of 1925.

With that Convention, we reaffirm the conviction that the world must adopt a peace system. We assert our solemn judgment that warfare as
an instrument of national policy, or as a means of settling disputes between nations should be renounced. Such warfare, undertaken to further national policy and without recourse to judicial arbitration or other means of peaceful settlement, is a crime on the part of a nation, and so to be held by followers of Christ, who has commanded us to make disciples not enemies, of the peoples of the world.

We thank God and take courage at the steady increase of effort to find and make universal peaceful methods dealing with international differences; we rejoice in the growing influence of the International Court of Justice and League of Nations and heartily sympathize with the efforts looking to disarmament and security treaties. We commend with unqualified approval the effort of our own Government to achieve the outlawry of war and noting the epoch-making significance of the proposals now awaiting ratification, pray God for its success. We believe these treaties to be steps in the realization of the hopes of the nations for a permanent peace and pledge our best endeavors and constant prayers to this end.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 134.]

The same Bishop for the same Committee presented a Report of the World Conference on Narcotic Education which embodied the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The bondage of narcotic drug addiction has become a grave menace to the public welfare, the public morals, the social and economic integrity of society, and

WHEREAS, The truth has power to set men free and education must take a fundamental part in the protection of society from such a menace,

Therefore, be it Resolved, That this General Convention commends co-operation in the observance of Narcotic Education Week the last week in February of each year.

The Committee cordially sympathizes with the movement of the World Conference on Narcotic Education to make careful study by those who are duly qualified of this grave problem and to bring such facts as they feel are important to the attention of the people of the country, we do not recommend, however, that this Convention set forth a specific period of the year in which the entire Church shall devote itself to the observance of narcotic education.

We therefore recommend that this resolution do not pass, and that the Committee be excused from further consideration of the matter.

On motion the resolution was adopted with the elimination of the words fixing a special time for observance of Narcotic Education.

The same Bishop for the same Committee presented a resolution to that Committee on the subject of Prohibition.

On motion of the Bishop of Erie the following substitute resolution was adopted:

The House of Bishops re-affirms the resolution on law enforcement adopted unanimously by this House October 21, 1925, in the following terms (page 118, Journal, 1925)
Resolved, That facing the danger of the spirit of lawlessness in American life we welcome the efforts of the government of the United States to enforce strictly and impartially the Prohibition Laws and the anti-narcotic laws which are so widely and cynically disregarded, and we call upon the people of our Church to set a good example of that obedience to law without which no democracy can endure.

The same Bishop for the same Committee presented a resolution relative to the Church Temperance Society, as follows:

WHEREAS, An organization known generally by the name of the Church Temperance Society is widely regarded as carrying the imprimatur and authority of this Church, and
WHEREAS, Conspicuous publicity is given to public pronouncements of said Society, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this House definitely declares that said Society has no official standing in this Church.

On motion of the Bishop of New York, the words, "House of Deputies" were deleted from the above report.

The above report as amended was adopted.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 104.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following persons be elected to serve on the National Council in place of those whose terms of office expire at this Convention:

The Right Rev. Wm. Lawrence, D.D.,
The Right Rev. H. St. George Tucker, D.D., Bishop of Virginia,
The Rev. Wm. H. Milton, D.D., of East Carolina,
The Rev. George Craig Stewart, D.D., of Chicago,
Mr. Burton Mansfield of Connecticut,
Mr. Samuel Mather of Ohio,
Mr. Louis F. Montague of California,
Mr. Richard I. Manning of Upper South Carolina.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 124.]

MESSAGE No. 105.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Treasurer of the General Convention be and he is hereby authorized to borrow, in behalf and in the name of the General Convention, with the approval of the Presiding Bishop, such a sum not exceeding five thousand ($5,000.00)
dollars per annum, as in his judgment may be necessary to help defray the expenses of the General Convention provided, that the total amount of the indebtedness shall at no time exceed ten thousand ($10,000.00) dollars.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 125.]

MESSAGE No. 106. Twelfth Day of Session, Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Committee on Expenses be and they are hereby authorized to meet during the interval between this Convention and the next succeeding one.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 126.]

On motion of Bishop Rhinelander the report of the Committee on the adoption of a Form for Making of Deaconesses was withdrawn.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the Order of the Day was suspended and the Bishop of New Jersey presented the Report of the Joint Commission on the General Theological Seminary embracing the following resolution, which was adopted:

The Joint Committee on the General Theological Seminary has met and organized by the election of the Bishop of West Missouri as Chairman, the Bishop of New Jersey as Vice-Chairman, and the Very Reverend Charles S. Hutchinson, D.D., of Milwaukee as Secretary and begs leave to submit the following brief report:

Your Joint Committee understands that it is authorized and instructed to meet at such times as it may deem fit, during the intervals between the meetings of the General Convention, to visit the Seminary and to report to the General Convention.

We also understand that it is one function of this Joint Committee to nominate for election by the Convention Trustees of the General Seminary; we therefore beg leave to present the names of the following Bishops to be elected by the House of Bishops to serve as Trustees of the General Seminary until 1934:

The Bishop of Indianapolis,
The Bishop of Rhode Island,
The Bishop of Newark,
The Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York,
The Bishop of Long Island.

And for the information of this House we desire to report that the following have been nominated to the House of Deputies, to serve as Trustees until 1934:

The Rev. Lawrence T. Cole, D.D.,
The Rev. C. Rocheford Stetson, D.D.,
Resolved, That the following Bishops be elected as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, to serve until 1934:

The Bishop of Indianapolis,
The Bishop of Rhode Island,
The Bishop of Newark,
The Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York,
The Bishop of Long Island.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 135.]

On motion of the Bishop of East Carolina the Report of the National Commission on Evangelism was received and ordered printed in the Journal. (Appendix XV.)

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota Message No. 69 of the House of Deputies was referred to the Committee on Canons with the request that the Committee report tomorrow.

At noon the Vice-Chairman bade the House to prayer.

The Bishop of Vermont presented the Report of the Committee on Canons relative to amendments to Canons 27 to 34 inclusive and 40 and 51.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the foregoing report was referred back to the Joint Committee on Revision of the Canon for Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with a view to Clarifying and Simplifying the Same, with instructions to present revised matter on this subject to the Bishops at least three months before the next General Convention.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 141.]

The Bishop of Vermont on behalf of the Special Committee on Canons presented the revised copy of the Bishop of Central New York's Proposed Appeal to Loyalty.

A MESSAGE FROM THE BISHOPS TO THE CLERGY

After fifteen years of careful study the Church is authorizing for use in public worship a revised and enriched Book of Common Prayer.
This book is now the only authorized manual set forth by this Church for acts of corporate worship. It would seem that the completion of this work is an occasion for a special message and affectionate appeal from us as your appointed spiritual leaders.

One of the most conspicuous perils in modern American life is a tendency to put an undue emphasis upon personal liberty, and to pay little respect to what has been set forth by duly constituted authority. There is need in the Church as in the State to sound a call to loyalty. Your Bishops, assembled in triennial session, make an appeal for a loyal recognition of our common obligation to render generous obedience in observing in their integrity the provisions of our enriched Book of Common Prayer.

Such loyalty does not, of course, preclude, as occasions may require, special services as provided for in the rubrics of the Prayer Book or authorized by the Bishops; but it does demand of the authorized Ministers of the Church obedience to the rubrical directions of its authorized book of worship, as at all times binding upon priest and people. These rubrics and the various offices of the book are the solemn expression of the mind of this Church. To ignore or disregard them, or to set them aside and substitute other forms for them, is an obvious violation of the Church's law and order. We protest against the tendency towards an exaggerated individualism and eccentricities in devotional practice.

Doubtless Bishops have been partly responsible in permitting irregularities and in adopting a policy of undue toleration. The liberty of experimental usage allowed during the period of Revision should now cease.

This exaggerated individualism is found not merely in matters of devotional practice. We hear on every side from the Laity of their distress and disturbance over what they call a distorted conception of the liberty of prophesying. We are all of us Christian ambassadors, with a definite message, and we of the House of Bishops call upon the Clergy to seek, with prayerful care and pastoral affection, so to present their message as to make clearly apparent its loyalty to the teaching of the Church and to our Christian tradition and heritage.

We feel justified in making this special appeal, because this General Convention has shown a singular harmony of spirit, with a considerateness of the conscientious scruples of others, and an affectionate desire to accommodate divergent views. In nothing was this more apparent than in the work of revision of the Prayer Book.

All undue license of individual practice disturbs the life of the Church, and prevents the Church from giving a consistent witness to Christian Unity. Such a witness, we believe, this Church is in a peculiarly happy position to bear, and it is one of our greatest privileges and opportunities in this day when the call to Unity is sounding with renewed insistence.

On motion of the Bishop of Central New York this letter was ordered printed and sent to the several Bishops to be sent to their Clergy at their Discretion.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved. That this House request a Committee of Conference with a similar Committee from this House relative to House of Bishops Message No. 113.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: The Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago, The Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio, Mr. Parker of Massachusetts.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of California the House concurred and the Chairman, on the part of this House, appointed the following members—the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Newark.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 127.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

Message No. 108. Twelfth Day of Session, Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 112, recommending that the Commission on the Revision of the Hymnal be continued.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

Message No. 109. Twelfth Day of Session, Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 110, recommending that the Committee to which is referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces and all other matters pertaining thereto be continued.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

Message No. 110. Twelfth Day of Session, Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 109, recommending that the Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry be continued.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House took a recess and resumed its session at 2:30 o'clock.

Upon the reassembling of the House the Chairman announced the inability of the Rev. Frederick D. Goodwin, D.D., to accept the election to the Missionary District of Nevada and announced that the House would assemble at ten o'clock tomorrow morning in the Church of the Epiphany to elect a Bishop to the Missionary District of Nevada.
The Bishop of Atlanta for the Special Committee on the question of procedure in the reception of communicants of Churches having a priesthood accepted by the Episcopal Church presented the following report, which was adopted:

The Committee to which was referred the resolution of the National Council requesting the House of Bishops to review the question of procedure in the reception of communicants of Churches having a priesthood accepted by the Episcopal Church, with a view to the recommendation of a unified method of procedure,

Reports that it has considered the matter, and has consulted with many of the Bishops as to their procedure in the reception into this Church of communicants from Churches where orders are recognized by this Church. We find that:

while in the main the methods of reception are much alike, they vary in detail, especially in the words used by the Bishops in receiving the candidates for reception. In the judgment of your Committee there is no real need to set forth a uniform form of procedure in the reception of such candidates, and we think that the matter may well be left to the judgment of the individual Bishop.

The Committee are, however, of the opinion that in every case such candidate should be received into the communion of this Church by the Bishop, and not by a Rector or other Clergyman of the Church.

(Signed) H. J. MIKELL,
T. D. BRATTON,
JOHN T. DALLAS.

Message No. 84 from the House of Deputies, received yesterday was re-presented and on request held in abeyance pending a later Message (No. 143) from that House.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Christian Healing embracing a resolution. The report was adopted, the resolution having been previously adopted in House of Bishops Message No. 104. (Appendix XVII.)

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Form of Parochial Report for 1928, submitted by the Board of Church Finance, be approved and that a syllabus explaining the correct use of it accompany each report.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 136.]

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the following resolution was adopted:

The Joint Committee on Parochial Reports has met to consider these reports and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee be discharged.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 136.]
The Bishop of Newark reported for the Special Committee on the question of publishing a Book of Service with the recommendation that this House does not concur with Message No. 72 of the House of Deputies. The report with appended resolution was adopted.

The Special Committee to whom was referred Message No. 72, begs leave to report that it has considered the matter therein contained and recommends non concurrence.

The resolution of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies requested the Commission on Church Music to compile and publish a book of service music with the aim of unifying the singing of the anthems and hymns contained in the services in the Prayer Book.

Your Committee finds that the Commission on Church Music has already in the volume entitled The Choral Service provided for much that is contemplated by the resolution. It is of the opinion that the chants and musical settings contained in the Church Hymnal provide adequately for any further needs. It presents the following:

Resolved, That we do not concur in the resolution proposed in Message No. 72.

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

The Bishop of Colorado for the Commission on Permanent Location of National Headquarters made the following report, which with the appended resolution therein contained, was adopted:

Your Commission would call the attention of this Convention to the fact that in 1919 a new organization was created in this Church which was known as the Presiding Bishop and Council and that among other duties it took over those of the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions which already had its headquarters at 281 Fourth Avenue, New York City, and since that time the Presiding Bishop and the National Council have occupied these premises, but with this difference—that in the new organization (since 1925) was included a Presiding Bishop of this Church with an official residence to whom certain powers of a spiritual character were entrusted other than those which pertain to the Presiding Bishop and Council. This involved the residence of a Bishop having certain ecclesiastical jurisdictions given by the General Convention, in the Diocese of another Bishop without permission having been asked or granted to it.

In our judgment the Presiding Bishop has a jurisdiction which is primarily spiritual and only secondarily a fiscal one. He is not the head of a mere secular corporation.

The Commission regrets that its appointment came so late in the session that it cannot work out any program and present it, but it expects under the provisions of the resolution to sit between the sessions
of the General Convention and to give ample opportunity for propositions to be made through it to the next Convention. At these meetings and especially at the formal meeting which will be called shortly before the next General Convention, any interested persons may appear in person or by documents and present any matter to the Commission which may have a bearing upon the subject, and so this Commission asks that any person or corporations who may have any suggestions, propositions or invitations to make to the General Convention that have a bearing on this question, will do so during the interim between this and the next General Convention, in order that your Commission may have something tangible to report thereto.

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Commission be continued and authorized to report at the next General Convention.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the matter of a permanent location of the headquarters of the National Council be referred to a Commission of five Bishops, five Presbyters and five Laymen who shall grant hearings upon the subject and shall consider all questions having a bearing upon this subject and that if possible they shall report to this Convention and that no final action on permanent headquarters shall be taken until the report of said Commission is made to General Convention, and the House of Bishops appoints as members of such Commission the Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of Massachusetts and the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 130.]

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops is grateful for the work of the Committee on Daily Bible Readings, and desires to express its heartfelt appreciation of the devoted work of its Chairman, the Right Reverend David L. Ferris, D.D., and his co-workers, by whose sacrificial industry is compiled the Churchman's Kalendar of Daily Bible Readings.

Resolved, That this House commends this Kalendar to the increasing use of Clergy and people.

The Bishop of Vermont for the Committee on Canons presented the proposed amendment to Canon 54, Section VIII. as contained in Message No. 69 of the House of Deputies.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa the following amendment to the above was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, Amend Canon 54, Section VIII., by striking out the words in the fifth and sixth lines from the bottom of page 14 of the report the words “to be apportioned among the constituent Dioceses and Missionary Districts” and add the words “to be raised” before the words “in such manner” in the fourth line from the bottom of page 14 of the report.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the House concurred with Message No. 69, on Canon 54, Section VIII. as amended.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 131.]
On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the House concurred in
Message No. 69 of the House of Deputies amending Canon 54,
Section IX.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 131.]

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the House concurred in
Message No. 69 of the House of Deputies on the amendment of
Canon 61, Section VIII.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 131.]

The Bishop of Vermont presented the report of the Committee
on Canons relative to the action of the House of Deputies in
Message No. 69, on amendment of Canon 14, Section II.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri the following amend­
ment to the above report was adopted: In lines 10, 11 and 12
delete the words “present the nomination to the House before it
proceeds to an election” and substitute for them the words “three
weeks before the meeting of the House of Bishops communicate
the same to the Bishop along with other nominations that have
been made in accordance with the Rules of Order of the House.”

The House concurred in the amendment of Canon 14, Section
II. as amended.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 131.]

The Bishop of Ohio presented the following Report of the
Joint Commission on Church Flag and Seal, which on motion of
the Bishop of Rhode Island for the Committee, was referred
back to the Committee.

The Chairman appointed Mr. John Nicholas Brown of the
Diocese of Rhode Island and Col. George H. Chandler of the
Diocese of Long Island to this Commission.

On motion of the Bishop of Ohio the following resolution was
adopted:

Resolved, That this House desires to put on record its appreciation of
the great and inspiring service and influence of the work being done and
being pushed forward to completion of the Cathedral Corporation of
Washington, under the marvelous leadership of the Bishop of Washing­
ton. The at present unfinished building crowning St. Albans' Hill and
the wonderful public services being held within its walls and at its
feet excites in us all sentiments and feelings of profound consciousness
of the importance and stimulating effect of this movement to God's glory
and for the edification of men. It is a factor of instruction in art and
architecture and above all in spiritual impulse and endeavor and we
assure the Bishop of Washington and his Chapter that we pray a
Blessing on their great undertaking.
On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the House proceeded to the considerations of the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program.

The Bishop of Delaware read to the House the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that in accordance with the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Minute of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program defining the object of the Mission of the Church be and is hereby adopted, and that the National Council be instructed to send copies of this Minute in suitable form to all of the Clergy and vestries of this Church.

1. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That there be added to the Budget for 1929-1931 the sum of $2,500 per year for the work of the Commission on Faith and Order, and that the cause be commended to the generosity of parishes and individuals for further support.

2. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the subject of a proposed resolution regarding the separate administration of the Annual Lenten Offering of the Church Schools and the expenditure thereof for special objects be referred to the National Council for consideration.

3. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the budget for the triennium 1929-1931 be fixed in the total amount of $4,224,670 per year; and that the National Council be and it is hereby instructed to revise the budget submitted by it to this Convention approximately to this total, in accordance so far as possible with the recommendations contained in the foregoing report.

4. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be and it is hereby instructed to apportion a sum not to exceed $3,550,000 to the Dioceses upon the basis of average parish and mission current expense according to the plan proposed in this report.

5. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That “current expenses” shall be defined as follows:

"CURRENT EXPENSES"

Stipends of
Rector (excluding such part, if any, as may be paid by the Diocesan authorities).
Assistant Ministers.
Clergy acting as supplies.
Special preachers.
Deaconesses.
Parish visitors.
Parish secretary.
Sexton or janitor.
Assistants to Sexton or janitor.
All other paid parish workers.
Salaries of organists, singers, sheet and book music, choir supplies, and vestments, maintenance and care of musical instruments.

All expenses of maintaining church, parish house, rectory, insurance premiums, automobile expenses, light, heat, and power, telephone and telegraph, stationery, printing and postage, and all other office supplies.

(Note: Expenses of additions or improvements are not to be included.)

6. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the whole definition of "current expenses" shall be attached to and made a part of the Parochial Report forms as published by the Board of Church Finance, or as distributed by Dioceses, if any, not using these forms.

7. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Diocesan quotas shall hereafter be based upon the "current expenses" as shown by parochial reports published in the latest available Diocesan Journals, and in the absence of such reports the National Council may estimate such expenses from such information as they may be able to obtain.

8. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be, and it is hereby instructed when it makes known their quotas to the respective Dioceses, also to state clearly in such notice the method and rate employed according to the plan approved by this Convention of ascertaining the quotas; and that the National Council send such notices to the Bishop and Treasurer of each Diocese and Missionary District.

9. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, First that according to the recommendation of the National Council, a Joint Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters and four Laymen be appointed to act with the National Council in analyzing the needs for new equipment, and preparing a list of projects to be presented to the people of the Church for their special support, and that in this list emphasis be placed upon strategic points in the Domestic Field.

Second, that the total asked for such advance work shall not exceed the sum of $3,000,000 for the coming triennium.

Third, that the year 1929 shall be used for education in behalf of this advance work.

Fourth, that in the Epiphany Season of 1930 intensive effort shall be put forth to obtain the amount needed.

10. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That, First, each Diocese and Missionary District shall annually on or before January 15th, submit to the National Council a statement of the amount which it expects to pay to the National Council towards the Church's Program for the ensuing year; and that, Second, the National Council, at its first meeting for the year, shall adjust the actual appropriations for the year to an amount not to exceed the total income to be expected from these estimates, plus amounts expected from other sources.

11. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention approve the principle of using undesignated legacies for permanent equipment in the missionary field, and directs the National Council to continue such policy during the coming triennium.

12. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be, and it is hereby, authorized to add to the budget the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) to provide increase of salary, travel expenses, and discretionary fund for the Bishop of Tohoku, Japan.
13. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That power be, and it is hereby, given to the National Council to readjust and revise, as conditions may determine, the budget adopted by this Convention within the limit of the sum therein called for.

14. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of twenty members of whom five shall be Bishops, five Presbyters, and ten Laymen be appointed, whose duty it shall be to receive from the National Council the Program and Budget proposed for the action of the General Convention of 1931; the Bishops to be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, and the Presbyters and Laymen to be appointed by the President of the House of Deputies from among the Deputies-elect to the said Convention of 1931; the Committee to consider and report to the two Houses thereof for adoption such budget or modification thereof as they may determine, and for this purpose to meet at least two days before the Convention of 1931.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the introductory resolution of the foregoing resolution relative to a Minute of the Joint Committee in defining the object of the mission of the Church.

The House concurred in Resolution No. 1, relative to an appropriation to the Commission on Faith and Order.

The House concurred in Resolution No. 2, relative to the Annual Lenten Offering of the Church Schools.

The House concurred in Resolution No. 3, relative to fixing the Budget for the next triennium, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee requesting to be recorded in the negative.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware Resolution No. 4, relative to apportionment was amended by adding the words, “and Missionary Districts” after the word Dioceses in line 3, of the resolution.

The House concurred in Resolution No. 4, as amended.

The House deferred action on the balance of the Message.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 111. Twelfth Day of Session, Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 108, recommending that the Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order be continued.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 112. Twelfth Day of Session, Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained
in its Message No. 107, recommending that the Commission on Seamen's Work be continued.

Attest: 

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 113. 
Twelfth Day of Session, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 104, recommending that the Commission on Christian Healing be continued.

Attest: 

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 114. 
Twelfth Day of Session, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 103, recommending that the Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the Present Tasks of the Church be continued.

Attest: 

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 115. 
Twelfth Day of Session, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 100, recommending that the Joint Commission on American Churches in Europe be continued with power to fill vacancies.

Attest: 

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 116. 
Twelfth Day of Session, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 63, amending Canon 24, Section I., by substituting for the last sentence of the section the following: "A Deaconess who marries shall not continue to exercise her office."

Attest: 

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 117. 
Twelfth Day of Session, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has by a constitutional majority finally adopted the following amendments to the Constitution proposed in the last General Convention:

Amend Article I., Section 3, paragraph 2 of the Constitution by striking out the words, "shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop of the Church until an election of Presiding Bishop be held by the General Convention," and substituting the words, "shall (unless the date of the next General Convention is within three months) immediately call a special meeting of the House of Bishops to be held within two months to elect a Bishop having jurisdiction in the United States to be the Presiding Bishop. The Bishop so elected shall serve until the next General Convention."

Amend Article I., Section 3, paragraph 1, of the Constitution by striking out the words "having jurisdiction within the United States" at line 5, and by inserting in place thereof the words "of this Church."
Amend Article I., Section 3, paragraph 2, of the Constitution, by striking out the words "or if he shall resign his episcopal jurisdiction" at lines 2 and 3.

The amended sentences will then read as follows:

(1) The House of Bishops shall choose one of the Bishops of this Church to be Presiding Bishop, etc.

(2) But if the Presiding Bishop of the Church shall resign his office as such, or if by reason of infirmity he shall become disabled, or in case of his death, etc.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message by a constitutional majority, though its own action had been previously recorded in Message No. 99.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 137.]


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolutions, contained in its Message No. 66, presented by the Joint Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry, with the exception of Resolution No. 5, in which it does not occur.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned to meet at the Church of the Epiphany tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

THIRTEENTH DAY

WEDNESDAY, October 24, 1928.

The Bishops assembled in the Church of the Epiphany at 10 o'clock. The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Presiding Bishop assisted by the Bishop of San Joaquin, the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of Eastern Oregon and the Rev. Dr. Morris of Epiphany Church.

The Presiding Bishop at the close of the service offered prayers for those in affliction.

Divine Service being ended, the House met in the Church, the Chairman presiding. The Chairman announced the death on Tuesday, October 23, 1928, of the Right Reverend George Herbert Kinsolving, Bishop of Texas. The members of the House rose and paid a silent tribute.
A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop of Long Island, and the Chairman bade the House to prayer.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland and the Bishop of Oklahoma having been appointed Tellers the House proceeded to elect a Bishop for the Missionary District of Nevada.

The Bishops deposited their ballots and the Rev. Thomas Jenkins, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Oregon, was found on the third ballot to have received a majority of votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen, subject to confirmation, by the House of Deputies, Bishop of the Missionary District of Nevada.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Oregon and the Bishop of Idaho, a Committee to inform the Bishop-elect of his election.

The Bishops signed the testimonials of the Bishop-elect.

The Bishop of Georgia for the Committee of Conference "On Method of Electing a Presiding Bishop" made the following report:

The Joint Committee having met has unanimously agreed to recommend to the House of Bishops and to the House of Deputies the following amendment to Canon 17:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 17 be amended by introducing a new section to be numbered Section I. as follows:

Before a Presiding Bishop is elected a Joint Nominating Committee consisting of eight Bishops (one from each Province) shall present to the House of Bishops the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop:

And that the remaining sections of the Canon be renumbered accordingly.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 139.]

On motion of the Bishop of Kansas the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the Chairman request the Vice-President of this House to send to the family of the late Bishop Kinsolving of the Diocese of Texas an expression for this body of our appreciation and thanksgiving to God for the long and faithful service of our beloved Brother and our affectionate sympathy to his family in our common loss.

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis the following resolution of appreciation of Bishop Graves' service in China was made a Minute of the House and a copy thereof directed to be sent to Bishop Graves.

Resolution of Appreciation of Bishop Graves' Service in China

The undersigned, members of the Committee on Foreign Missions, take pleasure in informing this House that today, October 24, 1928, is
the seventieth birthday of the Bishop of Shanghai. We are confident that the House will desire to put on record an expression of its thankfulness to God for His blessings on the labors of this His servant.

Bishop Graves has spent his entire ministry of forty-seven years in China. Immediately after his graduation from the General Theological Seminary and his Ordination to the Diaconate in 1881, he went to China, first as a Missionary in Wuchang, and, since June 14, 1893, as Bishop of Shanghai. Those were the days of small things in our missionary enterprises in the Orient. There was but one Missionary District, few missionaries, schools only in an experimental stage, and hospitals small and inadequately equipped. Today, there are three Districts, with Bishops of this Church at their head, a splendid force of workers, Chinese and foreign, institutions which have gained the praise and support of the Chinese as of foreigners, and a National Church, well organized and firmly established, which is bound to play an important part in the evangelization and Christianization of the Chinese people.

Bishop Graves' part in these accomplishments has been a conspicuous one. Quietly and unobtrusively, with true devotion and unflagging faith, with wisdom and zeal, without compromise of principle, yet with sympathetic understanding, he has met the many crises which have arisen in China with courage and a broad vision. For many years the Presiding Bishop of the Church in China, until he resigned the office three years ago, he has impressed himself on all as a faithful and dependable leader, a wise guide, a humble follower of the Master whom he serves and to whom he has consecrated his life.

We extend to him our affectionate congratulations on his seventieth birthday, our best wishes for the years to come, and our appreciative recognition of the signal service he has rendered to Christ and His Church.

JOHN McKIM, Bishop of North Tokyo,
A. S. LLOYD, Suffragan Bishop of New York,
JAMES E. FREEMAN, Bishop of Washington,

L. H. ROOTS, Bishop of Hankow,
H. ST. G. TUCKER, Bishop of Virginia,
JOSEPH M. FRANCIS, Bishop of Indianapolis.

The Bishop of Atlanta for the Committee on Prayer Book presented the following report, embodying two resolutions, which was adopted:

REPORT No. 2. Your Committee has had referred to it the resolutions contained in the Fourth Division of the Fifth Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer, headed “A Liturgical Commission.” The Committee recommends the passage of the first resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That when the Standard Prayer Book of 1928 shall have been published and the so-called Mission Prayer Book prepared and published, this Joint Commission on the Revise and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer be discharged.

For the second resolution the Committee offers the following substitute:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That there be appointed a Standing Liturgical Commission, consisting of eight Bishops, eight Presbyters and eight Laymen, to be appointed by the Chairman of the two Houses, to which Commission may be referred, for preservation
and study, all matters relating to the Book of Common Prayer, with
the idea of developing and conserving for some possible future use, the
liturgical experience and scholarship of the Church.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 140.]

The Bishop of Sacramento for the Joint Commission on Home
and Family Life presented the following report:

Your Commission begs leave to report that it organized by the election
of the Bishop of Sacramento as Chairman and the Rev. George F.
Dudley, D.D., Secretary. This Commission has considered the resolution
of Mr. Overson of North Dakota, which is as follows:

WHEREAS, In most of the states of the Union there are no adequate
laws regulating the marriage of those who by reason of physical or
mental disease are unfit for the marital relations; and

WHEREAS, There is a close relation between divorce and our ill­
advised and variously administered marriage laws; and

WHEREAS, Many hasty and many runaway marriages would be pre­
vented by adequate marriage laws; and

WHEREAS, Much attention has been given to defects in our divorce
laws and very little attention given to laws regulating marriage; and

WHEREAS, The marriage of physically or mentally defective persons
frequently results in the birth of children mentally or physically defe­
tive, tending to the increase of suffering, misery and crime, much of
which would be prevented if the marriage of such persons were not
allowed by law; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Church urges
upon Federal and State authorities the enactment of laws for the regu­
lation of the marriage of those who are physically or mentally defective,
and urges upon its Clergy and Laity their co-operation in securing the
enactment and enforcement of adequate laws regulating the marriage of
such defectives; and be it farther

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That each member of
the House of Deputies and each Bishop of this Church be requested to
communicate with the Governor of their respective States having no
adequate laws on this subject, and to the members of State Legislatures
of the States in which they live, suggesting to such officials the desir­
ability of the passage of such laws.

The Commission recommends the adoption of Resolution No. 1, but
does not recommend Resolution No. 2.

Your Commission also recommends the passage of the following:

WHEREAS, The subjects to be taken under consideration by this Joint
Commission on Home and Family Life, are for the most part subject
matter which is considered in other Joint Commissions, such as:

The Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce and the Joint Com­
mission on Social Service; and

WHEREAS, No provision has been made for the expenses necessary to
the proper carrying on of this work, and the members of this Com­
mission do not feel justified in attempting to raise through private sub­
scriptions the funds needed for the carrying on of the work largely
overlapping that of these other Joint Commissions; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Commission be
discontinued.
The first resolution was referred to the Commission on Marriage and Divorce; the second resolution was not acted upon; and the third resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 138, superseding previous Message No. 105.]

The House proceeded to the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program taking up in order the resolutions contained in Message No. 119, from the House of Deputies:

The House concurred in Resolutions No. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia and the Bishop of California the following amendments to Resolution No. 14 were adopted:

"In the event of a vacancy existing in the Presidency of the House of Deputies, the Presiding Bishop shall appoint the Presbyters and Lay members of the Joint Committee."

"Whose duty it shall be to consider in advance the Program and Budget about to be reported by the National Council to the General Convention of 1931."

"The Committee to report such modifications of the Budget and its recommendations as they deem necessary after the submission of said Budget to the General Convention."

The House concurred in Resolution No. 14 as amended.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 142.]

On motion of the Bishop of New York the following resolution was adopted:

It is declared to be the sense of the House of Bishops, in adopting Resolution No. 5 of the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program, that the term "Current Expenses" does not include salaries of missionaries, automobile expenses of missionaries, insurance premiums on missionary Churches and Chapels and residences of missionaries—or any other items paid out of the missionary funds of the Diocese.

On motion of the Bishop of Mississippi the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Maintenance Budget of $4,350,000 presented to this Convention by the National Council represented a reduction of more than $200,000, from the estimates submitted to the Council by the Bishops and the Departments, and

WHEREAS, This Convention has made a further reduction of $129,830, in this Maintenance Budget, and

WHEREAS, This Convention has reaffirmed the "Pay-as-You-Go-Plan" whereby the National Council is required to adjust its expenditures to its estimated income, and

WHEREAS, Because of the two reductions already made there is no
room for further reductions without jeopardizing vital existing missionary work, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention urges every Diocese and Missionary District to use its utmost effort to secure from its parishes and missions and from such other sources as may be available, pledges which shall equal the full quota for the Maintenance Budget to the end that no further reduction in missionary work may be necessary.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 156.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 121. Twelfth Day of Session, Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 52, Section I., clause [i.], be amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"and for the purpose of such report the number of communicants shall be deemed to be the number of confirmed persons duly registered or enrolled on the records of the Parish or Congregation."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 122. Twelfth Day of Session, Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed to be known as the "Committee on the Adjustment of Quotas," which appointment shall be made immediately after the announcement of the tentative quotas for the next triennium;

Resolved further, That the membership of this Committee shall consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters and six Laymen;

Resolved further, That this Committee be asked to study these quotas, receive requests for revision from such Dioceses as may appeal to them and make such recommendations, as in their judgment are desirable, to the National Council;

Resolved further, That inasmuch as any reduction of quotas must lower the total amount needed to make up the General Budget the Committee shall take such steps as are necessary to secure an increase in their quotas, from such Dioceses as in their judgment seem able to do more than their assigned quotas;

Resolved further, That the Committee meet each year of the triennium after the annual Every Member Canvass to receive further requests for adjustments in cases of emergency, and recommend to the National Council at its February meeting such adjustments as the Committee may determine upon as both equitable and wise under changed conditions arising during the past year.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Davis of Western New York, the Rev. Dr. White of Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Wilson of Milwaukee, and Messrs. Barnes of Long
Island, Erwin of North Carolina, Kidde of Newark, Michael of Southwestern Virginia, Thomas of Maryland and Wyckoff of California.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Chairman appointed on the part of this House, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa and the Bishop of Massachusetts.

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


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 67, amending Canon 18, Section VII., [v.], regarding the retirement allowance of a Missionary Bishop.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Which was referred to the Committee on Canons and subsequently recalled by Message No. 135 of the House of Deputies.


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Custody of the Archives of the General Convention be empowered to make arrangements with the New York Historical Society, or some other appropriate body, for the temporary safekeeping, on such terms and under such conditions as the Committee may approve, of the Archives of the Church, keeping them in a safe and accessible place where access may be had to them for the purpose of examination and study, and be it further

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Committee be empowered to consider what permanent arrangement can be made for the permanent custody of the Archives in the Church, and to act in consultation with the National Council.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 148.]


The House of Deputies inform the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we commend the work of the American Bible Society to the generous support of the parishes and individuals of this Church, and that we suggest that this subject be brought before our parishes and missions on the Second Sunday in Advent.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 149.]
MESSAGE No. 126.  
Twelfth Day of Session,  
Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Rt. Rev. Frederick Rogers Graves, D.D., has completed forty years of loyal and effective service as a Missionary of this Church in China, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Graves will celebrate on Wednesday, October 24th, his seventieth birthday, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention express to Bishop Graves the profound appreciation of the whole Church of his long and sacrificial and effective service, and assure him of the prayers of the Church that he may be granted many more years in which to give to the cause of Christ his wise and consecrated leadership.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 154.]

MESSAGE No. 127.  
Twelfth Day of Session,  
Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 106, recommending that the declaration from the Clergy and People of the Diocese of South Florida be received and recorded in the Journal.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 128.  
Twelfth Day of Session,  
Tuesday, October 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 55, recommending the appointment of a Commission to take under sympathetic consideration the whole question relating to desirability of a change in or the dissolution of the Pastoral Relation, together with the question respecting the many unemployed Clergy who are urgently desirous of attaining parochial or missionary work.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Mr. Tucker of Georgia, the Rev. Mr. Kreitler of Bethlehem, the Rev. Dr. Byrer of Southern Ohio, and Messrs. George Block of Missouri, John R. Van Derlip of Minnesota and Wm. N. Redfield of Olympia.

Attest:  
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of New Jersey the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen be appointed to consider the status of Bishops, Coadjutor and Suffragan Bishops with a view to suggesting such changes in the Constitution and Canons as would provide for one class of Assistant or Auxiliary Bishops, to take the place of both Coadjutors and Suffragans.
The Chairman appointed the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Washington, on the part of this House.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 143.]

The Bishop of New York for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented the following reports, which were adopted:

REPORT No. 14. Your Committee has considered the following proposed amendment to the Constitution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article I., Section 2, of the Constitution be amended in the second line by inserting after the words "Bishop Coadjutor" the words "Suffragan Bishop."

The purpose of this proposed amendment is to give to Suffragan Bishops a vote as well as a seat in the House of Bishops. This question has already been acted upon during this session of the House of Bishops and your Committee is of the opinion that under Rule of Order XVIII. of this House the question cannot again be drawn into debate during the same session of the Convention except with the consent of two-thirds of the House. The Committee therefore asks to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

REPORT No. 15. Your Committee has considered the proposal referred to it at the request of the Committee on Canons to add Canon 10, Section 8, as already adopted the following words "in this case he shall not be entitled to a vote in the House of Bishops." The effect of this proposal would be to deprive a retired Bishop of his vote in the House of Bishops and your Committee reports that such an amendment to the Canon would be unconstitutional as it proposes to take away by Canon a right which is conferred by the Constitution. Your Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

REPORT No. 16. Your Committee has given consideration to Message No. 71 of the House of Deputies informing the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution:

Cancel Section 6 of Article II. of the Constitution and insert instead thereof a new section reading as follows:

Section 6. A Bishop may not resign his Episcopal charge without the consent either of the House of Bishops of the Church, or of the House of Bishops of the Province in which his office has been exercised, in either case under conditions provided by the Canons of the General Convention.

Your Committee begs to state that it has already considered this proposal to give to the House of Bishops of the Province the right to accept the resignations of Bishops and has reported that it is not prepared to recommend this amendment to the Constitution and its report has been accepted by this House. Your Committee therefore recommends that this House does not concur with Message No. 71 of the House of Deputies.

On motion the House did not concur.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 144.]
REPORT No. 17. Your Committee has considered Message No. 99 of the House of Deputies informing the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution:

Amend the last sentence of paragraph 4, Section 4, Article I., of the Constitution so that the same shall read as follows:

"In all cases of a vote by Orders, the two Orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote . . . shall exceed the sum of all other votes by at least one whole vote."

Your Committee recommends that the House of Bishops concurs with Message No. 99 of the House of Deputies.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 145.]

REPORT No. 18. Your Committee on Amendments to the Constitution respectfully reports to the House of Bishops that it has appointed Bishop Chauncey B. Brewster and the Bishop of New York to serve as members of the Joint Committee to certify changes in the Constitution finally adopted at this Convention in accordance with the provisions of Canon 63, Section 3.

The House adopted the foregoing report.

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky the following resolution was adopted:

The Committee on Rules recommends the following addition to Standing Order XII. calling for an annual meeting of the House of Bishops, namely:

"At the call of the Presiding Bishop."

On motion of the Bishop of Harrisburg the Rules of Order were suspended and the Bishop of Hankow was permitted to offer the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, Our present immigration and naturalization laws discriminate against oriental nations and are therefore not only a hindrance to missionary work but also a barrier to good will between ourselves and these nations; therefore

Be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That in the judgment of this General Convention our immigration and naturalization laws should be so modified as to remove this discrimination.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 160.]

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the following amendment to Canon 18, was adopted:

Provided that the Bishop seeking to be counted among the Clergy of a Diocese and to sit in its Diocesan Convention is not at the same time exercising his right (under Article I., Section 2) to vote in the House of Bishops.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 158.]
The Bishop of Vermont presented Report No. 18 of the Committee on Canons recommending that the House does not concur in Message No. 44 of the House of Deputies relative to the report of the Recorder at General Convention. The House adopted the recommendations of the Committee and did not concur in Message No. 44.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 159.]

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the following amendment to Canon 39, embodying a new section relative to Vagrant Clergy, was adopted:

If a minister comes under the class described in Section I. and the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District determines the best interests of the Church would not be served by presenting such minister for trial, the Bishop may transfer the minister by formal letters to the Presiding Bishop, who shall keep an official file of such ministers until they return to active service and are re-transferred on their own request or on the request of their Bishop to their former Diocese or District, or are otherwise disposed.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 157.]

The Chairman made the following appointments:

On the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce—the Bishop of Central New York.

On the Liturgical Commission—the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Bishop of California, Bishop Rhinelander, the Bishop of Western Massachusetts, Bishop N. S. Thomas, the Bishop of Montana, the Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina and the Bishop of Atlanta.

On motion of the Bishop of California on behalf of the Bishop of Albany the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops records its appreciation of the spiritual service rendered to the Nation by the President of the United States in his admirable address to this Convention at its meeting in the City of Washington. His recognition of true religion as the foundation of moral character and the guarantee of advancing civilization, encourages us in our belief that the State and the Church may aim at a common ideal without confusing their separate functions in the life of a free people.

We are profoundly grateful to the Bishop of Washington for his generous hospitality, and we acknowledge our sense of obligation to him and to the Cathedral Authorities for the inspiration which we have received from the noble building which is rising in holy beauty as a symbol of our national faith and our mission to mankind.

The Diocesan Executive Committee, under the direction of its Chairman, Rear Admiral Cary T. Grayson, has been notably successful in its arrangements for the work of the Convention as well as for the comfort and convenience of those who have attended its sessions.

Special credit is due to Mr. Hugh T. Nelson, General Secretary, for the efficient manner in which the plans of the Committee have been carried out.
The Motor Corps and Transportation Committee have shown great courtesy to the members of the Convention and have placed them under lasting obligation by their unfailing kindness.

Arrangements for the entertainment of the Bishops and the Clerical and Lay Deputies are deserving of the highest commendation and will be remembered with grateful appreciation.

The women of the Diocese of Washington have aided the spiritual purpose of the Church by presenting pageants illustrating the life of organized Christianity through ages past, and have given new impetus to our hopes and endeavors for the future.

We congratulate the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council on their noble contribution to the work of the Church through their un­sparing labors and the expressions of their devotion by the United Thank Offering of more than a million dollars. Their loving service has borne fruit in awakening new zeal on the part of the Church's Children, whose offering of more than one and a half millions of dollars for the work of the National Council indicates that Youth has accepted the Challenge to go forward to new heights of devotion and service.

The public press of Washington has been helpful by giving accurate information concerning the work of the Convention, and we are grateful for this co-operation in our efforts to promote the cause of Truth and righteousness.

The Convention of 1928 has been conspicuous for its unity of spirit in the accomplishment of important tasks, and we give thanks to Almighty God for the guidance of the Holy Spirit during these days of true fellowship and mutual effort to advance the cause of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

On motion of the Bishop of Michigan the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops express its appreciation of the patient and courteous attention which its members have received from the employees of the Willard Hotel and that the Management of the hotel be requested to communicate this resolution to their employees.

On motion of the Bishop of Southwestern Virginia a Preamble and Resolution on the Bishops' Conference on Rural Work was referred to the Joint Commission on Rural Work.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 120.

Twelfth Day of Session,
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following budget for the triennial period ending September 30, 1931, be adopted:

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the bills of the Registrar for the expenses of his office to a sum not exceeding $100.00 for the triennial period and a further sum not to exceed $150.00 for expenses incurred upon the consecration of Bishops.

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay only such bills for printing, stationery, binding, postage and other incidental expenses, as shall have
been approved and countersigned by the Chairman of the Committee on Expenses, or in his absence, or inability to act, by some other member of that Committee.

That all printing, the expense of which is to be borne by this Convention, required by any Committee, or Commission, during the interval between the meetings of General Convention, shall be done under the direction of the Secretary of the House of Deputies.

That the Secretary of the House of Deputies be instructed to have printed not exceeding 3,000 copies of the Journal, including the Constitution and Canons and also a separate edition of the Constitution and Canons, the number thereof to be at his discretion; it being understood that the usual custom regulating their distribution will be followed.

That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Bishops shall be $1,000.00 for the first year, and $100.00 for each succeeding year, until the next General Convention, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

That the Treasurer also be authorized to pay not to exceed $600.00 for the traveling expenses of said Secretary, while in the performance of the duties of his office, during the triennial period.

That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Deputies shall be $2,100.00 for the first year, and $600.00 for each succeeding year, until the next General Convention, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

That the sum of $300.00 be paid to each Assistant Secretary of each House by the Treasurer.

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer a sum not exceeding $50.00 for expenses incurred by him during the triennial period.

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Recorder for services in recording the Ordinations in the Church, the sum of $100.00 per annum, and for expenses a sum not exceeding $100.00 for the triennial period.

That the Treasurer also be instructed to pay for the purposes and up to the amounts named, where necessary, as follows:

For the expenses of the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer the sum of $50.00 for expenses already or hereafter to be incurred.

For the expenses of the Joint Commission on Enlarging the Powers of the Provinces, already incurred, a sum not to exceed $300.00.

For the expenses of the Joint Committee on the Federal Council of Churches, already incurred a sum not exceeding $75.00.

For the expenses of the Committee on Canons a sum not to exceed $150.00.

For other expenses during the coming triennial period based on the experience of similar previous periods, a sum not to exceed $5,000.00.

For the Joint Commission to Study the Whole Problem of Divorce, for expenses already incurred a sum not to exceed $600.00.

For the Joint Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry, for expenses already incurred a sum not exceeding $600.00.

For the expenses in engraving the resolutions to be presented to the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Archbishop of York, the sum of $200.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary.
The assessment already authorized of $5.00 on each Diocese for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon canonically resident therein will be enough to meet all of these expenses, amounting to about $27,000.00, unless something unforeseen arises.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Harrisburg the following amendment was adopted:

That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Bishops shall be $2,100 for the first year, and $600 for each succeeding year, until the next General Convention, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message as amended.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 146.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 129. Thirteenth Day of Session, Wednesday, October 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That an appropriation not exceeding $1,000.00 be made for the uses and purposes of the Joint Committee on Archives, and that the Treasurer be instructed to pay the same.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 150.]

MESSAGE No. 130. Thirteenth Day of Session, Wednesday, October 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has not concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 118, amending Canon 39 by the addition of a new Section II.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 131. Thirteenth Day of Session, Wednesday, October 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 114, amending Canon 5 by the insertion of a new Section VII.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 132. Thirteenth Day of Session, Wednesday, October 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Section VI. of Canon 51 be amended by inserting in the sixth line thereof, before the word "five," the words "not more than"; and by adding at the end of
the ninth line of such section the words: "The amount of such assess­
ment shall be determined by the Committee on Expenses."

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 153.]

MESSAGE No. 133. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has not con­
curred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution con­
tained in its Message No. 117, amending Article XI. of the Constitution, line 9.

But that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 117, in amending Article I., Part 3, of the Constitution, line 7.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 134. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The subjects to be taken under consideration by this Joint Commission on Home and Family Life, are for the most part subject matter which is considered in other Joint Commissions, such as:

The Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce and the Joint Commission on Social Service; and

WHEREAS, No provision has been made for the expenses necessary to the proper carrying on of this work and the members of this Commis­

sion do not feel justified in attempting to raise through private subscrip­tions the funds needed for the carrying on of the work largely over­lapping that of these other Joint Commissions; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Commission be discontinued.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 151.]

MESSAGE No. 135. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has reconsidered its action on Message No. 67 of the House of Bishops and begs to recall its Message No. 123 concurring therewith and offers the following in its place:

That the House of Deputies has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 67, amending Canon 18, Section VII., [v.], with the following amendment:

Strike out all the words that follow the word "retirement."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 155.]
MESSAGE No. 136. Thirteenth Day of Session, Wednesday, October 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 136, recommending that the Form of Parochial Report for 1928, submitted by the Board of Church Finance, be approved, and that a syllabus explaining the correct use of it accompany each report, and that the Joint Committee on Parochial Reports be discharged.

Attest:
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 137. Thirteenth Day of Session, Wednesday, October 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 134, reaffirming the substance of the resolutions furthering the cause of peace adopted by the General Convention of 1925.

Attest:
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 138. Thirteenth Day of Session, Wednesday, October 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 130, recommending that the Commission on Permanent Location of National Headquarters be continued and authorized to report to the next General Convention.

Attest:
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 139. Thirteenth Day of Session, Wednesday, October 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Cordial and enlightened co-operation between Church and press is an important factor in the advancement of Christian civilization, and

WHEREAS, The public press in its reports on the proceedings of the General Convention has not only given generously of its space but has also both in tone and substance intelligently reflected the spirit and actions of this Convention, thus emphasizing a gratifying increase of sympathy and understanding between the Church and the press, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we express our hearty appreciation to the publishers, editors and reportorial representatives of the Washington newspapers, the Associated Press, the United Press, the International News, the Universal Service, and all the other newspapers and press organizations which have been represented, and to the Publicity Department of the National Council for the valuable services rendered to the whole Church.

Attest:
CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 152.]

MESSAGE No. 140. Thirteenth Day of Session, Wednesday, October 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 38, recommending:
(1) That the Presiding Bishops be requested to lead the General Convention in Joint Session in a suitable corporate act of thanksgiving to Almighty God for the blessing and guidance which He has given to the World Conference on Faith and Order.

(2) That a suitable message of thanks of the Convention be transmitted to the Continuation Committee.

(3) That the Continuation Committee be informed that in the judgment of the General Convention the World Conference should be continued.

(4) That the Commission of this Church on the World Conference on Faith and Order be continued, and be instructed to appoint a special committee of theologians and scholars for the purpose of assisting the Commission to consider and report to the next General Convention on the Lausanne Reports.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the affectionate congratulations of this House be extended to the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa on the sixteenth anniversary of his Consecration as a Bishop.

The Bishop of Indianapolis for the Committee on Foreign Missions presented the following Report No. 3, which was adopted with its two resolutions, as follows:

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Report No. 3. The Presiding Bishop has referred to this Committee a communication from the General Synod of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui, submitted by the Bishop in North China, acting Chairman of the House of Bishops of the Church in China, requesting "the formal recognition by the Home Churches which have not yet granted it, of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui as a branch of the Anglican Communion, having the right to proceed under its own Canons and Standing Orders, and on its own initiative, in all things dealt with in those Canons and Standing Orders."

Your Committee has considered this communication with great care, and, in order to elucidate the question raised, calls to your attention the complicated situation existing in China and Japan. In each of those countries there is a National Church, composed of the converts brought into the Church through the three Anglican Missions—English, Canadian, and American. These National Churches have an organization similar to that of the Church in this country. Each has its House of Bishops, or its Bishops' Meeting, and its House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, its General and Diocesan Synods, etc. There are also Missionary Districts of the foreign Churches under foreign Bishops. The Missionary Bishops and Clergy must sign a promise of conformity to the doctrine, discipline and worship of the National Church of the country in which they are working, in order to secure a status in that Church. Our Missionary Bishops and Clergy have, therefore, a dual allegiance; they act as Clergy of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui or of the Nippon Sei Kokwai and as Clergy of the Churches in which they were ordained and under whose commission they are working. The native Clergy and Christians in these two countries owe allegiance to their National Churches only.
Your Committee is in full sympathy with the National aspirations of China and of the Chinese Church, and desires to co-operate in every possible way with the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui in its effort to realize its position as an independent, autonomous National Church. Action already taken in this House is an evidence of this desire. In 1916 "the autonomy of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui was recognized and its was declared to be fully competent to elect and consecrate its own native Bishops."

In 1922 a Report of your Committee on Foreign Missions was adopted, which provided that "so long as it shall be necessary for this Church to send Missionary Bishops to China, this House cannot relinquish its canonical right and duty to elect them in accordance with the Constitution and Canons of the Church in the United States; but while this House cannot determine the future action of the Bishops, it expresses its conviction that a nomination for the Missionary Episcopate in China, made in accordance with the plan suggested in the Standing Orders of the Church in China, and presented by a member of this House, would receive courteous and sympathetic consideration."

This House further expressed its concurrence with the House of Bishops of the Church in China in its opinion that the consecration of Bishops for China should be held in China, and it recommended to the Presiding Bishop that he should take Order for the consecration of Missionary Bishops for China, whenever possible, in that country.

Your Committee recommends that this action, previously taken, be reaffirmed, and it is of the opinion that this is as far as we can go at present, for, while we recognize that the Church in China must act under its own Constitution and Canons in all matters pertaining to its doctrine, discipline, and worship, we also recognize that the Church in the United States is equally bound by its Constitution and Canons.

As a reply to the communication from the General Synod of the Church in China, which is under review, your Committee recommends that the following statement be adopted and forwarded to the authorities of the Church in China.

The House of Bishops of the Church in the United States has heard with thankfulness of the continued growth of the Chinese Church and of its steadfastness in the Faith. It appreciates the assurance contained in the resolutions of the General Synod that the Church in China is ready to give the fullest consideration to the claims of our Church authorities in America to be consulted in many ways, based on their continued help in staffing and supporting its work. Through the Missionaries whom we sent to China and by means of the institutions which we maintain there, we are endeavoring to assist the Chinese Church until it is able to attain full self-support.

We would call the attention of the authorities of the Church in China to the fact that the work which the American Church carries on in our three Missionary Districts is one which requires the work of many missionaries and involves a large expenditure and that the Missionary Bishops of these Districts are responsible for the oversight of the missionaries and of the expenditure of the funds which this Church supplies; and, further, that in the matter of the election of Missionary Bishops this Church is obliged to follow the procedure laid down in its own Constitution and Canons, but that our House of Bishops is always ready to give respectful consideration to a nomination presented by the House of Bishops of the Shung Hua Sheng Kung Hui, as provided in its Standing Order.
In so acting we desire to be understood as in no way intending to disregard the due rights of the Chinese Church. Furthermore, this Church reaffirms its acknowledgment of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui as a branch of the Catholic Church with which it is in full communion and recognizes its right to act in all things pertaining to its own Canons and Standing Orders.

Your Committee, therefore, offers the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, That the above statement be communicated to the General Synod of the Church in China as a reply to the communication of that Body to the Presiding Bishop.

2. Resolved, That a Committee of three Bishops be appointed to confer with the authorities of the Church in China looking to any further adjustments that may be desired in the relations of the Church in the United States with the Church in China, and to report to this House at a subsequent meeting any action that may be contemplated.

(Signed) JOSEPH M. FRANCIS, Chairman.

Attest: (Signed) H. ST. GEORGE TUCKER, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Oregon the following resolution was adopted:

Be it Resolved, That this House records its appreciation of the conscientious painstaking and efficient work of the Secretary of this House, the Rev. Dr. Pardee, and of his able assistant, the Rev. Dr. J. F. Plumb, who has served this House in that capacity for twelve years, and of his assistant, the Rev. J. H. Fitzgerald.

The Bishop of Oregon for the Committee on Domestic Missions presented the following report which was adopted:

REPORT No. 5. WHEREAS, The Bishop of Utah, as appointed Bishop of Nevada, has given much time, thought and labor to furthering the work in the District of Nevada in addition to his arduous duties as Bishop of Utah, and,

WHEREAS, He has willingly, generously and joyfully taken on this additional work for the past five years at request of the Presiding Bishop; be it

Resolved, That this House records its deep gratitude to the Bishop of Utah and commends him for the sacrifice he has made, for his labors and for the fine spirit in which he has applied himself to the work and problems in Nevada.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned until tomorrow morning at ten o'clock.

FOURTEENTH DAY

THURSDAY, October 25, 1928.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of Olympia reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.
The Bishop of Vermont reported for the Committee on Canons embracing recommendation that the House does not concur in Message No. 121 of the House of Deputies. The House adopted the report and did not concur.

The Bishop of Vermont requested a Committee on Conference with a Committee of the House of Deputies on Message No. 123.

The request was granted and the Chairman appointed the Bishop of Vermont and the Bishop of California.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 161.]

The Chairman read a telegram from Bishop Paddock expressing his regret in not being able to attend the Convention. By a rising vote the Chairman was requested to send affectionate greetings to Bishop Paddock.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 141.

The House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that the same may be adopted by the next General Convention, in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution:

Amend the second and third sentences of Article X. of the Constitution to read:

"No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one Triennial meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese and of the convocation of every Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States of America, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention or Missionary District Convocation at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding Triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies and all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States voting by Orders, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical Order and one vote in the Lay Order, and each Missionary District having a one-fourth vote in the Clerical Order, and a one-fourth vote in the Lay Order. Provided, however, that the General Convention at any meeting shall have power to amend the Table of Lessons and all Tables and Rubrics relating to the use of the Psalms by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, and all the Missionary Districts within
the boundaries of the United States, voting by Orders as previously laid down in this Article."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 163.]

MESSAGE No. 142. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 135, electing as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to serve until 1934 the Bishop of Indianapolis, the Bishop of Rhode Island, the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York and the Bishop of Long Island.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 144. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That when the Standard Prayer Book of 1928 shall have been published, this Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer be discharged.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 165.]

MESSAGE No. 145. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That there be appointed a continuing Liturgical Commission consisting of eight Bishops, eight Presbyters, and eight Laymen, to be appointed by the Chairmen of the two Houses, to which Commission may be referred such matters as are not finally determined at any Convention by action upon the recommendation of the Prayer Book Committees of the Houses; and to which Commission reference could be made for advice on the part of any desiring it, when occasion arises for the use of special offices or forms; such Commission to have power to fill vacancies, and to add to their number.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. John W. Suter, D.D., of Massachusetts,
The Rev. Henry Cummey, D.D., of Pennsylvania,
The Rev. L. M. Robinson, D.D., of Pennsylvania,
The Rev. H. B. St. George, D.D., of Milwaukee,
The Rev. Milo H. Gates, D.D., of New York,
The Rev. H. M. Dinslow of New York,
The Rev. C. M. Addison, D.D., of Massachusetts,
The Rev. G. M. Atwater, D.D., of Long Island,
Mr. George Zabriskie of New York,
Mr. Wm. C. Sturgis of Colorado,
Mr. John Stewart Bryan of Virginia,
Mr. Joseph G. Minot of Massachusetts,
Mr. Chas. S. Baldwin of New York,
Mr. J. Randolph Anderson of Georgia,
Mr. F. C. Morehouse of Milwaukee,
Mr. George Wharton Pepper of Pennsylvania.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The Message was held over to await a further Message from the House of Deputies. (See Message No. 172 of the House of Deputies.)

MESSAGE No. 146. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 43, recommending that the Joint Commission on the Relation of the Church to the Army and Navy Chaplains' Corps be continued, and so notified the House of Bishops in Message No. 46.

This is to notify the House of Bishops that the President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. H. Percy Silver, D.D., of New York,
The Very Rev. Henry B. Washburn, D.D., of Massachusetts,
The Rev. W. Cosby Bell, D.D., of Virginia,
The Rev. Edward S. Travers, D.D., of Missouri,
The Rev. Otis E. Gray of Kansas,
Lt. Col. Clayton E. Wheat, U. S. A.,
Mr. Arthur E. Newbold, Jr., of Pennsylvania,
Major Gen. Wm. C. Rivers, U. S. A.,
Major Gen. John J. Lejeune, U. S. A.,
Major Gen. Chas. P. Summerall, U. S. A.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 150. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui and the Nippon Sei Kokwai are self-governing Churches in China and Japan respectively, each with its own Constitution and Canons, its Diocesan and General Synods; and

WHEREAS, The Missionary Districts of our Japan and China Missions are integral parts of these self-governing Churches, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission of the two Houses of General Convention consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen be appointed to consider what changes, if any, should be made in our Constitution and Canons in the sections governing our relations to these Churches, and to report to the next General Convention.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Powell of California, the Rev. Dr. Maxon of Michigan, and Messrs. Van Derlip of Minnesota and Seymour of Long Island.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Chairman appointed on the part of this House, the Bishop of Indianapolis and the Bishop of Virginia.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 162.]

MESSAGE No. 151. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolutions contained in its Messages Nos. 36 and 36A, recommending that a Commission be appointed from our younger theologians to act with the Commissions of Methodist and Presbyterian Churches, and report to the next General Convention.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Humphries of Maryland,
The Rev. Dr. Dudley of Washington,
The Rev. Dr. Clingman of Alabama, and
Messrs. Clements of Harrisburg, Henry of Iowa and Balthis of Western North Carolina.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 152. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 55, recommending that a Commission be appointed to take under consideration the whole question relating to the desirability of a change in or the dissolution of the Pastoral Relation, together with the question respecting the many unemployed Clergy who are urgently desirous of attaining parochial or missionary work.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Mr. Tucker of Georgia, the Rev. Mr. Kreitler of Bethlehem, the Rev. Dr. Byrer of Southern Ohio, and Messrs. Block of Missouri, Van Derlip of Minnesota and Redfield of Olympia.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 111, recommending that the Commission on Church Flag and Seal be continued, the personnel on the part of this House being as follows:

The Rev. Dr. Colladay of Connecticut, the Rev. Dr. Easton of New York, the Rev. Dr. Owens of Louisiana, and Messrs. Baldwin of Long Island, Cram of Massachusetts and Zabriskie of New York.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis the House reconsidered its action in adopting yesterday the second resolution in Report No. 3, of the Committee on Foreign Missions.
On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the second resolution in this report was rescinded because of our concurrence with the House of Deputies in their Message No. 160, appointing a Joint Commission to consider any changes necessary in Constitution and Canons governing our relation to the Japanese and Chinese Churches.

On motion of the Bishop of New York the Commission to consider the Opportunities for Recreation and Social Intercourse for Working Men and Possibilities of Establishing Men's Institutes was discontinued.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 143.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following be elected as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to serve until 1934:

The Rev. L. T. Cole, D.D.,
The Rev. ZeB. T. Phillips, D.D.,
The Rev. Caleb R. Stetson, D.D.,
The Rev. Malcolm Douglas,
The Very Rev. Stephen McGinley,
Mr. George Zabriskie,
Mr. A. DuPont Parker,
Mr. Frank A. Polk,
Mr. Stephen Baker,
Mr. John Nicholas Brown.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 174.]

On motion of the Bishop of Washington the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that the Committee of Arrangements of the General Convention to be held in Denver in 1931, be requested to make plans for the fuller presentation of reports from the Missionary Bishops of the Church.

The House took a recess until noon.

On the reassembling of the House at twelve o'clock the Chairman announced the death this morning of the Bishop of Honolulu.

The Vice-Chairman bade the House to Prayer.
The Chairman requested the Vice-Chairman of this House to send to the family of the late Bishop of Honolulu an expression of this body of our appreciation and thanksgiving to God for the long and faithful service of our beloved brother and our affectionate sympathy to his family in our common loss.

On motion of the Bishop of Fond du Lac the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops desires to express its appreciation of the noble work of the Commission on Evangelism, and our gratitude to God for the awakening of the Church on this subject as manifested in this General Convention, and be it further

*Resolved*, That this House commends to the Commission the serious consideration of the inauguration of a Children's Crusade for increasing the number of students in our Sunday Church Schools, and the increase of devotion and practical training of children in worship.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

**MESSAGE No. 154.**

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That the consent of this House be given to the Consecration of the Reverend Thomas Jenkins, to be Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Nevada.

Attest: 

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

**MESSAGE No. 155.**

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the next General Convention, to be held in Denver, Colorado, in 1931, shall meet on the Wednesday after the second Sunday in September of that year.

Attest: 

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 166.]

**MESSAGE No. 156.**

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 139, amending Canon 17 by introducing a new section to be numbered Section 1., and that the remaining sections of the Canon be renumbered accordingly.

Attest: 

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

**MESSAGE No. 157.**

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained
in its Message No. 141, recommending that the Report of the Commission to Consider Canon for Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons with a view to clarifying and simplifying the same be referred back to the Commission.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 158. Fourteenth Day of Session, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 156, recommending that this Convention urges every Diocese and Missionary District to use its utmost effort to secure from its parishes and missions and from such other sources as may be available, pledges which shall equal the full quota for the Maintenance Budget to the end that no further reduction in missionary work be necessary.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 159. Fourteenth Day of Session, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in the amendments adopted in Message No. 142, to Resolutions Nos. 4 and 14 of the Committee on Budget and Program.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received its Message No. 161, and agrees to a Committee of Conference, and this House appoints as members of such Committee the Rev. Dr. White of Ohio and Mr. Seymour of Long Island.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York reported the organization of the Court of Review in the Trial of a Bishop with the Bishop of Ohio as President and the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York as Secretary.

On motion the report was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the Rules of Order were suspended and the House reconsidered its action on continuing the Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on "Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry" be discharged.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 167.]
The Chairman announced the acceptance by the Reverend Thomas Jenkins of his election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Nevada.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the House concurred in Message No. 145 of the House of Deputies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 168.]

On motion of the Bishop of Louisiana the Secretary of the House was instructed to cause to be sent out notices informing the Bishops of the proposed revisions which failed to pass at this Convention on the certificate of the Bishop of Massachusetts for the Prayer Book Commission.

On motion of the Bishop of New Jersey the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that it considers the optional use of the old Book of Common Prayer is entirely consistent with loyalty to the Church, until such time as the Book authorized by the General Convention of 1928 be available for use.

The Bishop of Indianapolis presented a cablegram expressing the thanks of the Missionary District of Tohoku for the election of its Bishop.

On motion of the Bishop of Vermont the following Report of the Committee on Conference was adopted:

Your Committee of Conference reports that it has met and considered the matter submitted to it and finds that the implied definition of "communiate" in the proposed amendment to Canon 52, Section I., is a matter of too great importance, with its several implications to be considered on the last day of the session, and therefore we recommend the following:

Resolved, That this matter be left as unfinished business of this General Convention.

In regard to the other two Canons, the House of Bishops declined to recede from its position in regard to the Canon on Missionary Bishops unless the House of Deputies is willing to recede from its position on the status of Clergymen who have been absent for two years or more, and therefore submit the following:

Resolved, That this House concur in the amendment proposed by the House of Bishops in their Message No. 118, amending Canon 39 by the addition of a new Section II. (excepting for a change in the words "resident in" to the words "connected with" in the last line), so that it may read as follows:

"Sec. II. Whenever a Minister of this Church shall have been absent from the Diocese or Missionary District for a period of more than two years, and has failed to make the annual report so that his whereabouts are unknown, the Bishop may send the name of such Minister to the Presiding Bishop of the Church, who shall keep a list of such Minis-
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ters; but upon application of either the Bishop or the Minister himself, he shall be placed again upon the Diocesan list.

"While the Minister's name remains upon this list he shall not be considered as canonically connected with the Diocese."

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 161. Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 143, recommending the appointment of a Joint Committee to consider the status of Bishops Coadjutor and Suffragan Bishops, and the President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Powell of California, the Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York, the Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago, and Messrs. Morehouse of Milwaukee, Beale of Massachusetts and Battle of Texas.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 162. Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That there be appointed a Commission, to be composed of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, such Commission to consider and report to the National Council on the desirability of the formation of a National Organization of Laymen: if the Commission should recommend the creation of such an organization, and if in the opinion of the National Council it is deemed desirable that such organization be formed, the National Council is empowered to promulgate an outline of procedure to complete said organization.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Flint of Pittsburgh, the Rev. Dr. Brown of Maryland, the Rev. Mr. Atwater of Easton and Messrs. Kearny of Louisiana, Dearing of Florida and Harbison of Lexington.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the adoption of the above resolution.

The Presiding Bishop appointed on the part of this House, the Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia, the Bishop of Erie and the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 169.]

MESSAGE No. 163. Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 158, amending Canon 18, Section VII., new [viii.].

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
MESSAGE No. 164. Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the action of the House of Bishops reported in its Message No. 131.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 165. Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 157, amending Canon 39 by the addition of a new Section II.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 166. Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed the following as members of the Board of Church Finance:

The Rev. Mr. White of Newark,
Mr. Mather of Ohio,
Mr. Tully of Long Island,
Mr. Pruyn of Albany.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 170.]

MESSAGE No. 167. Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has not concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 160, concerning the modification of our immigration and naturalization laws to remove discrimination against oriental nations.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 168. Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 128, amending Canon 18, Section VIII., by the insertion of a new clause to become [viii.].

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 169. Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 146, with the following amendment:

That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Bishops shall be $1,500.00 for the first year, and $300.00 for each succeeding year, until
the next General Convention, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 171.]

MESSAGE No. 170. 

Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention express its thanks and appreciation to Mr. Frank S. Hight, Manager of the Willard Hotel, for his exceedingly generous assignment of the rooms in the Willard Hotel, the Ball Room for the assembly of the House of Bishops, the General Offices, the Post Office, the Press Room, the Automobile Room, for the period of the General Convention without charge, and for the many courtesies to the Convention, collectively and individually, during the period of the Convention's stay in the City of Washington, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr. Frank S. Hight, Manager, by the Secretary of the Convention.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 172.]

MESSAGE No. 171. 

Fourteenth Day of Session, Thursday, October 25, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church has learned with gratification that the Trustees of the Near East Relief have undertaken an underwriting campaign to raise six million dollars for the liquidation of obligations and the conservation of results; and

WHEREAS, It is a special cause of gratification that the Near East Relief has in its final budget made provision for the conservation of the religious forces of the Near East through the strengthening of the ancient native Churches, and also that, having begun to minister to the neglected Assyrian Race, it has now made generous provision for their future welfare; be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we heartily endorse this final effort of the Near East Relief to discharge its duty, and urge both Clergy and Laity to respond generously and co-operate whole-heartedly, and be it further,

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this resolution is adopted with the understanding that, in consideration of such co-operation, irrespective of the outcome of the campaign, no phase of the program be neglected, and that adequate provision be made for the welfare of Nations heretofore largely neglected, and that the supervision of this program as far as the co-operation of the Episcopal Church is concerned be referred to the National Council.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 173.]
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 140, and the members appointed by the President on the part of this House will be found in House of Deputies Message No. 145.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 167, recommending that the Joint Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry be discharged.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops be advised that this House has completed all the business on its Calendar, and requests to be informed whether the House of Bishops has any further communications to make to this House.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that its Message No. 169 has been received, and that this House has concluded all its business, and is now ready to adjourn, sine die.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion the Secretary was directed to notify the House of Deputies that the House of Bishops had completed its business and stood ready to adjourn to meet with the House of Deputies in the Church of the Epiphany at 2:30 P.M.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 175.]

The Minutes of the day were read and approved.

The Presiding Bishop pronounced the Benediction and the House stood adjourned sine die.

Attest.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Presiding Bishop,
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
A PASTORAL LETTER

Dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

In sending you at the close of General Convention our message of pastoral interest, warning and encouragement, we, your Bishops, desire especially to emphasize certain responsibilities which, growing out of the very nature of the Church itself, rest as obligations upon us all.

The Christian Church is a society to which has been intrusted the preservation and propagation of the Gospel and through which normally men find salvation in union with God. But it is more than that. The Church is the Body of Christ and Christ is the representative of all humanity. The Church, His Body, is in ideal and ought to be in fact the prophecy of human destiny. It foreshadows the right relations of men to God and one another. When we speak of it as the family of God, we mean rightly do so only in this prophetic sense. It is the inner group of the great family of all mankind, the group which is conscious of the sonship that belongs to all. Its function is not to draw men out from the human family but to make that family conscious of its real relation to God. The Kingdom for which the Church works and prays comes when men live like brothers in loving obedience to their Heavenly Father.

Civilization depends upon control of those divisive forces which prevent a family life. Progress as the Christian sees it is the overcoming of those same divisive forces by the power of God. Unity is its goal. Love, brotherhood, fellowship are only varying names of the spiritual means and motive by which men reach this goal. The Kingdom of God is the society in which the divisive forces are overcome and the goal is reached.

If the unity of society is the goal of man's striving, it is obvious that for the Church which foreshadows that goal and has to lead society to it, unity is no subsidiary or chance ideal. It is essential. If the Kingdom of God is to come among men the unity of the Church must be won. The forces which by setting men against one another continually threaten society obviously cannot be conquered by a Church which has not conquered them itself. A divided Church implies a yet unconquered world. Yes, admits it, accepts it. In playing our part then as loyal Christians and Church people in the great and moving drama of life, we cannot escape the call to unity. One family of God, one world, one Church. By example, by service, by prayer we must seek unity.

We must begin with our own Church. No communion in Christendom has in respect to unity a more complex task than ours. Catholic in our unbroken continuity with the Christian ages and in the fullness of our Christian heritage, Protestant in our participation in the great 16th century movement of reformation and freedom, we have in the good Providence of God succeeded during four hundred years in holding together in some fashion those two fundamental types of religious experience and expression. But the extremes are far apart and often seem impossible to reconcile. The tension is at times severe.

We feel it today here in America as throughout our whole communion. One group seeks a fuller measure of what it counts Catholic. Another group is sick at heart lest some of those great values which we gained at the Reformation may be lost. One prays hopefully for reunion with the Church of Rome; the other seeks continually closer relations with Protestantism. In all this and much more which on the surface indicate irreconcilable differences we would see rather the working of forces which are alive, the evidence of the Church's attempt to meet the continually new conditions of a world which moves forward with terrifying rapidity. We see witnessed the great truth that Christianity is not a
narrow one-sided carefully codified section of life; but a divine creative force sweeping into human history, seizing upon human souls with immeasurable power, resistless in its grip upon every aspect of life, making partisans as well as statesmen, prophets as well as priests. A Church which did not have new movements continually stirring its depths; in which there were no old hearts in despair and no young hearts aflame with indignation or kindled by visions of the City of God, would, we venture to believe, be a dead Church.

The divisions among us are not to be mourned over. They are to be conquered. They are not causes for despair. They are challenges to the width of our view, the depth of our love, the soberness of our wisdom, and the steadfastness of our loyalty. If Catholic and Protestant cannot find a way to live together, and to worship together the one Lord whom both adore, “then is our faith vain. We are yet in our sins.”

Two practical considerations are important. One concerns especially the Clergy. There is little or no excuse for individualistic extremes such as often disturb the peace of the Church and its normal life. Let us have prophets, let us have life and initiative, but let us remember that there is a norm of teaching and of worship in the Prayer Book. The ordination vows of the Clergy pledge them to loyalty to “the doctrine, discipline and worship” of this Church. These great words are nowhere accurately defined, but for a loyal priest desirous of doing his work honestly, not obscure in meaning! Loyalty does not consist in meticulous obedience to the letter of rubrics and canons. Such obedience may be rendered accompanied by real disloyalty to the spirit of the Church. Loyalty means the honest attempt to understand, to enter into and to express in one’s ministry that spirit. It means the use of Prayer Book language, and the careful distinction between what is Church law or doctrine and what is merely the individual’s wish or opinion. It does not forbid reaching out to the best in Christian experience wherever found. It does forbid the submerging of established usage in alien rites. It does not forbid freedom of criticism. It does forbid subversive conduct. Honest loyalty among the Clergy breeds confidence and a sense of security among the Laity. It is one great contribution to the task of unity.

But the responsibility for unity rests upon Laity as well as upon Clergy; and for all there is, to use St. Paul’s phrase, a “still more excellent way,” the old way of love. We have no right to distrust one another. No group of men is trying by insidious propaganda to wreck the Church. There is and ought to be the frank effort upon the part of Clergy and Laity to further truth as they see it. But we are all Christian brothers. We have the same Heavenly Father and the same Master Christ. Instead of setting ourselves in opposite camps and labeling ourselves with partisan names we need to worship and work, to study and confer together. Our differences can be overcome not by the victory of one side over another, not by driving out the Catholics or defeating the Protestants but by the readjustment of the relation of truths and the discovery of new perspectives. We must seek the conscious and intelligent reconciliation of apparently irreconcilable views. Hitherto we have made an insecure reconciliation through our instinctive desire to hold together, but in many parts of the Church where in earnest fellowship our Christian tasks have been undertaken as common tasks, the goal we are seeking has come appreciably nearer. This General Convention with its fine unity of spirit is a striking illustration of such a result. Let us move on and with the guidance of the Spirit of Truth make unity secure by clearness of thinking warmed by the power of love, and complete trust in one another.

Next to our responsibility as Christians for the strengthening and
deepening of the unity of our own Church lies our responsibility for
advancing the unity of the Church of Christ throughout the world. Of
all the great movements which have stirred men's imagination and cap-
tured their allegiance during the last generation none has gained more
rapidly than that of reunion. Thirty years ago men spoke of it as a
mere dream. It has become a matter of practical and immediate concern.
The Edinburgh Conference in 1910, the Lambeth Appeal of 1920, the
Stockholm Conference of 1925, the Lausanne Conference of 1927, the
Jerusalem meeting of the International Missionary Council in 1928, all
witness the fact that Christians are beginning to understand that a
divided Church is by the very nature of Christianity an indefensible—yes
an impossible thing. To the extent that division exists Christ is absent.
If we tolerate division (again let us say it), "we are yet in our sins."

This is not the place to discuss in detail the various problems which
must be met and overcome in the difficult search for unity. But three
principles should be borne constantly in mind by every loyal Churchman.
The first is that every baptized Christian is a member of the Catholic
Church. Whatever his ecclesiastical name, he belongs to the great com­
pany of the elect; he knows something of the love of God in the Person
of Jesus Christ. Saintship is the monopoly of no communion. The
unnamed saints of some obscure group of Christians may know as much
of God as those whose names adorn our calendars. Such a truth must
drive from our hearts arrogance and exclusiveness. It must make us
hospitable to all truth, charitable, of comprehensive thought, with a
vision of the Catholic Church big enoug~

Where Christ dwells there
must we be
content to be found.

But as we move towards unity in this spirit of Christian love we must
move in practical ways. And we must move! We cannot wait for a
day when through some miraculous Divine intervention unity will drop
upon us like a New Jerusalem from the heavens. We must seek for
unity where the response is likely. In some directions the doors are for
the present closed. But others are open. We must try those doors. We
must be ready to go forward, to do something. We must dare to be
misunderstood. We have heard it said that in America the Episcopal
Church has led in the movement
towards unity until now other Chris­t
ians are ready to go forward, but that facing such a practical possibility
the Episcopal Church holds back. That must not be.

But that brings us to our last point in reference to Church unity. No
work of the leaders can bring unity without the co-operation of the
people. Although unity cannot come without the careful scholarship of
theologians and the wise statesmanship of responsible officials; neither
can it come without the warm and vital interest, the loyal prayer, the
sacrificial purpose of the rank and file of Christian people. Our Lord
Jesus Christ summons us to unity. We must obey the summons.

The summons to unity is no less clear when we look out upon—our
task in the world. The mission of the Church, as we have already said,
is the discovery to men of their relation of sonship to God and therefore
of the unity which must be achieved if that sonship is to be made a
living thing. The forces which divide men, selfishness, greed, lust, must
be overcome by the power of God's love in Jesus Christ. The Kingdom
of God is come when human society has achieved its unity in Christ.

This mission is no mere voluntarily chosen policy. It is the very life
of the Church. The Body of Christ has no other mission than to make
all men part of Christ. Whether the Church works in New York or in
Hankow; whether it teaches social justice or teaches little children, its
aim is the same. Whether it concerns itself with the great problem of
peace among the nations or the lesser problem of peace in a New Eng­
lend mill strike, or in the intricate personal problem of peace in a
quarreling family, its aim is the same. The love of God in Christ must
bring unity. Divisive forces must be overcome.

The most momentous task which faces the world of today is the war­
fare against war. Again and again the voices of prophets and states­
men have been raised to tell us that if war is not destroyed Christian
civilization must be. That we believe is exaggeration. Christ is too
strongly intreached in human society to be conquered by war no matter
how world-wide. God's purposes are too staple to be made mock of in
the end by man's ignorance and wickedness. But war is destructive of
what Christ stands for. War is degrading, brutal, bestial, like the devil
the father of lies and hatred. It assaults all that dignifies and beautifies
human life. It violates the sanctities of the soul. It hurls defiance at
the Christian faith that men are the family of God. It challenges the
Church of Christ to action.

Now it is not the business of the Christian Church to control govern­
ments. It cannot lay down in detail those plans and projects which it is
the business of government to formulate and carry out. But it is the
business of the Church to speak in no uncertain way concerning the
Christian view of life and the relations of men and nations to one
another. It is its business to guide the Christian conscience in its
approach to all such matters. It cannot therefore look on indifferently
at war or what makes for war. It must put moral force behind the
efforts for peace and a law governed world. Christ summons us to
world unity as He does to Church unity. Such effort we would have
you see is but part of the great mission of the Church.

In contrast with the vast reaches of the task of ending war or of
restoring the unity of Christ's Church our own Church's mission as
expressed in what we call its program seems small. It is, as measured
in numbers, be they of persons or of dollars. It is not, as measured in
eternal values. It is the same task of bringing unity in God's great
family.

The money which we contribute for carrying out the Church's program
in nation, Diocese and parish is our part in that task. The missionary
whom we thus send out is preaching everywhere, as he preaches the
Gospel, the message of the unity of men in God. The teacher in the
parish school at home is helping the children of the Church to grow up
in full knowledge of what their sonship really means. The social service
worker is revealing the unity as well as the dignity of human life. The
evangelist on the city streets is stirring the sleeping sense of kinship
which lies hidden in all men's souls.

Varied messages and varied efforts they are which through support of
its program we make possible for the Church, but all are guided by the
same great ideal. All spring from the love of God which we His chil­
dren know in Jesus Christ. All aim to transform this world of hating,
covetous, warring men, dishonoring in their strife the Heavenly Father,
al aim, we say, to put love for hate, peace and law for strife and chaos.
All would create out of this bitter competitive struggle the co-operative
life of the family of God.

These efforts are our efforts, dear brethren of the Clergy and Laity.
This is all our task. In private life and public life, in the support of
the Church's Program and in our influence upon the wider life of
Christian people throughout the world Christ calls us to release the
power of love that men may be gathered into the unity of the Sons of
God. Only thus can God have His way among us. Only thus can He
answer our daily prayer, "Thy kingdom come." Only thus can the
Christ who died for us "see of the travail of his soul and be satisfied."
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A. R. Edmiston, Lincoln
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Goshen
Gary
Howe

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Martin V. Starr,
Henry P. Conkey,
Harry Hall,†

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Logansport
Goshen
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Reynolds D. Brown,‡

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Reynolds, Ill.
L. C. Hursh,
Quincy

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Kewanee, Ill.
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Providence
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East Aurora
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OKLAHOMA

H. J. Llwyd,  L. W. Pratt,
Muskogee  Tulsa

PANAMA CANAL ZONE

E. J. Cooper,
D. P. Curry,‖

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

Hobart E. Studley,  George M. Chandler,
Manila

PORTO RICO

Kenneth O. Miller,  F. Vall Spinoza,‖
San Juan

SALINA

James T. Bovill,  E. A. Hiller,

SAN JOAQUIN

G. R. E. MacDonald,  Haydn Arrowsmith,‖
Fresno, Cal.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Edward Ashley, D.D.,  Max Royhl,  James E. Mather,*
Aberdeen  Huron  Watertown

SPOKANE

Ethelward W. Pigion,‖  Harold Whitehouse,‖
Yakima, Wash.  Spokane, Wash.

UTAH

J. W. Hyslop,  C. P. Overfield,
Ogden  Salt Lake City

WESTERN NEBRASKA

Francis R. Lee,  John G. Lowe,‖
Hastings  Kearney

WYOMING

R. E. Abraham,  T. S. Taliaferro, Jr.,
Rock Springs  Rock Springs

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* Taking the place of Mr. Royhl on the 7th day. Mr. Royhl returned on the 10th day.
FOREIGN MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

ANKING
  Clerical
  Edmund J. Lee,
  H. B. Taylor, M.D.,
  Anking
  Anking

Lay

CUBA
  E. G. Harris,
  Havana

HAVANA
  Henry J. Jones,

HAIKOW
  Alfred K. M. Chiu,

KYOTO
  Percy A. Smith,
  John D. Southworth, M.D.,
  Hikone.

LIBERIA
  J. W. Worrell,
  Cape Palmas

MEXICO
  Lorenzo J. Saucedo,
  Guadalajara
  Frederick Adams,
  Mexico, D. F.

NORTH TOKYO
  Norman S. Binsted,
  Rudolph B. Teusler, M.D.,

SHANGHAI
  Cameron F. McRae, D.D.,

SOUTHERN BRAZIL
  George U. Krischke,
  Porto Alegre
  Frederico G. Schmidt,
  Rio Grande

TOHOKU
  John C. McKim,

AMERICAN CHURCHES IN EUROPE
  F. W. Beekman, D.D.,
  Paris, France
  Monell Sayre,
  New York, N. Y.
  Francis E. Drake,*

* Taking the place of Mr. Sayre on the 7th day. Mr. Sayre returned on the 10th day.
|| Indicates non-attendance at the Convention.
This being the day designated by the Constitution for holding a meeting of the General Convention, the Bishops and Deputies-elect assembled, agreeably to the appointment of the last General Convention in the City of Washington at 7:30 A.M.; in the Church of the Epiphany.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Presiding Bishop assisted in the Epistle by Bishop Leonard of Ohio and in the Gospel by Bishop Vincent of Southern Ohio.

At 10:30 A.M. in the open air amphitheatre in the Cathedral Close of St. Peter and St. Paul, Mt. St. Alban, the Service of Morning Prayer was said by the Bishop of Oklahoma and the Bishop of New Hampshire, the First Lesson being read by the Rev. Dr. Pardee and the Second Lesson by the Rev. Dr. Davis. An address was made by the President of the United States. The sermon was preached by Bishop Anderson of Chicago. The Presiding Bishop read the closing prayers and pronounced the Benediction.

3:15 P.M., CONTINENTAL HALL.

The Secretary of the last House, the Rev. Carroll M. Davis, called the House to order and led the House in Prayer.

The credentials of those who attended as members-elect of the House of Deputies having been received and recorded, the names were called and the following members responded and took their seats:

CLERICAL DEPUTIES

ALABAMA.—The Rev. Dr. Clingman, and the Rev. Mr. McDonald.

ALBANY.—The Rev. Dr. Freeman, and the Rev. Messrs. Hamilton, Purdy and Quinn.


CHICAGO.—The Rev. Mr. Thomas, and the Rev. Drs. Stewart, Randall and Grant.

COLORADO.—The Rev. Messrs. Stowe, West, Dagwell and Taft.

CONNECTICUT.—The Rev. Messrs. Lewis, Colladay and Sill, and the Rev. Mr. Sutcliffe.


GEORGIA.—The Rev. Messrs. Lawrence, Barber and Tucker, and the Rev. Dr. Wright.

HARRISBURG.—The Messrs. Atkins, Judd, McCoy and Nichols.


MAINE.—The Rev. Messrs. Patterson, Pressley, Glasier and Stray.


MASSACHUSETTS.—The Rev. Messrs. Sherrill, Fitts and Webster, and the Rev. Dr. Suter.


MILWAUKEE.—The Rev. Drs. Wilson, St. George and Hutchinson, and the Rev. Mr. Whitmore.


MISSISSIPPI.—The Rev. Messrs. Capers, Woodson, Sessions and De Miller.

MISSOURI.—The Rev. Drs. Scarlett, Travers and Jones, and the Rev. Mr. Bloy.

MONTANA.—The Rev. Messrs. Hirst, Matthews and Bennett.
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NEBRASKA.—The Rev. Messrs. McGinley, Smith, Mulligan and McMillin.

NEWARK.—The Rev. Dr. Walkley, and the Rev. Mr. McAllister.


NEW JERSEY.—The Rev. Messrs. Brestell, Shepherd, Schwacke and Morse.

NEW YORK.—The Rev. Dons. Chorley, Robbins, Silver and Stetson.

NORTH CAROLINA.—The Rev. Messrs. Jackson, Gribben, Lane and Barber.

NORTHERN INDIANA.—The Rev. Messrs. Rogers, Schrock and Foster, and the Rev. Dr. Young.


OREGON.—The Rev. Messrs. Ramsey, Chambers and Black.

PENNSYLVANIA.—The Rev. Dons. Foley, Taitt and Tomkins, and the Rev. Mr. Pember.


RHODE ISLAND.—The Rev. Dr. Aucock, and the Rev. Messrs. Lawrence, Hilliker and Hughes.


SOUTH CAROLINA.—The Rev. Messrs. Thomas, Beckwith and Forcher.


TENNESSEE.—The Rev. Drs. Whitaker, Dandridge, Hart and Blaisdell.

TEXAS.—The Rev. Mr. Sprouse.


VERMONT.—The Rev. Messrs. McKee, Amor and Ashley.


WEST TEXAS.—The Rev. Messrs. Sykes, Crum, Cook and Budlong.


WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA.—The Rev. Messrs. Johnson, Rogers, Coignard and Stroup.
DOMESTIC MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

ALASKA.—The Rev. Mr. Rice.
EASTERN OREGON.—The Rev. Mr. Ball.
HONOLULU.—The Rev. Mr. Kieb.
IDAHO.—The Rev. Mr. Mitchell.
NEVADA.—The Rev. Mr. McGowan.
NEW MEXICO.—The Rev. Mr. Williams.
NORTH DAKOTA.—The Rev. Mr. Elsworth.
NORTH TEXAS.—The Rev. Mr. Gerhart.
OKLAHOMA.—The Rev. Mr. Llwyd.
PANAMA CANAL ZONE.—The Rev. Mr. Cooper.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.—The Rev. Mr. Studley.
PORTO RICO.—The Rev. Mr. Miller.
SALINA.—The Rev. Mr. Bovill.
SAN JOAQUIN.—The Rev. Mr. MacDonald.
SOUTH DAKOTA.—The Rev. Dr. Ashley.
UTAH.—The Rev. Mr. Hyslop.
WESTERN NEBRASKA.—The Rev. Mr. Lee.
WYOMING.—The Rev. Mr. Abraham.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

ANKING.—The Rev. Mr. Lee.
CUBA.—The Rev. Mr. McCarthy.
HANKOW.—The Rev. Mr. Littell.
KYOTO.—The Rev. Mr. Smith.
MEXICO.—The Rev. Mr. Saucedo.
TOHOKU.—The Rev. Mr. McKim.
AMERICAN CHURCHES IN EUROPE.—The Rev. Dr. Beekman.

LAY DEPUTIES

ALABAMA.—Messrs. Blair, Jones and Williams, and Dr. Hall.
ALBANY.—Messrs. Shackelford, Betts, Finley and Johnston.
ARKANSAS.—Messrs. Barlow, Wood and Fitzhugh.
ATLANTA.—Messrs. Woodward and Harrison.
BETHLEHEM.—Messrs. Hutchinson and Smith.
CALIFORNIA.—Messrs. Crocker, Monteagle and Noble.
CENTRAL NEW YORK.—Messrs. Ogden, Boyer, Baker and Wilcox.
CHICAGO.—Messrs. Barber, Pelham and Mason.
COLORADO.—Messrs. Johnson, Moynihan and Parks.
DALLAS.—Messrs. Lucas and Smith.
DELWARE.—Messrs. Elliott, Rodney, Boyce and Traught.
EAST CAROLINA.—Messrs. Elliott, Rountree and Royall.
EASTON.—Messrs. Gibson, Roe, Dashiell and Massey.
ERIE.—Messrs. Shackett, Selden, Mackay and Earp.
FLORIDA.—Messrs. Yockey, Ruge and Trenary.
GEORGIA.—Messrs. Anderson, Aiken and Jones.
INDIANAPOLIS.—Messrs. Hammond, Judson and McNutt.
KANSAS.—Messrs. Magill and Berry.
KENTUCKY.—Messrs. Stansbury, Campbell, Cole and Robinson.
LONG ISLAND.—Messrs. Tully, Barnes, Baldwin and Seymour.
LOS ANGELES.—Messrs. Gair, Albee, Thomas and Cowles.
LOUISIANA.—Messrs. Kearny, Law, Spearing and Fry.
MAINE.—Messrs. Sills, Clarke and Rogers.
MARQUETTE.—Messrs. Phelps, Mather, McBean and Seeber.
MARYLAND.—Messrs. Gibson, Harlan, Thomas and Randall.
MASSACHUSETTS.—Messrs. Parker, Beale, Mason and Minot.
MILWAUKEE.—Messrs. Morehouse, Eidsall, Moon and Laflin.
MINNESOTA.—Messrs. Gregg, Lightner, Theopol and Van Derlip.
MISSISSIPPI.—Messrs. Gardiner, Shields and Short.
MISSOURI.—Messrs. Bull, Block, Hodgdon and Gatch.
MONTANA.—Mr. Haskins.
NEBRASKA.—Mr. Brooke.
NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Messrs. Woodworth and Tilton.
NEW JERSEY.—Messrs. Stroud, Pearse, Devoe and Tattersall.
NORTHERN INDIANA.—Mr. Elliott.
OHIO.—Messrs. Goodwin, Knapp and Goodbody.
OLYMPIA.—Messrs. Turrell, Wilbur and Redfield.
PENNSYLVANIA.—Messrs. Beury, Bonsall, Houston and Pepper.
PITTSBURGH.—Messrs. Shoemaker, Burgwin and Cornelius.
QUINCY.—Messrs. Harsch, Stokes and Potter.
RHODE ISLAND.—Messrs. Brown, Haslam, Learned and MacDougall.
SACRAMENTO.—Messrs. Denman, Seibel and Vines.
SOUTH CAROLINA.—Messrs. Hazard, Lengnick and Whaley.
SOUTH FLORIDA.—Messrs. Claussen, Cornwall and Knight.
SOUTHERN INDIANA.—Mr. Elliott.
SOUTHERN OHIO.—Messrs. Procter, Hicks and Schoedinger.
SOUTHERN VIRGINIA.—Messrs. Darling, Old, Mann and Mathews.
SPRINGFIELD.—Messrs. Andre, Morgan and Swannell.
TENNESSE.—Messrs. Patten, Darrow, Martin and Finney.
TEXAS.—Mr. Battle.
UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA.—Messrs. Manning and Robertson.
VERMONT.—Messrs. Spargo, Congdon and Rixford.
WASHINGTON.—Messrs. Nelson, Rust and Browne, and Dr. Bowen.
WEST MISSOURI.—Messrs. Golding, Holt and Ashley.
WEST TEXAS.—Mr. Steves.
WEST VIRGINIA.—Messrs. Archer, Peterkin, Bias and Cargill.
WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS.—Messrs. Morris, Spaulding and Pope.
WESTERN MICHIGAN.—Messrs. Dibble Twamley, and Dr. Hooker.

DOMESTIC MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

ARIZONA.—Mr. Leonard.
IDAHO.—Mr. Chapman.
NEVADA.—Mr. Flick.
NORTH DAKOTA.—Mr. Overson.
NORTH TEXAS.—Mr. Smith.
OKLAHOMA.—Mr. Pratt.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.—Mr. Chandler.
The Secretary having declared that a constitutional majority of the Dioceses was represented, the House proceeded to the election of a President.

The Rev. Dr. Travers of Missouri nominated the Rev. Dr. Phillips of Washington. Many dioceses seconded the nomination.

Mr. Minot of Massachusetts nominated Judge Parker of Massachusetts.

The Rev. Dr. Porter of California nominated the Rev. Dr. Powell of California. The nomination was seconded by several dioceses.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland nominated the Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago. The nomination was seconded by several dioceses.

Nominations were closed and the Secretary appointed as Tellers, the Rev. Mr. Knickerbocker of Minnesota, the Rev. Mr. Diller of Bethlehem, Mr. Steves of West Texas and Mr. Gair of Los Angeles.

On the first ballot, the tellers reported 538 votes cast, and that 270 votes were necessary to elect; 156 votes were cast for the Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago, 200 for the Rev. Dr. Phillips of Washington, 166 for the Rev. Dr. Powell of California and 16 for Judge Parker of Massachusetts.

On the second ballot, the tellers reported 523 votes cast, and that 262 votes were necessary to elect; 140 votes were cast for the Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago, 220 for the Rev. Dr. Phillips of Washington, 157 for the Rev. Dr. Powell of California, and six for Judge Parker of Massachusetts.

On the third ballot, the tellers reported 530 votes cast, and that 266 votes were necessary to elect; 299 votes were cast for the Rev. Dr. Phillips of Washington, 132 for the Rev. Dr. Powell of California, and 99 for the Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago.

The Rev. Dr. Powell of California moved that the Rev. Dr. Phillips be elected by the unanimous vote of the House, which motion was seconded by the Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago, and carried. The Secretary declared the Rev. Dr. Phillips to have
been unanimously elected and appointed the Rev. Dr. Stewart and
the Rev. Dr. Powell to escort him to the Chair. The newly
elected President responded to his election by a short address
and declared the next business in order to be the election of a
Secretary.

Mr. Anderson of Georgia nominated the Rev. Carroll M.
Davis, and there being no further nominations, Mr. Anderson
was directed to cast the ballot for the Rev. Dr. Davis, and he was
declared unanimously elected.

The Secretary announced the appointment of the Rev. Franklin
J. Clark of Bethlehem, the Rev. Dr. James G. Glass of South
Florida and Miss Helen J. Smith of Missouri as Assistant Sec-
retaries.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business pre-
sented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That a Committee of two, consisting of one Presbyter and
one Layman, be appointed to wait on the House of Bishops and inform
them that this House has been duly organized by the election of the
Rev. Dr. Z. B. T. Phillips as President and the Rev. Dr. Carroll M.
Davis as Secretary and is now ready to proceed to business.

The President appointed the Rev. Dr. Powell of California and
Judge Parker of Massachusetts.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 1.]

Mr. Anderson presented the following resolutions which were
adopted:

Resolved, That until further ordered this House shall hold daily ses-
sions, Sunday excepted, from ten A.M. to one P.M. and from two-thirty
P.M. to five P.M.; provided that there shall be no afternoon sessions on
Saturdays.

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor shall be given to the Officers
and Secretaries of the National Council, to the Presidents of Church
Colleges, and to the Deans of Church Seminaries.

Mr. Anderson of the Joint ad interim Committee of the Two
Houses on the Despatch of Business presented the following re-
port:

The Joint ad interim Committee of the Two Houses on the Despatch
of Business appointed by resolution of the last General Convention pre-
sents herewith a copy of the schedule for Joint Sessions submitted to it
by the Joint Committee on Arrangements and has approved this schedule
and submits the following resolutions:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the schedule for
Joint Sessions of the two Houses as the same appear in the Official Pro-
gram for this Convention as published by said Committee on Arrange-
ments be and it hereby is approved and adopted.

Resolved further, That during these Joint Sessions the privilege of
the floor shall be given to the Officers and Secretaries of the National
Council to the Presidents of Church Colleges and to the Deans of
Church Seminaries, and to the official delegates from the Dioceses to the Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary; and that the centre section of the gallery shall be reserved for these ladies.

The resolutions were adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 2.]

The House stood adjourned.

SECOND DAY

CONTINENTAL HALL, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the first day's session were read and approved.

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:

The Rev. J. M. Stoney of Alabama, the Rev. O. de W. Randolph of Alabama, the Rev. Dr. F. A. MacMillen of Bethlehem, the Rev. Sidney D. Hooker of Montana, the Rev. Dr. John Y. Downman of Virginia, the Rev. E. S. Lane of Arizona, and Messrs. Thos. H. Hancock of Atlanta, F. P. Dearing of Florida, and Robert H. Gardiner of Maine.

The President appointed Mr. Anderson of Georgia Chairman of the Committee on Despatch of Business.

Mr. Anderson, Chairman of the Committee on Despatch of Business, presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, In this General Convention the sessions of the two Houses are held in different parts of the City of Washington at some distance from each other, and the proper and expeditious handling of the business of the Convention requires that a suitable and official messenger service shall be authorized and provided for the prompt and regular transmission of the official messages between the Houses; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That each House shall elect an official messenger to be under the supervision and direction of the respective Secretaries of each House.

Resolved further, That the Chairmen of the Committees on Despatch of Business of the two Houses are authorized to nominate volunteers for this service.

Resolved further, That for the present and until otherwise ordered the Official Messenger for the House of Bishops shall be the Rev. F. Bland Tucker, and the Official Messenger for the House of Deputies shall be the Rev. E. Pinkney Wroth.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 3.]
Resolved, That the Order of Business for today immediately following this report shall be as follows:

1. Election of Treasurer of the Convention—Joint Resolution.
2. Reports from General or Special Commissions and Committees.
3. Introduction of Memorials and Petitions for reference to Committees or for Calendar.
4. Motions or Resolutions for immediate action or for reference.
5. Ratification of Changes in Prayer Book adopted by the last General Convention. Individual speeches under this head shall be limited to five (5) minutes, except as to the spokesman for the Commission in presenting the items, and in closing the debate.

Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Mr. William W. Skiddy be and he is hereby elected Treasurer of the General Convention.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 4.]

The same gentleman of the same Diocese presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee of one Bishop, two clerical deputies and two lay deputies, be appointed to prepare a resolution expressing our appreciation of the services of Mr. Skiddy as Treasurer of General Convention.

The President appointed as members, on the part of this House:

Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania, Rev. Mr. Sykes of Texas, Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut and Mr. Harrison of Atlanta.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 18.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

Message No. 1. First day of Session, October 10, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has completed its organization with the Presiding Bishop as Chairman, and the election of the Reverend Charles L. Pardee, D.D., of New York as Secretary, and that it is ready to proceed to business.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

Rev. Dr. Aigner of Erie presented the Report of the Commission on Provinces, which was placed on the Calendar.

Rev. Mr. Wilson of Milwaukee presented a petition from the Diocese of Milwaukee on the Division of the Diocese, which was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses.

Mr. Seymour of Long Island presented the Report of the Commission to Consider Canon for Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons, with a view to Clarifying and
Simplifying the Same, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Rev. Dr. Maxon of Michigan presented a Memorial from that Diocese on the Thirty-nine Articles, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Glass of South Florida presented a Memorial from that Diocese to simplify and abbreviate the Parochial Report Blank, which was referred to the Board of Church Finance.

Rev. Dr. Tomkons of Pennsylvania presented a Memorial from that diocese expressing its hope that the proposed revision of the Baptismal Offices in the Book of Common Prayer may not be ratified in its present form, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book.

Rev. Dr. Jones of Long Island presented a proposed prayer in place of that "For a Person Going to Sea," which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book.

Rev. Mr. Shepherd of New Jersey presented a Memorial from that diocese expressing the hope that the proposed revision of the Baptismal Office may not be ratified in its present form, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book.

The same gentleman presented a proposed amendment to Canon 36 "Of Renunciation of the Ministry," which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Mr. Zabriskie of New York presented the Report of the World Conference on Faith and Order, which was placed on the Calendar.

Mr. Seymour of Long Island presented the Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary for the years 1925 to 1928 (Appendix IV.), which was referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary.

Mr. Hazard of South Carolina presented the testimonials of the election of the Rev. A. S. Thomas as Bishop of South Carolina, which were referred to the Committee on Consecration of Bishops.

Rev. Dr. Glass of South Florida presented the following resolution which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book:

WHEREAS, The permission given to the congregation to repeat the General Thanksgiving with the minister renders the use of the bracketed and italicized words in said prayer impractical, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the bracketed and italicized words in said prayer, as well as the indented directions, be
deleted, and the semi-colon following the words "and to all men" be changed to a period.

Rev. Dr. Jessup of Western New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor be extended to the Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer.

Mr. Anderson of Georgia presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Lewis B. Franklin, D.C.L., be elected Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 5.]

The Rev. Mr. Averill of Fond du Lac presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in printing the Prayer Book, the Canticles of Morning and Evening Prayer, and the Gloria in Excelsis in the Communion Service be pointed for chanting.

The Rev. Dr. Silver of New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That five thousand copies of Bishop Anderson's sermon and the address of the President of the United States at the opening service of the Convention be printed for distribution. The New York Delegation asks the privilege of paying for the printing of same.

The House then took up the amendments to the Prayer Book proposed at the Convention of 1925.

At 5 P.M. the House stood adjourned.

THIRD DAY

CONTINENTAL HALL, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the second day's session were read and approved.

The following Deputies not before present, appeared and took their seats:

The President then called for reports of special committees and commissions.

Rev. Dr. Travers of Missouri presented the Report of the Army and Navy Commission, which was placed on the Calendar.

Rev. Dr. Suter of Massachusetts presented the Fifth Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer, which was placed on the Calendar.

Rev. Mr. Stowe of Colorado presented a request that the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Prayer Book be asked in preparing the Standard Book of Common Prayer to confer with the Commission on Architecture and Allied Arts, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book.

The same gentleman presented a petition from the Western Colorado Conference on the study of Rural Work, which was referred to the Committee on Rural Work.

Mr. Johnson of Colorado presented the following resolution of the Diocese of Colorado, which was referred to the Joint Committee to recommend the place of meeting of the next General Convention:

Resolved, That the Deputies from the Diocese of Colorado on behalf of the Diocese and the people of Denver, extend to the General Convention and to the Woman’s Auxiliary, with their various attendant bodies, a most cordial and earnest invitation to make the City of Denver the meeting place for the next General Convention in 1931.

Mr. Theopold of Minnesota presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Committee to recommend the place of meeting of the next General Convention:

WHEREAS, The Bishop and Directorate of the Diocese of Minnesota have instructed the Deputies from that Diocese to extend a cordial invitation to General Convention to hold its session of 1931 in the City of Minneapolis; therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention in 1931 be held in the City of Minneapolis.

Mr. Anderson of Georgia presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen be appointed to recommend the place of meeting of the next General Convention to which committee all invitations should be referred.

The President appointed as members, on the part of this House:

Rev. Dr. Travers of Missouri, Rev. Dr. Eckel of Dallas, Rev. Dr. McMillen of Bethlehem, Mr. Monteagle of California, Mr. Gardiner of Maine and Mr. Elliott of East Carolina.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 19.]
The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of New Jersey presented the following invitation:

I hereby certify that at the Diocesan Convention meeting at St. Paul's Church, Camden, on May 8 and 9, 1928, it was

Resolved, That the Deputies from the Diocese of New Jersey, on behalf of the Diocese and the people of Atlantic City, extend to the General Convention and to the Woman's Auxiliary, with their various attendant bodies, a most cordial and pressing invitation to make Atlantic City the meeting place of the General Convention in 1934.

W. H. Moor, Secretary.

DIOCESE OF NEW JERSEY

RT. REV. PAUL MATTHEWS, D.D. RT. REV. ALBION W. KNIGHT, D.D.
BISHOP BISHOP COADJUTOR

October 1, 1928.

To the House of Bishops and to the Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention of 1928.

Brethren:—

We are empowered by the Convention of the Diocese to extend a cordial invitation for the General Convention of 1934 to meet in the Diocese of New Jersey. The General Convention has not met within the borders of this Diocese since 1801, and it will give great joy to the Bishops, the Clergy, and the people of the Diocese to have this invitation accepted.

Some of the considerations which appear to us to be very strong in support of our earnest desire to have you accede to our request are contained in the enclosed pamphlet, which we hope you will read.

At this time we will only add that this invitation comes officially from the Convention of the Diocese and with the cordial backing of the Clergy, Laymen and Laywomen of the whole Diocese.

As the year 1934-35 mark the Sesquicentennial of the organization of the Diocese of New Jersey, we are all very anxious to signalize that time by an event of such primary importance as the meeting of the General Convention would be.

The question would naturally arise in your minds as to where the meeting would be held, in case our invitation should be accepted. It appears to us that Atlantic City would be the natural place for such a meeting, and in our opinion it would be a most admirable and attractive place for such a great gathering, and amply able to furnish accommodations for all the meetings.

The meeting of 1934 will be the beginning of the Centennial year of the sending out of the first Missionary Bishop of the Church, Jackson Kemper. We believe the great enthusiasm for Missions aroused in the Convention of 1835 was the result of the keynote sounded at that Convention by the Rt. Rev. George Washington, Doane, D.D., Bishop of New Jersey, which enunciated and established the principle upon which the Church has since acted, that the Church itself is the Missionary
Society and every baptised member of the Church is a member of the same.

It is hoped that this present Convention will endorse this invitation, and order it placed upon the Calendar for final action in 1931.

Earnestly commending this whole matter to your careful consideration, and hoping for such affirmative action as may be proper, we are

Very respectfully yours,

PAUL MATTHEWS,
ALBION W. KNIGHT.

We have been authorized to add the names of

REV. R. BOWDEN SHEPHERD
REV. R. E. BRESTELL
REV. HAROLD MORSE
REV. J. A. SCHWACKE
MR. W. M. F. STROUD
MR. F. M. P. PEARSE
MR. JAS. C. TATTERSALL
MR. CHAS. A. DE VOE

Rev. Mr. Chamberlaine of Easton presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, In recognition of the splendid triennial UNITED THANK OFFERING of $1,101,450.40 made by the women of the Church, this House desires to place on record its hearty congratulations, and prays God's greatest blessing upon them for their noble generosity, consecration and service for the Master.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That in view of the Joint Session at eleven o'clock, this House adjourn at 10:45, and that the President appoint a committee of two to escort the Presiding Bishop to the platform.

The President appointed the Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, and Judge Henry of Iowa.

Mr. Overson of North Dakota presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church:

WHEREAS, Many Church individuals and families move without being commended to the Church in their new homes; and

WHEREAS, Many are lost to the Church by this means; therefore be it

Resolved, That the National Council, through its proper department provide books of commendation blanks to be sent to each clergyman in charge of a parish or mission, and that these books be provided with a stub and a return blank in addition to that commending the persons removed to the clergy in their new place of residence. And be it also

Resolved, That this General Convention declare its conviction of the importance of commending to the clergy all Church persons moving from one place to another, and urge upon the clergy the regular use of the commendation blanks.
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 2.**

Second day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received the report of the Reverend Lucien Moore Robinson, S.T.D., Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer, and has adopted the following resolution:

*Resolved,* That the House of Bishops appoints the Reverend Lucien Moore Robinson, S.T.D., as Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies.

**CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.**

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 8.]

**MESSAGE No. 3.**

Second day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 3 except that part relating to the appointment of an official messenger of the House of Bishops, and informs the House of Deputies that the House of Bishops has appointed as its official messenger the Reverend F. Bland Tucker.

**CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.**

**MESSAGE No. 4.**

Second Day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 2 approving and adopting the schedule of Joint Sessions of the two Houses as the same appears in the program as published by the Committee on Arrangements.

**CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.**

**MESSAGE No. 5.**

Second day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 4, electing Mr. William W. Skiddy, Treasurer of the General Convention.

**CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.**

**MESSAGE No. 6.**

Second day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 5, electing Lewis B. Franklin, D.C.L., Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

**CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.**

Message No. 7, House of Bishops, Prayer Book Revision.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following address from the General Convention be engrossed and presented to the Most Reverend Dr. Davidson, whose high Christian character and able administration through a quarter of a century as Archbishop of Canterbury is of world-wide repute, as he lays down the burden of his exalted office:


Your Grace:

At the time of your retirement we of the Episcopal Church in America desire to express to you our affection and esteem as you lay down the burden of high responsibility. Your long tenure of office, exceeding that of any Archbishop since Archbishop Warham four centuries ago, has covered troublous times political and ecclesiastical. Throughout its stretch you have met your varied duties with patience, wisdom and courage. Your administration of home affairs has been distinguished. Your missionary knowledge and sympathy has reached the ends of the earth and warmed the heart of many a lonely missionary. We recall with happiness your visit, the first visit of an Archbishop of Canterbury to America in 1904. At that time you and Mrs. Davidson won high regard and love by your gracious simplicity, your devoutness and your quick understanding of our problems.

Twice you have played the part of host to the American Episcopate. In 1908 and 1920 at two successive meetings of the Lambeth Conference our Bishops have sat under your leadership, and enjoyed the abundant hospitality of yourself and Mrs. Davidson. Your wide flung doors have strengthened the bond of peace between your nation and ours, and helped us realize that the waves of the sea closely unite the shores they separate.

Of Mrs. Davidson's hospitality we cannot speak without grateful emotion. Her thoughtful courtesies, her gracious friendliness, her quick sympathies win the hearts of all who are fortunate enough to come within her reach.

By happy coincidence your retirement from public office falls on the day of your golden wedding. We rejoice in the fact that at fourscore years you still retain the joy of living with youthful bounacy and hope. With gratitude for the past we pray God that your home may be blessed by the constant presence and inspiration of Him whom you have served so long and so well.

The accompanying gift from friends in America we trust you will accept for your personal use as a token of our friendship and love for yourself and Mrs. Davidson.

Signed on behalf of the House of Bishops,
Signed on behalf of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message by a rising vote.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 9.]
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**HOUSE OF DEPUTIES**

**MESSAGE No. 9.**

Second day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following address from the General Convention be engrossed and presented to the Most Reverend Dr. Lang, Archbishop of York, a lover of Christian unity and a zealous worker for it, as he assumes the responsibilities of the Archbishop of Canterbury.


Your Grace:

As we offer our affectionate good wishes to the present Archbishop of Canterbury upon his retirement from his long and distinguished service as Primate of all England, so we bid you Godspeed as you take up the tasks and responsibilities he lays down. Your burden will be great but your experience in the office which you now relinquish, and your intimate association with your predecessor will ease its weight.

We remember with gratitude your visit to America during the days of the Great War, and the words of measured wisdom with which you won the esteem of our people. As in the case of the Archbishop of Canterbury, so was it in yours, you were the first Archbishop of York to visit American shores. We hope that it may be possible for you to repeat your visit in your new office.

Independently of office, you are a leader of men. Your work for Christian unity, the presentation of which deeply moved the Lambeth Conference of 1920 has transcended the boundaries of your own Communion and touched wide areas of Christendom.

We extend to you our goodwill and high regard as you assume your new and exalted position, and we pray God to guide you in your leadership of the Church of England.

Signed on behalf of the House of Bishops,
Signed on behalf of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies,

_CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary._

The House concurred in the foregoing Message by a rising vote.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 10.]

**MESSAGE No. 10.**

Second day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Report of the Registrar be ordered printed in the Journal.

_CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary._

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 11.]

**MESSAGE No. 11.**

Second day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
WHEREAS, November 11th this year will be the tenth anniversary of the signing of the Armistice and will occur on Sunday, therefore

Be It Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That it be recommended to the Bishops and Clergy to observe Armistice Day, 1928, with special services and sermons, and to endeavor to promote and secure, if possible, the observance of the day with a Community Service of all Christian bodies in their respective communities.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 12.]

MESSAGE No. 12. Second day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Layman's Voluntary Missionary Offering be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 13.]

Message No. 13, House of Bishops, Prayer Book Revision.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Joint Commission on Revision of the Prayer Book.


The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer be discharged from the further consideration of the Proposed Office for the Making of Deaconesses.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 14.]

The House adjourned at 10:50 to go into Joint Session with the House of Bishops.

FOURTH DAY

CONTINENTAL HALL, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the third day's session were read and approved.
The following Deputy not before present, appeared and took his seat:

Mr. Robert Patterson of Southern Ohio.

The President called the attention of the House to Rule 7 of the Rules of Order of the House of Deputies on page 717 of the last Journal, and announced the appointment of these committees, which the Secretary read as follows:

I.—ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH

Rev. Dr. Aucock of Rhode Island, Rev. Mr. McGann of Western Massachusetts, Mr. Gardiner of Maine, Rev. Dr. Brestell of New Jersey, Rev. Dr. Davis of Western New York, Mr. Barnes of Long Island, Rev. Mr. Diller of Bethlehem, Rev. Dr. Taitt of Pennsylvania, Mr. Thomas of Maryland, Rev. Dr. Memminger of Atlanta, Rev. Dr. Coupland of Louisiana, Mr. Campbell of Kentucky, Rev. Mr. Hopkins of Fond du Lac, Rev. Mr. Thomas of Chicago, Mr. Knapp of Ohio, Rev. Dr. Hare of Iowa, Rev. Mr. Hooker of Montana, Mr. Tallaferr of Wyoming, Rev. Mr. Liwyd of Oklahoma, Rev. Mr. Collins of Arkansas, Mr. Howard of West Missouri, Rev. Mr. Hermitage of Sacramento, Rev. Mr. Kieb of Honolulu, Dr. Burke of Alaska, Rev. Mr. Litell of Hankow, Mr. Adams of Mexico, Rev. Dr. Beekman of the American Churches in Europe.

II.—ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Rev. Mr. Niles of New Hampshire, Rev. Mr. Knickerbocker of Minnesota, Rev. Dr. Dandridge of Tennessee, Rev. Dr. Richey of Delaware, Rev. Dr. Jones of Long Island, Rev. Mr. Sherrill of Massachusetts, Rev. Dr. Hutchinson of Milwaukee, Rev. Dr. Grant of Chicago, Mr. Zabriskie of New York, Mr. Hartman of Harrisburg, Mr. Randall of Maryland, Mr. Ashley of West Missouri, Mr. Vincent of Oregon.

III.—ON MISSIONS

Rev. Dr. Whitaker of Tennessee, Rev. Dr. Allen of California, Rev. Dr. Brown of Maryland, Rev. Mr. Whitmore of Milwaukee, Rev. Mr. Wragg of Atlanta, Rev. Mr. Pressey of Maine, Rev. Mr. Rice of Alaska, Mr. Overson of North Dakota, Mr. Balthis of Western North Carolina, Mr. Sibley of Western New York, Mr. Bull of Missouri, Mr. Brown of Rhode Island, Dr. Teusler of North Tokyo.

IV.—ON ADMISSION OF NEW DIOCESES

Rev. Mr. Spencer of West Missouri, Rev. Dr. Milton of East Carolina, Rev. Mr. Hentridge of Central New York, Rev. Dr. Osgood of Minnesota, Rev. Dr. Byrer of Southern Ohio, Rev. Dr. McLauchlan of Olympia, Rev. Mr. Hughes of Rhode Island, Mr. Elliott of Delaware, Mr. Rust of Washington, Mr. Minot of Massachusetts, Mr. Erwin of North Carolina, Mr. Springall of West Texas, Mr. Overfield of Utah.

V.—ON THE CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS

Rev. Mr. Shepherd of New Jersey, Rev. Mr. Averill of Fond du Lac, Rev. Mr. Lawrence of Georgia, Rev. Dr. Travers of Missouri, Rev. Dr. Bartlett of Western New York, Rev. Mr. Williams of Iowa, Rev. Mr. Barnes of Los Angeles, Mr. Page of Virginia, Mr. Spring of New Hampshire, Mr. Heminway of Connecticut, Mr. Moon of Milwaukee, Mr. Pratt of Oklahoma, Mr. Rogers of Maine.
VI.—ON AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION.
Rev. Dr. Powell of California, Rev. Dr. Green of Virginia, Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York, Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago, Rev. Mr. Purdy of Albany, Mr. Browne of Washington, Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut, Mr. Harrison of Atlanta, Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee, Mr. Battle of Texas, Mr. Hedelund of Nebraska, Mr. Van Derlip of Minnesota, Mr. Beale of Massachusetts.

VII.—ON CANONS
Rev. Dr. Maxon of Michigan, Rev. Dr. White of Ohio, Rev. Mr. Jenkins of Oregon, Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York, Rev. Dr. Jones of Missouri, Rev. Dr. Kammerer of Pittsburgh, Mr. Lightner of Minnesota, Mr. Parker of Massachusetts, Mr. Seymour of Long Island, Mr. Wickersham of New York, Mr. Manning of Upper South Carolina, Mr. Gibson of Maryland, Mr. Peterkin of West Virginia.

VIII.—ON UNFINISHED BUSINESS
Rev. Mr. Sulger of Indianapolis, Rev. Dr. Kirkus of Delaware, Rev. Dr. Walkley of Newark, Rev. Mr. Berkeley of Southwestern Va., Rev. Mr. Washburn of West Missouri, Rev. Mr. Stoney of Alabama, Rev. Mr. Quinn of Albany, Mr. Learned of Rhode Island, Mr. Roddis of Fond du Lac, Mr. Stimpson of Olympia, Mr. Haskins of Montana, Mr. Conkey of Northern Indiana, Mr. Stroud of New Jersey.

IX.—ON ELECTIONS
Rev. Dr. Aigner of Erie, Rev. Mr. Hindry of Florida, Rev. Mr. McCoy of Harrisburg, Rev. Dr. Rogers of Long Island, Rev. Mr. Biler of Duluth, Rev. Mr. Gibbons of Lexington, Rev. Mr. Stray of Maine, Mr. Potter of Quincy, Mr. Goodbody of Ohio, Mr. Robinson of Kentucky, Mr. Gair of Los Angeles, Mr. Fitzhugh of Arkansas, Dr. Hooker of Western Michigan.

X.—ON PRAYER BOOK
Rev. Dr. Lewis of Connecticut, Rev. Dr. Eckel of Dallas, Rev. Dr. Flint of Pittsburgh, Rev. Dr. Harrison of Florida, Rev. Mr. Musson of Quincy, Rev. Mr. Taft of Colorado, Rev. Mr. Hamilton of Albany, Mr. Henry of Iowa, Mr. Clement of Harrisburgh, Mr. Houston of Pennsylvania, Mr. Flick of Nevada, Mr. Benet of Upper South Carolina, Mr. Thorne of New York.

XI.—ON CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, Rev. Dr. Massie of Lexington, Rev. Dr. Witsell of Arkansas, Rev. Dr. Sill of Connecticut, Rev. Dr. Wright of Georgia, Rev. Mr. Chauncey of Southern Ohio, Rev. Mr. MacDonald of San Joaquin, Mr. Sills of Maine, Mr. Theopold of Minnesota, Mr. Ogden of Central New York, Mr. Dibble of Western Michigan, Mr. Hall of Alabama, Mr. Johnson of Colorado.

XII.—ON SOCIAL SERVICE
Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania, Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio, Rev. Dr. Duffield of Long Island, Rev. Dr. Phillips of Upper So. Carolina, Rev. Mr. Gray of Kansas, Rev. Dr. Scarlett of Missouri, Rev. Dr. Tyler of Western New York, Rev. Dr. Clingman of Alabama, Mr. Shacklett of Erie, Mr. Spargo of Vermont, Mr. Wyckoff of California, Mr. Shields of Mississippi, Mr. Brooke of Nebraska.
XIII.—ON MEMORIALS OF DECEASED MEMBERS
Rev. Mr. Stowell of Arkansas, Rev. Dr. Capers of Mississippi, Rev. Mr. Kreitler of Bethlehem, Rev. Mr. Beal of Los Angeles, Rev. Mr. Phillips of South Florida, Rev. Mr. Ashley of Vermont, Rev. Mr. Ziegler of Marquette, Rev. Mr. Haughton of Springfield, Mr. Ludlow of Western New York, Mr. Shoemaker of Pittsburgh, Mr. Whaley of South Carolina, Mr. Moynihan of Colorado, Mr. Chapman of Idaho.

XIV.—ON CHURCH PENSION FUND
Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio, Rev. Mr. Hirst of Montana, Rev. Dr. Colladay of Connecticut, Rev. Dr. Hadley of Central New York, Rev. Dr. Dudley of Washington, Rev. Mr. Pember of Pennsylvania, Mr. Henry of Iowa, Mr. Monteagle of California, Mr. Mather of Ohio, Mr. Mason of Massachusetts, Mr. Stansbury of Kentucky, Mr. Williams of Virginia, Mr. Ames of Kansas.

XV.—ON RULES OF ORDER
President of the House, Mr. Henry of Iowa, Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, Mr. Tully of Long Island, Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee, Mr. Anderson of Georgia.

XVI.—ON EXPENSES
Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut, Rev. Dr. Drane of East Carolina, Mr. Mather of Ohio, Mr. Baker of New York, Mr. Theopold of Minnesota, Mr. Monteagle of California, Mr. Barber of Chicago, Mr. Bonsall of Pennsylvania, Mr. Roe of Easton, Mr. Old of Southern Virginia, Mr. Burgwin of Pittsburgh, Mr. Kearney of Louisiana, Mr. Phelps of Marquette.

XVII.—ON RURAL WORK
Rev. Mr. Goodwin of Virginia, Rev. Mr. Gass of West Virginia, Rev. Mr. Black of Oregon, Mr. Berkeley of Virginia, Mr. Woodworth of New Hampshire, Mr. Swannell of Springfield.

XVIII.—ON DESPATCH OF BUSINESS
Mr. Anderson of Georgia, Rev. Dr. Jessup of Western New York, Mr. Harlan of Maryland, Mr. Mason of Chicago.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Order of Business for today immediately following the adoption of this report shall be as follows:
1. Reports of Joint Commissions and Joint Committees.
2. Reports of any Special Committees.
3. Petitions and Memorials.
5. Motions and Resolutions.
6. Ratification of proposed changes in the Prayer Book.

All individual speeches under this head to be limited to five (5) minutes; except as to the spokesman for the Commission in presenting the items and in closing the debate.

Mr. Clement of Harrisburg presented the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Lectionary, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Enrichment and Revision of the Prayer Book.
Rev. Mr. Slack of Louisiana presented the Report of the Recorder of Ordinations from January 1, 1925 to December 31, 1927. (Appendix VIII.). The report was received and the resolution appended thereto covering amendment to Canon 51, § IV. [i.] was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Rev. Mr. Berkeley of Southwestern Virginia presented resolutions asking for a definition of the word “Communicant” and for a concise manual of instruction as to filling in of Parochial Reports, which were placed on the Calendar.

The Secretary by request presented the following Memorials and Petitions:

Diocese of Michigan on the elimination of the Thirty-nine Articles, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book.

Diocese of Pennsylvania on the question of Intinction, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book.

The Diocese of Western New York on the Second Conference on Faith and Order which was referred to the Joint Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order.

Epiphany Church, Danville, Virginia, against the elimination of the Thirty-nine Articles, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book.

The Custodian of the Archives presented his report with resolutions appended which was placed on the Calendar.

The Report of the Joint Commission on Church Architecture and Allied Arts was presented, and placed on the Calendar.

The House then resumed consideration of the amendments to the Book of Common Prayer.

The House stood adjourned.

FIFTH DAY

CONTINENTAL HALL, MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes were read and approved.

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:

The Rev. Mr. Barlow of Dallas, and Messrs. Logan of Missouri, Brown of Pennsylvania, Cartell of Southern Ohio and Dr. Burke of Alaska.
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 15.**

Fourth day of Session, October 13, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

*Resolved,* the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on an Italian Version of the Book of Common Prayer, appointed by the General Convention of 1925, be continued with power to fill vacancies and to add to its number.

**CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.**

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 17.]

**MESSAGE No. 16.**

House of Bishops, Prayer Book Revision.

**MESSAGE No. 17.**

House of Bishops, Prayer Book Revision.

The President announced the appointment of the members of the Committee on Despatch of Business as follows:

Mr. Anderson of Georgia (previously appointed), Rev. Dr. Jessup of Buffalo, Mr. Harlan of Maryland and Mr. Mason of Chicago.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business announced that as the order for the day was the Joint Session at eleven o'clock, this House would adjourn at 10:45, and requested the President to appoint a committee of two to escort the Presiding Bishop to the chair. The President appointed Dean Robbins of New York and Mr. Page of Virginia.

Mr. Anderson of Georgia presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

*Resolved,* the House of Bishops concurring, That in the printing of the Journal of this General Convention the Secretaries of the two Houses be and they are hereby directed to segregate the record of all action relating to the revision of the Book of Common Prayer and to print it as a separate section of the Journal.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 16.]

*Resolved,* the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Conference Committee on all matters concerning the revision of the Book of Common Prayer be appointed consisting of six members, three members being from each House.

The President appointed as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Suter of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. St. George of Milwaukee, and Mr. Anderson of Georgia.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 20.]

*Resolved,* the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting of five (5) Bishops, five (5) Presbyters and ten (10) lay-
men, be appointed to be known as the Joint Committee on Budget and Program to consider and report upon the Report and Program of the National Council to this Convention and all matters incident thereto, and the report of the Evaluation Committee, and that opportunity for public hearings be afforded by this Committee.

The President appointed as members on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Davis of Western New York, the Rev. Dr. Wilson of Milwaukee, the Rev. Mr. Sherrill of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. White of Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Coupland of Louisiana, and Messrs. Theopold of Minnesota, Kidde of Newark, Kearney of New Orleans, Barnes of Long Island, Wyckoff of California, Thomas of Maryland, Warren of Michigan, Michael of Southwestern Virginia, Pepper of Pennsylvania and Erwin of North Carolina.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 21.]

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that it met for organization and elected as its Chairman the Rev. Dr. Aigner, of Erie, and Mr. Robinson, of Kentucky, as its Secretary, and that it has appointed an Executive Committee consisting of the Chairman, the Secretary and Mr. Goodbody of Ohio.

The Committee begs to report, further, that it has examined the Certificates of Election and the Certificates of the Appointment of Alternates sent to the Secretary in behalf of the Clerical and Lay Deputies to this House and that it has found that Certificates or the equivalent assurances have been received from all of the Dioceses in union with the Convention and from all the Missionary Districts of this Church.

The Committee begs to report, further, that Mr. Reynolds D. Brown, elected as an Alternate Deputy of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of Mr. Charles C. Beury, who is unable to serve any longer; and that Mr. C. A. Logan, elected as an Alternate Deputy of the Diocese of Missouri, is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of Mr. F. T. Hodgdon, who can serve no longer, and that the Rev. C. S. Barlow, elected as an Alternate Deputy of the Diocese of Dallas, is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of Mr. C. E. Snowdon; and that Mr. J. B. Cartmell, elected as an Alternate Deputy of the Diocese of Southern Ohio, is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of Mr. William Cooper Procter, who can serve no longer.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Spencer of the Committee on New Dioceses presented:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on New Dioceses begs to report that it has organized by the election of the Rev. Dr. Milton of East Carolina as Chairman, and the Rev. Mr. Spencer of West Missouri as Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Diller of the Committee on the State of the Church presented:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on the State of the Church begs leave to report that it met and organized by electing the Rev. Mr. Diller, of
Bethlehem, Chairman, and the Rev. Mr. Hopkins, of Fond du Lac, Secretary.

Mr. Mansfield of the Committee on Expenses presented the following reports; the resolution attached to Report No. 3 was adopted.

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Expenses beg leave to report that they have organized by electing Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut, Chairman, Mr. Bonsall of Pennsylvania, Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Burgwin of Pittsburgh, Secretary.

BURTON MANSFIELD, Chairman.

REPORT No. 2. The Committee on Expenses beg leave to report that during the last Triennial period, the Chairman of the Committee, acting under a resolution of this House, has approved many bills, including the printing of the Journal, the printing and preparing of Certificates of Ordination and Consecration, the printing of sundry reports, services of the Registrar, expenses for closed and locked cases for the collection of Prayer Books, owned by the General Convention, as ordered by the last Convention, as well as other items enumerated in the report of the treasurer.

BURTON MANSFIELD, Chairman.

REPORT No. 3. The Committee on Expenses beg leave to report that at the request of the Committee on Canons they present the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer be instructed to pay to the Chairman of the Committee on Canons of this House the sum of $150.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary to defray the expense of providing typewritten copies of all proposed amendments to the Canons, which may be referred to such committee, for the use of the members thereof, and also for general stenographic service.

BURTON MANSFIELD, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Lewis, of the Committee on the Prayer Book presented:

REPORT No. 1. This Committee held its first meeting and organized by electing the Rev. Dr. Lewis of Connecticut as Chairman, and the Rev. Mr. Taft of Colorado as Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Richey of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary presented the following:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on the General Theological Seminary reports that it has organized by the election of Rev. Dr. Richey of Delaware as Chairman and Dean Hutchinson of Milwaukee as Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Sulger of the Committee on Unfinished Business presented:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Unfinished Business begs leave to report that it has met and organized by the election of the Rev. Mr. Sulger of Indianapolis as Chairman, and of the Rev. Dr. Kirkus of Delaware as Secretary.

JOHN E. SULGER, Chairman.
REPORT No. 2. The Committee on Unfinished Business having examined the Journal of the last General Convention of 1925 find that Reports should be presented by:

I. (1) The Commission on American Churches in Europe.
(2) The Committee of Arrangements for the General Convention of 1928.
(3) The Committee ad interim to which shall be referred by the Committee of Arrangements the Proposed Program for the next General Convention.
(4) The Committee on Despatch of Business of the House of Deputies.
(5) The Commission on the Relation of the Church to the Army and Navy Chaplains' Corps.
(6) The Commission on Church Music.
(7) The Commission on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts.
(8) The Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to present tasks of the Church.
(9) The Commission on Christian Healing.
(10) The Commission on Home and Family Life.
(13) The Commission on Revision of the Lectionary.
(14) The Commission on Seamen's Work.
(15) The Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order.
(16) The Commission to consider the opportunities for Recreation and Social Intercourse for Working Men and Possibilities of Establishing Men's Institute.
(17) The Committee on the General Theological Seminary.
(18) The Commission to Consider Canon for the Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with a view to clarifying and simplifying the same.
(19) The Commission to Investigate the Advisability of Inaugurating a Layman's Voluntary Missionary Offering.
(20) The Commission on Vocation, Education, and Distribution of the Ministry.
(21) The Commission to Study the Whole Problem of Divorce.
(22) The Committee to which is referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces and all other matters pertaining thereto.
(23) The Commission on Church Flag and Seal.
(24) The Committee to consider whether any change is advisable in the method of electing the Presiding Bishop of the Church.
(26) The Standing Committee on Expenses of the House of Deputies.
(27) The Board of Church Finance.

II. Reports should also be presented by "Committee Appointed by the Presiding Bishop as a result of Action of the General Convention of 1925" as follows:
(a) The Evaluation Committee.
III. There should also be Reports by:

(d) The Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book, the Registrar, and Historiographer of the Convention, and by
(e) The Recorder of Ordinations.

IV. To expedite the business of the Convention, the Committee begs leave to call attention to the following resolution of the General Convention of 1907:

"All Joint Committees and Joint Commissions reporting to the General Convention shall, at least two months prior to the meeting of the General Convention to which they are to report, print and distribute as far as practicable to all members of the Convention, copies of their respective reports, and shall present such reports not later than the fifth day of the Session."

JOHN E. SULGER, Chairman.

Rev. Mr. Black of the Committee on Rural Work presented:

Report No. 1. The Committee on Rural Work reports that it has met and elected the Rev. Mr. Goodwin as Chairman, and is ready to do its work.

J. C. BLACK, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented:

Report No. 1. The Committee on Canons reports that it has organized by the election of the Rev. Dr. Maxon of Michigan as Chairman and the Rev. Dr. White of Ohio as Secretary.

Wm. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops presented:

Report No. 1. The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops respectfully report that they have met and organized by the election of the Rev. Mr. Shepherd of New Jersey as Chairman, and Mr. Rosewell Page of Virginia as Secretary.

R. BOWDEN SHEPHERD, Chairman.

Mr. Wickersham of New York presented a Petition to which 34,057 signatures had been sent in against the omission of the Thirty-nine Articles from the Book of Common Prayer, which was referred to the Joint Commission on Enrichment and Revision of the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Mr. Fitts of Massachusetts presented a Memorial from the Diocese of Massachusetts asking that the Joint Commission on Church Music be requested to compile and publish a service of music suitable to be used by the people as well as by choirs, which was referred to the Joint Commission on Church Music.
The Rev. Dr. Rogers of Long Island presented a Petition from that diocese against the removal of the Thirty-nine Articles from the Book of Common Prayer, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Enrichment and Revision of the Prayer Book.

Mr. Taliaferro of Wyoming presented an amendment to paragraph two of Article X. of the Constitution, to provide that Deputies from Missionary Districts shall have the right to vote on amendments to the Prayer Book, which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 51 be amended by adding at the end thereof, the following:

Section X. The Treasurer may appoint, subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, an Assistant Treasurer, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Treasurer and shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him by the Treasurer. He shall give a bond conditioned on the faithful performance of his duties. The amount thereof and the terms on which the same shall be given shall be subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, the expense of such bond to be paid by the General Convention.

The House stood adjourned at 11:00 to go into Joint Session.

SIXTH DAY

CONTINENTAL HALL, TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the Fifth Day were read and approved.

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:


Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this House adjourn at 12:30 in order to proceed to the White House for the taking of the picture of the two Houses.
Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business, presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That immediately following this report the Order of Business for today shall be as follows:

1. Reports from Standing Committees in their order.
2. Reports from Special Committees.
3. Reports from Joint Commissions and Joint Committees.
4. Petitions and Memorials.
5. Motions and Resolutions.
7. Ratification of proposed changes in the Prayer Book.
8. Messages from the House of Bishops relating to proposed changes in the Prayer Book.

All individual speeches under the heads 7 and 8 shall be limited to five (5) minutes; except as to the Spokesman for the Commission in presenting the items or in closing the debate.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections, presented:

Report No. 2. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Dr. Thomas Turnbull of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention as a Deputy in place of Dr. Theodore Diller who is no longer able to attend; that Mr. J. A. Edge of the Diocese of Lexington, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. J. R. Hunt, who has declined to serve; that the Rev. Paul Engle of the Diocese of Texas, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of the Rev. Frank A. Rhea, who has declined to serve; that the Rev. James S. Allen of the Diocese of Texas, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of the Rev. L. V. Lee, who has declined to serve; that Mr. Harvey H. Smith, of the Diocese of Pittsburgh, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve in the Convention as a Deputy, in place of Mr. William A. Cornelius who can serve no longer; that Mr. William A. Shuart of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts, elected as a Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. Henry A. Field, who has declined to serve; that Mr. Harry Hall of the Diocese of Northern Indiana, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention as a Deputy in place of Mr. Henry P. Conkey who is no longer able to serve; that Mr. Martin V. Starr of the Diocese of Northern Indiana, elected as a Deputy to this General Convention, but not able to serve during the first week of the Convention, an Alternate Deputy serving in his place, and the Alternate having now relinquished his seat, Mr. Martin V. Starr is accredited as a Deputy to this Convention, to serve therein; that Mr. Frank Oldfield, of the Diocese of Vermont, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. Marvelle C. Webber, and that Mr. L. A. Pradt of the Diocese of Fond du Lac elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Conven-
Rev. Mr. Spencer of the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses presented Report No. 2; the resolution contained therein was adopted:

**REPORT No. 2.** The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to which was referred the joint petition of the Dioceses of Milwaukee and Fond du Lac, asking the consent of the General Convention to the cession of portions of their respective territories and the erection therefrom of a new Diocese; said new Diocese to consist of that portion of the present Diocese of Milwaukee known as the Convocation of La Crosse, and consisting of the Counties of La Crosse, Juneau, Monroe and Vernon, together with the remaining counties lying north thereof and west of the west line of Range Four west of the Fourth Principal Meridian, together with that portion of the present Diocese of Fond du Lac comprising the counties of Ashland, Iron, Price, Taylor and Clark, together with the portions of the counties of Bayfield, Sawyer and Rusk lying east of the west line of Range Four west of the Fourth Principal Meridian.

The Committee find that all the Constitutional and Canonical provisions have been complied with, and unanimously recommend that the joint petition of the Dioceses of Milwaukee and Fond du Lac be granted. They therefore offer the following resolution:

**Resolved,** the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention grant the joint petition of the Dioceses of Milwaukee and Fond du Lac for the cession of their respective territories as specified and the Erection of a new Diocese with the limits and boundaries mentioned in their joint petitions.

**WILLIAM H. MILTON, Chairman,**
**ROBERT N. SPENCER, Secretary.**

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 22.]

Rev. Dr. Maxon presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Canons which was placed on the Calendar:

**REPORT No. 2.** *Whereas,* Your Committee, to which was referred a Memorial from the Diocese of New Jersey relative to the phrasing in Canon 36, § 1., of the General Canons of 1925, concerning a Minister's "Renunciation of the Ministry" of this Church, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

**Resolved,** the House of Bishops concurring, That in Canon 36, § 1., line 21, the words "deprived of" be stricken out and the words "prohibited from exercising" be substituted in lieu thereof, so that the section shall read from line 17 on: "and with their advice and consent he may pronounce that such renunciation is accepted, and that he is prohibited from exercising the gifts and spiritual authority as a Minister of God's Word and Sacraments conferred on him in his Ordination."

**W. M. D. MAXON, Chairman.**
Rev. Dr. Whitaker of the Committee on Missions presented:

Report No. 1. The Committee on Missions begs to report that it has organized by the election of the Rev. Dr. Whitaker of Tennessee as Chairman and the Rev. Dr. Allen of California as Secretary.

WALTER C. WHITAKER, Chairman.

Mr. Hazard of South Carolina presented additional signatures to the Memorial against the omission of the Thirty-nine Articles from the Book of Common Prayer, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Enrichment and Revision of the Prayer Book.

Mr. Tully of Long Island presented the Report of the Board of Church Finance (Appendix III.), and the resolution appended thereto was adopted as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to consult and advise with the Board of Church Finance in the preparation of the Parochial Report and Syllabus, and present its findings to this Convention.

The President appointed as members on the part of this House:

The Rev. Mr. Rogers of Northern Indiana, the Rev. Dr. Glass of South Florida, and Messrs. Houston of Pennsylvania and Erwin of North Carolina.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 25.]

The Report of the Board of Church Finance was placed on the Calendar.

Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland presented the following resolutions, which were referred to the Committee on Rural Work:

WHEREAS, Village and Country life in America constitutes a constant and crying challenge to the love and leadership of the Church, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That General Convention calls upon the leaders and members of the Church to awake to the privileges and responsibilities confronting them in the rural fields of Diocese, state and nation, and make definite effort to win and serve and save those who do not know and love our Lord Jesus Christ.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That General Convention recommends the appointment of Commissions or Committees on Rural Work in the provinces, Dioceses and missionary districts of the Church.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That General Convention requests the bishops and clergy of the Church to include rural work, or some phrase thereof, in their Rogation Sunday services and sermons.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that General Convention urges upon all Diocesan and district authorities the spiritual and strategic importance of

1. Spreading the Church in Rural America.
2. Promoting the prestige of rural Church work.
3. Establishing and holding Diocesan, regional and national conferences for clergy and women interested in the development of rural Church work.

4. Raising the standard of salaries for rural clergy.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That General Convention urges all seminaries of the Church to include in their various curricula training courses on rural Church life and require at least three months' experience in village or country work before being eligible to graduation.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that General Convention urges all co-operating agencies of the Church to extend their services into village and country life wherever Diocesan and local conditions warrant.

Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania presented the Third Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music (Appendix XIX.), and the resolution appended thereto was adopted as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the third report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted, and that the Commission be continued, with power to fill vacancies and to add to its numbers.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 23.]

Rev. Dr. Hart of Tennessee presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted by the next General Convention in accordance with Article XI., of the Constitution:

Amend Article I., Section 4, paragraph 1, by adding in line eleven after the word "Diocese" the words "But at least one deputy in each Order must at the time of election be under thirty-five (35) years of age, if there are such in the Diocese."

Mr. Taliaferro of Wyoming presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

Be it Resolved, That paragraph two of Article X. of the Constitution of this Church be amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States of America entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders, and as provided in Sec. 4, Article 1 of this Constitution.
Dean Robbins of New York presented the following resolutions, which were placed on the Calendar.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the service of the American Bible Society in translating, publishing and circulating the Sacred Scriptures in many languages and in many parts of the world be recognized as indispensable to our Churches and Missions, both home and foreign; and that the work of this Society be cordially commended to the Presiding Bishop and Council, as part of the Advance Work of the Church.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That upon the invitation of the American Bible Society, the Presiding Bishop again appoint a representative of the Protestant Episcopal Church as a member of the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society.

Rev. Mr. Atwater of Easton presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 5, Sec. IV., be amended as follows:

In line 18, after the words "in which he was ordained" insert "Nor shall he officiate in any place or places save under the direction of the Bishop," so that the amended Sec. IV. of Canon 5, shall read:

"The Bishop of any Diocese or Missionary District, subject to the consent of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, may, at his discretion, dispense a Candidate desiring to be ordained Deacon from all Examination except in the following subjects: (a) The Contents and Interpretation of the Books of Holy Scripture; (b) the Doctrines of this Church; (c) the Contents and Use of the Book of Common Prayer, and (d) Church History; a general outline, together with the history of this Church in the United States of America, and the history of Christian Missions. And a Deacon so ordained, who has served with good repute and success for at least two years in the Diaconate, may be advanced to the Priesthood without further examination; Provided, that no Deacon or Priest so ordained shall be transferred from the Diocese or District within the United States in which he was ordained, nor shall he officiate in any place or places save under the direction of the Bishop, until and unless the Board of Examining Chaplains shall certify that he has passed the examinations prescribed in Canon 4, Sec. I. However, any Priest so ordained who conforms to the conditions of Canon 2, Sec. V. [iv.] and Canon 4, Sec. II., may be granted letters dimissory to another Diocese or District upon the request, in writing, of the Bishop of that Diocese or District.

Mr. Kearney of Louisiana presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on Evangelism be continued.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 24.]

Rev. Mr. Bentley of Atlanta presented the following preamble and resolution, which was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program:

Whereas, The accomplishment of the Church's Program depends upon the interest and support of our laymen, many of whom at the present
time do not show any great amount of personal responsibility for its prosecution;

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention instruct the National Council to present the Program for the coming triennium to the Dioceses and Missionary Districts in terms of work as well as in terms of money.

2. That each Diocese and Missionary District shall have assigned to it a definite missionary field whose work it shall support plus a proportionate share of the amount necessary to carry on the work of the Departments of the National Council other than the Department of Missions.

3. That each Diocese and Missionary District be asked to assign to its parishes and missions a definite item or items of work in the missionary field the Diocese or Missionary District has been given to maintain together with a share of the amount laid upon the Diocese or Missionary District for the support of the Departments of the National Council other than the Department of Missions.

Judge Parker of Massachusetts presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 36, Sec. I., be amended by striking out the words "in the form in which the same is recorded" in the eight and ninth lines on page 119.

The Rev. Mr. McGann of Western Massachusetts presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Chaplain Evans of the United States Naval Academy, who is present in the House, be given the courtesy of the floor.

The Secretary of the Joint Sessions presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Evangelism which had been presented to the Joint Session, and by it referred to both Houses of the General Convention.

The Secretary presented a Memorial from the Daughters of the King on Evangelism, which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The Rev. Dr. Powell, for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, offered the Amendments of the Constitution proposed at the Convention of 1925, and to be finally acted upon at the Convention of 1928. Action on these amendments was postponed, and the report placed on the Calendar.

The House then resumed consideration of the amendments to the Book of Common Prayer.

The House stood adjourned.
The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the sixth day were read and approved.

The following Deputies not before present, appeared and took their seats:


Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That immediately following this report the Order of Business for today shall be as follows:
1. Messages from the House of Bishops, except as to changes in Prayer Book.
2. Reports of Standing Committees in their order.
3. Reports of Special Committees.
4. Reports of Joint Commissions and Joint Committees.
5. Petitions and Memorials.
6. Motions and Resolutions.
7. Ratification of proposed changes in the Prayer Book and Messages from the House of Bishops relating thereto.

All individual speeches under this head shall be limited to five (5 minutes; except as to the Spokesmen for the Commission in presenting the items or in closing the debate.

**MESSAGE No. 18.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 36, Section 1., line 21, be amended by the insertion after the words "deprived of" the words "the right to exercise."

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

**Message No. 19, House of Bishops, Prayer Book Revision.**

**MESSAGE No. 20.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 19, that a Joint Committee be appointed to recommend the place of meeting of the next General Convention and the
House of Bishops has appointed as members of such Committee on its part, the Bishop of New Hampshire, the Bishop of Sacramento and the Bishop of North Carolina.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 21.
Sixth day of Session,
October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 18, appointing a Joint Committee to prepare a resolution expressing our appreciation of the services of Mr. W. W. Skiddy as Treasurer of the General Convention, and this House has appointed as member of such Committee on its part The Bishop of Connecticut, the Rt. Rev. E. Campian Acheson, D.D.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 22.
Sixth day of Session,
October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 20 appointing a Joint Conference Committee on all matters concerning the revision of the Book of Common Prayer, and this House has appointed as members of such Joint Conference Committee, the Bishop of Vermont, the Bishop of Chicago and the Bishop of Tennessee.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 23.
Sixth day of Session,
October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 21, appointing a Joint Committee to consider and report upon the Report and Program of the National Council to this Convention, and all matters incident thereto, and the Report of the Evaluation Committee.

The House of Bishops has appointed as members of such Joint Committee the Bishop of Mississippi, the Bishop of Duluth, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of Los Angeles and the Bishop of Delaware.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 24.
Sixth day of Session,
October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 22, granting the joint petition of the Dioceses of Milwaukee and Fond du Lac for the cession of their respective territories as specified, and the erection of a new diocese with the limits and boundaries mentioned in their joint petitions.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 25.
Sixth day of Session,
October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 23, accepting the third Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music, and that the Commission be continued with power to fill vacancies and to add to its numbers.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 24, that the Joint Commission on Evangelism be continued.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The following communications were received from the House of Bishops:

HOUSE OF BISHOPS IN GENERAL CONVENTION
Washington, D. C.  
October 16, 1928.

To the House of Deputies:
Acting under the provision of Canon 18, Section VII. [iv.], I have declared the completion of the Resignation of The Right Reverend Chauncey Bunce Brewster, D.D., as Bishop of the Diocese of Connecticut, and have directed the proper change to be made in the Roll of the House.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Presiding Bishop.
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

HOUSE OF BISHOPS IN GENERAL CONVENTION
Washington, D. C.  
October 16, 1928.

To the House of Deputies:
Acting under the provision of Canon 18, Section VII. [iv.], I have declared the completion of the Resignation of The Right Reverend Lewis William Burton, D.D., Bishop of Lexington, and have directed the proper change to be made in the Roll of the House.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Presiding Bishop.
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

HOUSE OF BISHOPS IN GENERAL CONVENTION
Washington, D. C.  
October 16, 1928.

To the House of Deputies:
Acting under the provision of Canon 18, Section VII. [iv.], I have declared the completion of the Resignation of The Right Reverend Lucien Lee Kinsolving, S.T.D., as Bishop of Southern Brazil, and have directed the proper change to be made in the Roll of the House.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Presiding Bishop.
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

HOUSE OF BISHOPS IN GENERAL CONVENTION
Washington, D. C.  
October 16, 1928.

To the House of Deputies:
Acting under the provision of Canon 18, Section VII. [iv.], I have declared the completion of the Resignation of The Right Reverend Richard Henry Nelson, D.D., as Bishop of Albany, and as of July 1, 1929, and have directed the proper change to be made in the Roll of the House as of that date.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Presiding Bishop.
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 3. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Mr. James C. Mather of the Missionary District of South Dakota, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention as a Deputy in place of Mr. Max Royhl; that Mr. Clarence M. Cochrane, of the Diocese of Iowa, elected as a Deputy to this General Convention by the Deputation of that Diocese in accordance with the Canons of that Diocese, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. John M. Tosh; that Mr. Charles L. Behm of the Diocese of Central New York, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Dr. W. P. Baker; that Mr. John M. Prophet of the Diocese of Western New York, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Frank B. Baird, who is unable to serve any longer; that Mr. A. A. Tower, of the Diocese of Alabama, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention as a Deputy in place of Mr. Algernon Blair; and that Mr. Francis E. Drake, appointed to represent the American Churches in Europe in this General Convention, is accredited as a Deputy to this Convention to serve therein, in place of Mr. Monell Sayre, who has resigned as a Deputy.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Powell of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution has organized by electing Rev. Dr. Powell of California as Chairman, and Mr. Browne of Washington, D. C., as Secretary.

HERBERT H. POWELL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Richey of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary presented Report No. 2 of the Committee:

REPORT No. 2. The Committee on the General Theological Seminary begs leave to report that it has met and organized by electing Rev. Dr. Richey of Delaware as Chairman and Rev. Dean Hutchinson of Milwaukee as Secretary. Herewith is presented the report of the Trustees of the Seminary with the request that the Dean, the Rev. Dr. Fosbroke, read the same to the Convention.

ALBAN RICHEY, Chairman.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Dean of the General Theological Seminary be given the courtesy of the floor to present the report of the General Theological Seminary.

The same gentleman presented the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Standing Committee of this House, with that of the House of Bishops, on the General Theological Seminary be constituted as a Joint Commission empowered and instructed to sit during the interim of the meetings of the General Convention, and to prepare a report to be presented to the General Convention.
Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented Report No. 3, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 3. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution submitted by the Hon. Burton Mansfield, D.C.L., of the Diocese of Connecticut, proposing an amendment to Canon 51, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 51 be amended by adding at the end thereof the following:

"Section X. The Treasurer may appoint, subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, an Assistant Treasurer, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Treasurer and shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him by the Treasurer. He shall give a bond conditioned on the faithful performance of his duties. The amount thereof and the terms on which the same shall be given shall be subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, the expense of such bond to be paid by the General Convention."

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 28.]

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented Report No. 4, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 4. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution submitted by Rev. Charles L. Atwater, of the Diocese of Easton, proposing an amendment to Canon 5, Section IV., reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 5, Section IV., be amended as follows: In line 18 of the Canon after the words "in which he was ordained," add the following, "nor shall he officiate in any place or places save under the direction of the direction of the Bishop"; so that the section beginning with the word "Provided" shall read as follows: "Provided, that no Deacon or Priest so ordained shall be transferred from the Diocese or District within the United States in which he was ordained, nor shall he officiate in any place or places save under the direction of the Bishop, until and unless the Board of Examining Chaplains shall certify that he has passed the examinations prescribed in Canon 4, Section 1."

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 29.]

Rev. Mr. Sulger of Indianapolis presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee consisting of one Bishop, one Presbyter and one Layman be appointed to take order for the placing of an appropriate wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington Cemetery on behalf of the General Convention of 1928, on the occasion of the Pilgrimage to Arlington next Saturday.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Silver of New York and Mr. Parker of Massachusetts.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 55.]
Mr. Thorne of New York presented the following preambles and resolution, which were placed on the Calendar:

WHEREAS, In April, 1928, after successfully completing their course of training at the Church Army Centre in Providence, Rhode Island, five laymen were commissioned as Captains in the Church Army of the United States and

WHEREAS, The beginning of a Church Army in this country was made possible through the generous cooperation of the Church Army in Great Britain under the leadership of its Founder, Prebendary Carlile, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention records its gratitude to the Church Army in Great Britain and its Founder Prebendary Carlile for their valued and generous leadership in promoting this practical field of service for laymen of our Church, and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention commends the Church Army in the United States and its helpful activities to the Church throughout the Country.

Mr. Baker of New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee be appointed, consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, to nominate Trustees of the Church Pension Fund.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

Rev. Mr. Gravatt of Southwestern Virginia, Rev. Mr. Hobson of Western Massachusetts, Rev. Mr. Llwyd of Oklahoma, and Messrs. Shackelford of Albany, Flick of Nevada and Barbour of Michigan.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 56.]

The Rev. Dr. Goodwin of Southern Virginia presented the following preambles and resolutions, which were referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program:

WHEREAS, This Church, representatively assembled in General Convention, has received through the National Council of the Church the program and quotas for the maintenance and extension of the Mission of the Church for the next Triennium; and

WHEREAS, Offerings of money are called for under the designation of assigned Quotas as an essential part of this program; and

WHEREAS, The giving of a proportionate part of our substance to God through sacramental Offerings was provided by God in ancient days as a means for educating His children into the constant and continuous consciousness of their relationship to Him, and as a means for promoting and expressing the consecration of ourselves and our material possessions to Him; and

WHEREAS, The Christ Incarnate, in coming to establish the Kingdom of God upon earth, revoked and intensified this divine call through the perfect offering and sacrifice of Himself, and called His Church to be the Body in which He would dwell and through which He would continue to serve and save the world,

Therefore, the House of Bishops concurring, be it
Resolved, First: That the distinct and clear objective of the Mission of the Church is the building up of the Body of Christ in the extension, enrichment and establishment of His Kingdom to the end that the things which He began to do and teach may be perfected in the life of humanity.

Resolved, Second: That the Church be reminded that the high calling of God in Christ Jesus is not a burden but a privilege in that we are thus permitted to share in perpetuating the sacrifice of the Body of Christ, which is His Church, in giving itself, as He gave Himself, for the life of the world.

Resolved, Third: That in order that the Church may be led to share in the joy with which He endured the Cross that this Convention calls in His Name upon all Christian people to base their giving upon the divine principle of Christian Stewardship expressed in regular proportionate and sacrificial giving, to the end that the Objective of the Church shall not appear to be the raising of a financial quota but the consecration of His Body to the fulfilment of His will in the extension and establishment of the Kingdom of God upon earth.

Rev. Mr. Stroup of Western North Carolina presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program:

Resolved, That a committee of five presbyters and five laymen be appointed from this House to confer with the Department of Missions of the National Council, looking to a more intimate contact between missionaries and the congregations of this Church.

And further, that they be instructed to consider a return to a modified form of specials for advance work, and that they make their report to this Convention.

Rev. Mr. Johnson of Western North Carolina presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program:

Resolved, That, with the adoption of the Budget and Program in terms of financial needs, this Convention reasserts that the real Program of this Church is evangelism for the salvation of mankind through Jesus Christ Our Lord.

Rev. Dr. Little of Sacramento presented the following resolutions, which were referred to the Committee on Social Service.

Whereas, The United States Government through its Secretary of State, the Honorable Frank B. Kellogg, has signed with fourteen other nations the Kellogg-Briand Peace-Pact of far-reaching importance and which portends toward the outlawry of war, therefore be it

Resolved, That the House of Deputies with the House of Bishops concurring, does hereby record its sincere approval of said Peace-Pact in the blessed hope that the coming of the Kingdom of God on earth will be hastened, and ultimately the Prince of Peace shall reign supreme.

Mr. Beale of Massachusetts presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes
be made in the last paragraph of Article I., Section 4, of the Constitution: After the words "and of a one-fourth vote in the Lay order" change the semi-colon to a period, and add after the period, "If the vote of a Diocese in either order is divided, it shall be counted as a one-half vote in the affirmative and a one-half vote in the negative."

In the next sentence change "and the" to "the" and omit the word "whole."

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes be made in Article X. of the Constitution. In each place where the phrase "by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses" occurs add the words "and Missionary Districts."

Mr. Pepper of Pennsylvania presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, An incorporated group of patriotic citizens are working for the restoration of "Wakefield," the birthplace of George Washington; and

Whereas, This Church approves the policy of preserving for the inspiration of all men the places which enshrine the memories of our national heroes; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Convention records its approval of the work of the Wakefield National Memorial Association and commends to the favorable consideration of all Church people the appeal of the Association for cooperation and support.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 30.]

Rev. Mr. Lee of Anking presented the following preambles and resolution, which were referred to the Committee on Christian Education:

Whereas, Education allied with religion is the hope of the world, and whereas in Church secondary schools not only is all truth presented from the standpoint of religion but special instruction is given in the Christian Faith and special training in the practice of the Christian life, and

Whereas, These schools, in many cases with inadequate equipment, have for many years been turning out men and women of fine training and strong Christian character and have thus made an invaluable contribution to the life of the Church and Nation; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention places on record its conviction of the great value of Church secondary schools and commends their services to Church families throughout the land and their needs to those whom God has entrusted with the means of larger stewardship.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of Erie requested that the "Report of the Committee to which was referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces and All Matters Pertaining Thereto" be referred to the Committee on Canons and the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, and it was so referred.

Mr. W. W. Skiddy, Treasurer of the General Convention, presented his report, which was referred to the Committee on Expenses. (Appendix IX.)
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 27.**

Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it nominates to the House of Deputies for Recorder, during the next triennium, the Rev. William S. Slack, of Louisiana.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House received the nomination in the foregoing Message, and elected the Rev. William S. Slack of Louisiana, Recorder.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 36.]

**MESSAGE No. 28.**

Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.


CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House received the nomination in the foregoing Message, and elected the Rev. Charles L. Pardee, D.D., of New York, Registrar.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 35.]

**MESSAGE No. 29.**

Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it nominates to the House of Deputies for Historiographer during the next triennium the Rev. E. Clowes Chorley, D.D., of New York.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House received the nomination in the foregoing Message, and elected the Rev. E. Clowes Chorley, D.D., of New York, Historiographer.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 34.]

**MESSAGE No. 30.** House of Bishops, Prayer Book Revision.

**MESSAGE No. 31.**

Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 16, instructing the Secretaries in the printing of the Journal to segregate the record of all action relating to the Revision of the Book of Common Prayer and to print it as a separate section of the Journal.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

**MESSAGE No. 32.**

Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church gives its cordial approval to the movement to recognize the anniversary of the signing of Magna Charta.
because of its significance in the life of the Church and of the English speaking peoples; and recommends to the Bishops and other Clergy of the Church, wherever possible and practicable, the observance of the anniversary on the third Sunday in June.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 33.]

MESSAGE No. 33. Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the present tasks of the Church be continued for the special purpose of carrying forward the study and discussion of the Survey of Women Workers in the Church prepared for the Woman's Auxiliary in 1923, and making such further survey along these lines as may be necessary.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention heartily approves the Retiring Fund for Deaconesses and commends it to the sympathy and support of the Church.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 32.]

MESSAGE No. 34. Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Architecture and the Allied Arts be continued with power to fill vacancies and add to its number.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 31.]

MESSAGE No. 35. Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the service of the American Bible Society in translating, publishing and circulating the Sacred Scriptures in many languages and in many parts of the world be recognized as indispensable to our Churches and Missions, both home and foreign; and that the work of this Society be cordially recommended to the National Council as part of the Work of the Church.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That upon the invitation of the American Bible Society, the Presiding Bishop again appoint a representative of the Protestant Episcopal Church as a member of the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.
Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee on Arrangements of the General Convention be requested to effect plans for a Joint Session, covering an afternoon or evening mass meeting where the whole subject of Church Unity may be presented by our Commission on Faith and Order.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring:

1. That the Presiding Bishop be requested to lead the General Convention in joint session in a suitable corporate act of thanksgiving to Almighty God for the blessing and guidance which He has given to the World Conference on Faith and Order.

2. That a suitable message of thanks of the General Convention for the labor of those who participated in the World Conference and contributed to its success be transmitted to the Continuation Committee.

3. That the Continuation Committee also be informed that in the judgment of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church the World Conference should be continued, care being taken to preserve its educational nature by excluding schematic action; and that when the opportune time arrives this Church will gladly participate in another meeting of the Conference.

4. That the Commission of this Church on the World Conference on Faith and Order be continued; and be instructed to appoint in the near future a special committee of theologians and scholars—not confined to the members of the Commission—for the purpose of assisting the Commission to consider and report to the next General Convention on the Lausanne Reports, and to confer as opportunity occurs on questions of Faith and Order with other Christian Communions.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

On motion of Judge Henry of Iowa, consideration of the above Message was postponed at this time, it being understood that it would be considered at the Joint Session referred to in the Message of the House of Bishops.

Rev. Dr. Suter of Massachusetts presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention express their grateful appreciation to the generous member of the Church who is defraying the expense of the publication of the Standard Book.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 37.]
The President announced the following changes in the membership of committees:

Committee on Expenses: Mr. W. G. Mather of Marquette in place of Mr. Samuel Mather, who is not present; Mr. John S. Rogers of Maine in place of Mr. Shaddick, who also is not present.

Committee on Budget and Program: Mr. Warren Kearny of Louisiana in place of Mr. F. C. Morehouse of Milwaukee, who resigns.

Noonday prayers for missions were said by the President, and the House adjourned at 12:00 to reconvene at 2:30, when the House would be asked to adjourn at 4:00 o'clock.

At the afternoon session, in the absence of the President, the Rev. Dr. Powell of California was in the Chair and called the House to order at 2:30 P.M.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the order of business for this afternoon be as follows:
4. Report of Commission of Church Architecture, etc.
5. Memorial from Diocese of Southwestern Virginia.
7. Report of Board of Church Finance.
8. Message No. 36 from House of Bishops.
9. Resolution Calendar No. 16.
10. Resolution Calendar No. 18.
11. Motions and resolutions.

No. 1 being taken from the Calendar, the Report of the Committee on Provinces, on motion of the Rev. Dr. Aigner of Erie, consideration of this Report was postponed until Thursday morning.

No. 4 being taken from the Calendar, the Report of the Army and Navy Commission was presented by the Rev. Dr. Silver of New York.

No. 5 being taken from the Calendar, namely the Report of the Custodian of the Archives, the Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York presented the following resolution as a substitute for the first resolution attached to the Report, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting of three bishops, three presbyters and three laymen, be appointed to consider and report on the question of the renovation and custody of the Archives of the General Convention.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:
The Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York, the Rev. Dr. Goodwin of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Mr. Pennington of Florida, and Messrs. Wickersham of New York, Mansfield of Connecticut and Laflin of Milwaukee.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 62.]
The second resolution attached to the Report of the Custodian of the Archives was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Custodian of the Archives be and hereby is authorized to supply Diocesan Journals, of which he has duplicates, to dioceses, missionary districts and State Historical Societies desiring them, and to destroy those remaining for which there is no request.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 40.]

No. 6 being taken from the Calendar, Report of the Joint Commission on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts, Dean Robbins of New York presented the resolution attached to the Report, but it was found that this resolution had been presented in Message No. 34 of the House of Bishops and concurred in by the House of Deputies in Message No. 31.

No. 7 being taken from the Calendar, resolutions from the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia on the definition of the word "Communicant," and a concise manual of instruction as to the filling in of Parochial Reports were referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

No. 11 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 2 of the Committee on Canons, it was found that the resolution contained therein had already been received from the House of Bishops in their Message No. 18, and concurred in by the House of Deputies in Message No. 41.

No. 12 being taken from the Calendar, the Report of the Board of Church Finance, in the absence of Mr. Tully of Long Island, who presented this Report, it was placed back on the Calendar. 12.

No. 18 being taken from the Calendar, resolutions on the Church Army presented by Mr. Thorne of New York were adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 57.]

No. 16 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Richey recommending that the Standing Committees of the two Houses on the General Theological Seminary be constituted as a Joint Commission was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 39.]

No. 19 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution presented by Mr. Thorne of New York supplementing Message No. 37 of the House of Bishops which was lost, was reconsidered at this time and placed back on the Calendar. 19.
Mr. Seymour of Long Island presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that Canon 46 “Of the Standard Book of Common Prayer” be and it is hereby amended by striking out Section 1 and substituting in place and in lieu thereof the following: Section 1. The Copy of the Book of Common Prayer as revised and finally accepted by the General Convention of this Church in the year of our Lord 1928, and authenticated by the signatures of the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of the General Convention is hereby declared to be the Standard Book of Common Prayer in this Church.

The Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That if another Joint Session of the two Houses is held, this House respectfully requests the Local Committee to arrange for a larger hall for such Joint Session.

Dean Bartlett of Central New York presented the Report of the Joint Commission on the Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry, which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Osgood of Minnesota presented the following preambles and resolutions, which was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program:

Whereas, The Annual Lenten Offerings of the Church School, according to the present custom of the Church, are absorbed into the regular income of the Church and into the apportionment system thereof; and

Whereas, It would seem to be the ideal that the Lenten Offerings of the Church Schools should ultimately be administered as a separate and extra sum over and above the regular contributions of the Churches in a manner analogous to that of the United Thank Offering of the Woman’s Auxiliary, and

Whereas, The educational value of the Lenten Offerings to the givers thereof would seem largely to depend upon the appeal of special objects to be assigned as the projects for said offerings:

Therefore, the House of Bishops concurring, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies hereby requests the Presiding Bishop of the Church to appoint a special committee on the membership of which there shall be a representative or representatives of the Department of Finance, the Department of Missions, the Department of Religious Education, and any other Departments concerned with the Lenten Offering to consider, with power, the following matters and any others germane to the subject:

(a) The possibility of assigning special objects for the Lenten Offerings,
(b) The first steps looking toward the ultimate ideal of an unab sorbed Lenten Offering,
(c) The possibility of assigning special objects of advance work to be cared for by any sum of the Lenten Offering above a stipulated sum. (d) The proper methods of emphasizing the significance and the admirable totals of said offering, possibly by the withholding of the knowledge of the triennial total until the session of General Convention and the announcement of that total at that time.
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 36.

Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Methodist Episcopal Church, and the Methodist Church South, and the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America and the Presbyterian Church in the United States be invited to form Commissions from their respective bodies to sit with a similar Commission in active study of matters of Christian Morality looking toward organic unity.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

MESSAGE No. 36a (Supplementing Message No. 36) Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Commission of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen chosen from our younger theologians, be appointed to act with the Commissions above mentioned, i.e., Commissions of Methodist and Presbyterian Churches, and report to the next General Convention, and this House appoints as members of such Joint Commission on its part the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Fond du Lac and the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

MESSAGE No. 40.

Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission on Rural Work, consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and five Laymen be appointed for fostering of the Church’s work in village and country life; and that this Commission gives consideration to the following proposition:

1. The appointment of Commissions or Committees on Rural Work in the Provinces, Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the Church;
2. That the Bishops and other Clergy be requested to include the subject of Rural Work in their sermons on Rogation Sunday;
3. That this Commission encourage the establishment of Diocesan, District and Regional Conferences on Rural Work;
4. That the Theological Seminaries of the Church be urged to include Rural Work in their curricula, and the House of Bishops appoints as members of such Joint Commission on its part the Bishop Coadjutor of Vermont, the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio, the Bishop of Easton, the Bishop of Kansas and the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Rural Work.
EIGHTH DAY

CONTINENTAL HALL, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the seventh day were read and approved.

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:


No. 19 was taken from the Calendar, being Message No. 37 from the House of Bishops requesting a Joint Session, and Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which, with the amendments made thereto, was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a special Joint Session of the two Houses be held on Monday, October 22nd, from ten to one and from 2:30 to 5 p.m. to consider the following matters:

1. Report on Church Unity by the Commission on Faith and Order.
2. The subject of Evangelism in the Church.
3. The subject of the Church's special work for young people.

And further Resolved, That the delegates to the Triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary be invited, and further

Resolved, That all seats in the galleries and on the floor not occupied ten minutes after the Joint Session opens shall be open to them and others.
Further Resolved, That the Joint Session be authorized to recommend legislation to the two Houses.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 42.]

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Order of Business for this morning shall be as follows:

1. Reports of Standing Committees in their order.
2. Reports of Special Committees.
3. Reports of Joint Commissions or Joint Committees.
4. Petitions and Memorials.
5. Motions and Resolutions.
6. Address by Mr. Schapiro on the Hebrew Mission to be Special Order immediately after the midday prayer, and to be limited to 15 minutes.
7. Message No. 35 from the House of Bishops relative to the American Bible Society and House Resolution No. 14 on the Calendar. Ten minutes time to be allowed to representative of the Society to address the House.
8. Change in method of electing the Presiding Bishop and proposed Amendment of Constitution therefor.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 4. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Mr. Robert Peirce, of the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia, elected an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. Charles Francis Cocke; that Mr. James C. Adams, of the Diocese of West Texas, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. Hiram Partee who has declined his election; and that Mr. Harry C. Gerhart, of the Diocese of Tennessee, appointed an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, by the Bishop of Tennessee, in accordance with the Canons of that Diocese, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. Charles S. Martin who is unable to attend.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of the Committee on Consecration of Bishops reported that the Committee had received the testimonials of the election of the Rev. Albert Sidney Thomas as Bishop of South Carolina.

The Rev. Dr. Powell of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented:

REPORT No. 2. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution has considered the proposal of Rev. Dr. Hart, to amend Article I., Section 4,
of the Constitution so as to provide that each Diocese shall elect one deputy in each order under the age of 35 years, if there be such. The Committee deems this inexpedient and recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

HERBERT H. POWELL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Hart presented his original resolution as a substitute for the Report of the Committee, and both were placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Powell of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented Report No. 3 which was placed on the Calendar, to be considered in connection with the Report of the Committee to which is referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces and all other matters pertaining thereto:

REPORT No.3. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution has considered the amendment to Article II., Section 6, of the Constitution submitted by the Committee to which was referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces and finds the same in due form and proper for submission to the Convention, and therefore recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in accordance with the provisions of Article XI. of the Constitution:

Cancel Section 6 of Article II. of the Constitution and insert instead thereof a new Section reading as follows:

Sec. 6. A Bishop may not resign his episcopal charge without the consent either of the House of Bishops of the Church, or of the House of Bishops of the Province in which his office has been exercised, in either case under conditions provided by the Canons of the General Convention.

HERBERT H. POWELL, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented Report No. 5, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No.5. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution submitted by Rev. Dr. Powell, of the Diocese of California, relating to Candidates, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes be made in Canon 5:

1. Strike out Sec. I. of Canon 5, and substitute the following:

"Sec. 1. In special cases the requirements of the Normal Standard of Learning may be modified as hereinafter provided. And in none of these special cases shall the Candidate who has successfully passed the examinations herein prescribed for the Diaconate be required to take a further examination before his advancement to the Priesthood; Provided, however, that the Board of Examining Chaplains may, at their discretion, and upon due notice given to the Candidate, require a supplemen-
tary examination before he shall be ordered Priest; and Provided, further, that in every case the Deacon before he shall be ordered Priest, shall be examined by the Bishop and two Presbyters, in the office and work of a Priest, and as to his ability to serve the Church in that Order of the Ministry.

2. Amend Canon 5, Sec. II., by inserting after the word "examination" in line five, these words:

"Save as prescribed in Sec. I. of this Canon."

3. Amend Canon 5, Sec. III., by inserting after the word "examination" in line five, these words:

"Save as prescribed in Sec. I. of this Canon."

4. Amend Canon 5, Sec. IV., by inserting after the word "examination" in line thirteen of page 34, these words:

"Save as prescribed in Sec. I. of this Canon."

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 43.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 6, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 6. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution submitted by Rev. Dr. H. H. Powell, of the Diocese of California, relating to medical examinations for Candidates for Ordination, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes be made in Canon 7:

After Section III. insert the following as a new section:

"Section IV. The Standing Committee or Council of Advice shall not recommend a Candidate to the Bishop for ordination to the Diaconate until there has been presented a certificate from a physician, appointed by the Bishop, given after an examination made within two months of the recommendation, covering the Candidate's physical, mental and nervous condition."

Correct Section IV. to read "Section V."

Correct Section V. to read "Section VI."

Correct Section VI. to read "Section VII."

Correct Section VII. to read "Section VIII."

Correct Section VIII. to read "Section IX."

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 45.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 7, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 7. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution submitted by the Recorder of Ordinations in his report to the House of Deputies, relating to the duties of the Recorder, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 51, Section IV. [i.] be amended by the addition after the words "List of Ordinations" the following:

"And present at each triennial session of the General Convention a report showing all Ordinations, Suspensions, Depositions, and Restora-
tions that have taken place in the three calendar years next preceding the holding of the Convention."

Strike out all that follows in said sub-section, so that the entire sub-section shall read:

"Section IV. [i.], The House of Deputies, upon nomination of the House of Bishops, shall elect a Recorder, whose duty it shall be to continue the List of Ordinations and present at each triennial session of the General Convention a report showing all Ordinations, Suspensions, Depositions, and Restorations that have taken place in the three calendar years next preceding the holding of the Convention."

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 44.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 8, and the request was granted:

Report No. 8. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution submitted by the Honorable Mr. Parker, of the Diocese of Massachusetts, for an amendment to Canon 36, Section I., on the Renunciation of the Ministry, by striking out the words "in the form in which the same is recorded," reports that it has considered the same, deems the proposed change inexpedient at this time, and asks that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Diller of the Committee on the State of the Church presented Report No. 2, and the request was granted:

Report No. 2. The Committee on State of the Church, reporting to the House of Deputies on a referred Memorial to General Convention from the Daughters of the King, commends the resolution attached to said Memorial and the services of women in evangelism and asks that this Memorial and report be referred by the House of Deputies to the Joint Commission on Evangelism.

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 3, and the request was granted:

Report No. 3. The Committee on the State of the Church to which was referred the Report of the Committee on Diocesan Service Book of the Diocese of Massachusetts reports that it has considered the same and asks that it be referred to the Commission on Church Music.

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 4, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 4. The Committee on the State of the Church to which was referred the resolution of Mr. Overson of North Dakota, in reference to providing books of commendation blanks, begs to report that it is in hearty sympathy with the aim and purpose of the resolution; to call attention to the fact that the transfer of communicants is required by Canon law and commendation blanks are printed by various Church publishing houses; further

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this whole matter be referred to the National Council for its consideration.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 52.]
The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of the Committee on Christian Education presented:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Christian Education organized by electing Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, Chairman, and Professor Ogden of Central New York, Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Stowell of the Committee on Memorials on Deceased Members reported that the Committee would meet on Friday and called attention to the fact that the Committee had not yet heard from some of the dioceses.

Mr. Zabriskie of New York presented the following Report of the Committee appointed by the General Convention of 1925 to consider whether any change is desirable in the method of electing the Presiding Bishop of the Church, which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution:

The Committee appointed by the General Convention of 1925 to consider whether any change is desirable in the method of electing the Presiding Bishop of the Church report:

They have held two meetings and appointed the Bishop of Vermont their chairman and Mr. George Zabriskie their secretary.

They have considered the subject referred to them, and they find and report that it is desirable a change be made in the method of electing the Presiding Bishop of the Church.

To that end they recommend, (a) that Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution be amended by striking out from paragraph second all that follows the word "shall" in the seventh line thereof and inserting these words instead thereof:

"Unless a meeting of the General Convention is to be held within six months, without delay call a meeting of the House of Bishops to assemble within two months to elect a Presiding Bishop of the Church, who shall serve until the next General Convention, when a Presiding Bishop shall be elected according to the method hereinbefore provided."

(b) They further recommend that in Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution the second sentence thereof be struck out, and the period at the end of the first sentence be changed to a comma, and these words be inserted "who shall be a Bishop having jurisdiction within the United States, and shall be chosen by the concurrent vote of a majority of all the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops and a majority of all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts entitled to vote in the House of Deputies."

(c) They recommend that Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution be amended so that the third sentence thereof shall read as follows: "His term and tenure of office and duties, and particulars of his election not inconsistent with the preceding provisions, may be prescribed by the Canons of the General Convention."

Should the Constitution be amended in accordance with these recommendations your Committee further recommend that thereafter it be provided by Canon in substance that when a Presiding Bishop is to be elected the House of Bishops appoint six Bishops, and the House of Deputies appoint three presbyters and three laymen members of the House, who shall nominate to the two Houses three Bishops whom they
shall propose as suitable to be elected Presiding Bishop, without prejudice however to other nominations.

Your Committee further report that four of their number favor the recommendations of this report, and three of their number are opposed to them, and that two of their number took no part.

GEORGE ZABRISKIE, Secretary.

Mr. Barber of Chicago presented a Memorial from the Brotherhood of St. Andrew regarding their profound conviction that Evangelism is the supreme mission of the Church, and the most urgent need of the present time. The Memorial was referred to the Commission on Evangelism.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 52. Eighth day of Session, October 18, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Message No. 42, from the House of Bishops proposing amendment to Article II., Sec. 4, of the Constitution be recalled.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 49.]

MESSAGE No. 43. Seventh day of Session, October 17, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Army and Navy Commission be continued with power to fill vacancies.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 46.]

MESSAGE No. 44. Seventh day of Session, October 17, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 25, appointing a Committee to consult and advise with the Board of Church Finance in the preparation of the Parochial Report and Syllabus, and present its findings to this Convention, and this House has appointed as members on its part the Bishop of Massachusetts and the Bishop of Los Angeles.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 48. Seventh day of Session, October 17, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 30, commending the effort to restore “Wakefield.”

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
MESSAGE No. 46. Seventh day of Session, October 17, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on the Ministry be requested to confer with the Bishops, the Deans of the Theological Seminaries and the National Council to devise, if possible, a working plan for a selective draft of newly ordained men for the Domestic and Foreign Missionary field.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 47.]

MESSAGE No. 47. Seventh day of Session, October 17, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 28, amending Canon 51 by adding at the end a new Section X.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 49. Seventh day of Session, October 17, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That it be recommended that an appropriation of the sum of $5,000.00 a year for the triennium be made toward the expenses of the Federal Council, the recommendation to be referred to the Budget Committee.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

MESSAGE No. 50. Seventh day of Session, October 17, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee on Evangelism and the Committee on Eastern Churches of the Federal Council of Churches be added to those with which the National Council shall co-operate.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

MESSAGE No. 51. Seventh day of Session, October 17, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That

WHEREAS, The Second Sunday in November, designated by General Convention as Annual Sailors' Day, on which day the Seamen's Church Institute of America by its annual message to the Clergy of the Church asks that the work of the Church among seamen being carried on by
the Seamen’s Church Institute of America be presented to their people, conflicts with Building Fund Sunday, on which day the American Church Building Fund makes its annual appeal to our people for financial support, and

WHEREAS, The Second Sunday in November has come to be known throughout the United States as Armistice Sunday, and is observed in many of our Parishes for the purpose of promulgating the spirit of peace among nations, and

WHEREAS, In some sections of our country the second Sunday in November has come to be known as Red Cross Sunday, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the date of Annual Sailors’ Day be changed from the second Sunday in November to the fourth Sunday in October and the fourth Sunday in October be designated as Annual Sailors’ Day.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 48.]

The Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, In this Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, the Revision of the Prayer Book, begun fifteen years ago will be completed, and the completion of this work, which has occupied the attention of the whole Church for so long a period is the result of the labors of members of this Church eminent in theology and liturgics, and is an epoch making event in its history:

I. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That upon the completion of Prayer Book Revision by the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, a suitable Service of Thanksgiving and Praise be arranged by the President of this House in consultation with the President of the House of Bishops which the members of both Houses shall attend, so that there may be public recognition of this happy conclusion of a difficult and important work.

II. And further Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Deputies be given to the able and courteous Clergymen, members of the Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book, who have had the difficult task of presenting the recommendations of the Commission to this House during the long period of Revision, notably the Right Reverend Edward L. Parsons, D.D., Bishop of California, the Right Reverend Charles L. Slattery, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts, the Reverend John W. Suter, D.D., and the Reverend Howard B. St. George, D.D., and that a Committee of five members of this House be appointed by the President to draw up suitable resolutions to be presented to this House for adoption expressing appreciation of the admirable spirit, the long patience and the broadmindedness in which these gentlemen have done this work, and that these resolutions be engrossed and presented to them.

[First resolution communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 50.]

To carry out the second resolution the President appointed:

Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York, Rev. Dr. Lewis of Connecticut, Rev. Dr. Brown of Maryland, Mr. Page of Virginia and Mr. Henry of Iowa.
Mr. Page of Virginia presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the thanks of the General Convention be tendered the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer on the accomplishment of their great work, and that we "earnestly beseech Almighty God to accompany with His blessing every endeavor for promulgating this book to mankind in the clearest, plainest, most affecting and majestic manner, for the sake of Jesus Christ our blessed Lord and Saviour."

[Communicated to the House of Bishops also by Message No. 50.]

Mr. Anderson of Georgia presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters and four Laymen be appointed to nominate members of the National Council whose term expires at this Convention.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:


[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 73.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

Message No. 39.  Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the matter of a permanent location of the headquarters of the National Council be referred to a Commission of five Bishops, five Presbyters and five Laymen who shall grant hearings upon the subject and shall consider all questions having a bearing upon this subject and that if possible they shall report to this Convention and that no final action on permanent headquarters shall be taken until the report of said Commission is made to General Convention, and the House of Bishops appoints as members of such Commission the Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Pennsylvania, the Bishop of Massachusetts and the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message, and the President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Mr. McGann of Western Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Kamber of Pittsburgh, the Rev. Dr. Byrer of Southern Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Davidson of Los Angeles, the Rev. Mr. Way of Fond du Lac, and
Messrs. Randall of Maryland, Crocker of California, Gardiner of Maine, Whaley of South Carolina and Butler of Texas.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 63.]

Noonday prayers were said for Missions.

Mr. Schapiro, representing the Hebrew work in this country, was presented and addressed the House.

The Rev. Dr. Brown of Maryland presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, We thank Mr. Schapiro for his address and we commend his work to the loyal support of the members of the Church.

The Rev. Mr. Darlington of the American Bible Society was called upon to address the House, and Message No. 35 of the House of Bishops was taken from the Calendar, and the House concurred therein.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 53.]

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program:

Resolved, That we recommend to the Committee on the Budget that $5,000 be appropriated to forward the work of the American Bible Society.

The Rev. Dr. Davidson of Los Angeles presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Commission on Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the editing committee of the Commission on the Revision of the Book of Common Prayer be instructed to affix as an appendix to the Prayer Book of 1928 the prayers of societies and organizations affiliated with the Church.

E.g. The Woman's Auxiliary
The Girls' Friendly Society
The Daughters of the King
The Brotherhood of St. Andrew
The Guild of St. Vincent
The Young People's Fellowship.
Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses

and such others, as in their good judgment, they may deem best.

The same gentleman presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, That the Chairman be and is hereby instructed to appoint a Committee on Evangelism. The purpose of this Committee is to concern itself in the evangelistic mission of the Church and to report to this House from time to time the progress that is being made in this important department of religious work.
The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee of three—one Bishop, one Presbyter and one Layman—be appointed to arrange a program for the Joint Session on Monday, October 22nd, and that there be appointed from this House the Rev. Mr. Hobson of Western Massachusetts and Mr. Zabriskie of New York as members of such Committee.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 58.]

When the House reconvened the President appointed Mr. Sills of Maine on the Committee on Canons in place of Governor Manning of Upper South Carolina who has gone home.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this House now go into Executive Session to receive the Report of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

Mr. Shepherd presented the report of the committee, and the resolution attached thereto was unanimously adopted:

REPORT No. 2. The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops to which was referred testimonials as to the election of the Rev. Albert Sidney Thomas of the Diocese of South Carolina to be Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina, respectfully reports:

That it has examined the Testimonials and found them canonically correct and further after due enquiry and with a serious sense of responsibility the Committee recommends the adoption of the resolution following:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the consecration of the Rev. Albert Sidney Thomas to be Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina.

R. Bowden Shepherd, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 51.]

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business moved that the Executive Session be closed, and the House went into open session and took up the regular order of business.

Mr. Pepper of Pennsylvania presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program:

Resolved, That so much of the Report of the Board of Church Finance as deals with the definition of Current Expenses be referred without other action to the Joint Committee on Budget and Finance.

Mr. Browne of Washington presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen be appointed for the
purpose of inquiring into the status of King Theological Hall which was
instituted as the result of the action of the General Convention in 1886
and to report to the National Council what action, if any, should be
taken to secure the resumption of the work of said Hall in the educa-
ting of students for the Ministry; and be it further

Resolved, That the National Council shall have power to put into
effect the recommendations of the Joint Commission with such additions
or modifications as may appear fit.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this
House:

The Rev. Dr. Patton of Virginia, the Rev. Mr. Gravatt of South-
western Virginia, and Messrs. Browne of Washington and Franklin of
New York.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 54.]

The Rev. Dr. Powell of the Committee on Amendments to the
Constitution, presented Report No. 4 which, with amendments
made thereto by Mr. Parker of Massachusetts, was adopted
unanimously:

REPORT No.4. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to
which was referred the Report of the Committee of the General Con-
vention of 1925 relative to the election of the Presiding Bishop, beg
leave to report that they approve of the report and recommend the pro-
posed action.

The Committee appointed by the General Convention of 1925 to con-
sider whether any change is desirable in the method of electing the
Presiding Bishop of the Church report:

They have held two meetings and appointed the Bishop of Vermont
their chairman and Mr. Zabriskie their secretary.

They have considered the subject referred to them, and they find
the report that it is desirable that a change be made in the method of
electing the Presiding Bishop of the Church.

To that end they recommend

(a) That Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution be amended by
striking out from paragraph second all that follows the word "shall"
in the seventh line thereof, and inserting these words instead thereof:
"unless a meeting of the General Convention is to be held within six
months, without delay call a meeting of the House of Bishops to
assemble within two months to elect a Presiding Bishop of the Church,
who shall serve until the next General Convention, when a Presiding
Bishop shall be elected according to the method hereinbefore provided."

(b) They further recommend that in Article I., Section 3, of the Con-
stitution, the second sentence thereof be struck out, and the period at
the end of the first sentence be changed to a comma, and these words be
inserted "who shall be a Bishop having jurisdiction within the United
States, and shall be chosen by the concurrent vote of a majority of all
the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops and a majority of
the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses and Missionary Dis-
tricts entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, voting by
Orders according to Section 4 of Article I. of this Constitution.

(c) They recommend that Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution
be amended so that the third sentence thereof shall read as follows:
"His term and tenure of office and duties, and particulars of his election not inconsistent with the preceding provisions, shall be prescribed by the Canons of the General Convention."

Should the Constitution be amended in accordance with these recommendations, your Committee further recommend that thereafter it be provided by Canon in substance that when a Presiding Bishop is to be elected, the House of Bishops appoint six Bishops, and the House of Deputies appoint three Presbyters and three Laymen members of the House, who shall nominate to the two Houses three Bishops whom they shall propose as suitable to be elected Presiding Bishop, without prejudice however, to other nominations.

Your Committee further report that four of their members favor the recommendations of this report, and three of their number are opposed to them, and that two of their number took no part.

17 October, 1928.

GEORGE ZABRISKIE, Secretary.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 64.]

Mr. Overson of North Dakota presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Commission to Study the Whole Problem of Divorce:

WHEREAS, In most of the States of this Union there are no adequate laws regulating the marriage of those who by reason of physical or mental disease are unfit for the marital relations; and

WHEREAS, There is a close relation between divorce and our ill-advised and variously administered marriage laws, and

WHEREAS, Much attention has been given to defects in our divorce laws and very little attention given to laws regulating marriage, and

WHEREAS, The marriage of physically or mentally defective persons frequently results in the birth of children mentally or physically defective, tending to the increase of suffering, misery and crime, much of which would be prevented if the marriage of such persons were not allowed by law; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Church urges upon Federal and State authorities the enactment of laws for the regulation of the marriage of those who are physically or mentally defective and urges upon its clergy and laity their co-operation in securing the enforcement of adequate laws regulating the marriage of such defective; and be it further

Resolved, That each member of the House of Deputies and each Bishop of this Church be requested to communicate with the Governor of his respective State having no adequate laws on this subject and to the members of State Legislatures of the States in which they live suggesting to such officials the desirability of the passage of such laws.

Mr. Zabriskie of New York presented the following resolution, which was laid on the table:

WHEREAS, In some of the churches of the United States, attempts are being made to establish righteousness and social justice in American industry and politics, not by voluntary and individual action between freeman and freeman, but by pressure of the Church upon the State; and

WHEREAS, Such attempts not only ignore constitutional liberty and economic experience, but must and do split such churches into conflict-
ing factions, absolutely and conscientiously divided in their convictions as to what is politically and socially just and right, inevitably weakening their own spiritual influence within and without their own communions; and

WHEREAS, In the words and acts of Christ and His apostles we find no warrant for political activities of any kind in the Church, and moreover the Constitution and tradition of the United States and its people have, from the first, wisely divorced religion from politics; now, therefore

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That it is the sense of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church that the accepted principle of the separation of Church and State should be maintained and that this Church, while creating and upholding the highest moral standards through its clergy and laity, should not enter into the political arena to promote by legislative actions, specific economic or partisan measures.

The Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, That the Rules of Order be amended so as to provide for the appointment of an additional assistant secretary of the House, whose duty shall be to act as reading clerk when and as directed by the Secretary of the House.

Mr. Houston of Pennsylvania presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer:

Add to second Rubric Prayer Book page 240 (3rd Rubric "Proposed Revision, dated 1923") so that it shall read:

"And if any of the consecrated Bread and Wine remain after the Communion, it shall not be carried out of the Church; but the Minister and other Communicants shall, immediately after the Blessing reverently eat and drink the same. Provided that the Minister may reverently pour the Consecrated Wine into the earth through a suitable channel arranged for that purpose."

Mr. Browne of Washington presented the following resolution and report on the Bishop Payne Divinity School which was made by a Committee of twelve appointed by the Presiding Bishop, and the resolution contained therein was adopted:

Subject: Bishop Payne Divinity School.

The following resolution and report on the Bishop Payne Divinity School was made by a committee of twelve appointed by the Presiding Bishop.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen be appointed to represent the General Convention in conferring with Committees of the American Church Institute for Negroes and the Trustees of the Bishop Payne Divinity School and St. Augustine's College as to the future of this school for the training of negro candidates for the Holy Ministry.
This resolution is presented at the request of a committee of twelve appointed by the Presiding Bishop as President of the American Church Institute for Negroes, and for the following reasons:

1. While located in the Diocese of Southern Virginia it is the only existing seminary of the Church dedicated to the training of negroes for ministry to their people, and as such has a claim upon the whole Church.

2. The inadequacy and partial dilapidation of the present buildings and equipment, together with the development of unfavorable social and moral conditions in the immediate vicinity of the school have raised questions and produced problems for which the American Church Institute and the Trustees of the school have together earnestly and prayerfully sought some solution.

3. The suggestion has been made that a removal to the neighborhood or perhaps to the (actual) grounds of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina, together with a wider distribution of the membership of the Board of Trustees might furnish a solution of these problems.

It is to secure recognition of the importance of this work and the co-operation and counsel of General Convention that the appointment of this Committee is sought.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Covington of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia, and Messrs. Wood of New York and Page of Virginia.

Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a Sergeant at Arms be appointed whose duty it shall be to see that this room is properly ventilated.

The Rev. Dr. Kammerer of Pittsburgh presented the Report of the Joint Commission to Study the Whole Problem of Divorce, and called for the reading of Message No. 41 of the House of Bishops which had been placed on the Calendar. The House concurred in Message No. 41 of the House of Bishops.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 59.]
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 53.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 37, expressing grateful appreciation to the generous member of this Church, who is defraying the expense of the publication of the Standard Book.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

**MESSAGE No. 54.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the 24th Sunday after Trinity, November 18, 1928, be designated as "Porto Rico-South Florida Re-building Day," and that parochial authorities be requested to take an offering on that day for the purpose of raising the money necessary to the rebuilding of the Church's work in the areas aforesaid, said offering to be sent to the Treasurer of the National Council for proportionate distribution between Porto Rico and South Florida; and that the National Council be requested to give this appeal the necessary publicity.

Be it further Resolved, That all funds received as a result of this offering over and above the amounts required by Porto Rico and South Florida be kept as an Emergency Relief Fund by the Treasurer of the National Council to be disbursed at the discretion of the Council.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

**MESSAGE No. 56.**

The House concurred in the foregoing Message with amendments, so that the resolution reads as follows:

Resolved, That on the 24th Sunday after Trinity, November 18, 1928, all parochial authorities be requested to take an offering on that day for the purpose of raising the money necessary to the rebuilding of the Church's work in Porto Rico and South Florida, said offering to be sent to the Treasurer of the National Council for proportionate distribution between Porto Rico and South Florida; and that the National Council be requested to give this appeal the necessary publicity.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 60.]

**MESSAGE No. 53.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Evangelism be authorized to select and appoint a group of seventy clergy who shall be known as Associate Missioners and who shall be available for preaching missions as called upon and that such Associate Missioners shall on accepting the appointment agree to give not less than two weeks, Sundays included, to the service of the Church in this capacity.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 61.]
MESSAGE No. 59.  

Eighth day of Session,  
October 18, 1928.  

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con­curred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 39, constituting the Standing Committee on the General Theological Seminary, of the House of Deputies, with that of the House of Bishops, as a Joint Commission to sit during the interim of the meetings of the General Convention.  

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.  

No. 13 being taken from the Calendar, the Rev. Dr. Dudley withdrew the resolution of thanks to the officers and members of the D. A. R., which he had presented.  

No. 23 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 2 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution on the proposal of the Rev. Dr. Hart to amend Article I., Section 4, of the Constitution, the Rev. Dr. Hart offered as a substitute for the Report of the Committee his original resolution, which was lost, and the resolution attached to the Report was adopted.  

The Rev. Dr. Walkley of Newark presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:  

Resolved, That the House by a rising vote recognize with grateful appreciation the beautiful spirit and gracious manner in which Dr. J. W. Suter has presented the findings of the Commission on Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer.  

Mr. Gardiner presented Report No. 1 of the Joint Committee on Place of Meeting of the Next General Convention:  

REPORT No. 1. The Joint Committee on the Place of Meeting of the Next General Convention has organized by the election of the Bishop of Sacramento as Chairman, Mr. Gardiner of Maine as Secretary.  

R. H. GARDINER, Secretary.  

The House stood adjourned.  

NINTH DAY  
CONTINENTAL HALL, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1928.  

The House met pursuant to adjournment. In the absence of the President, the Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago called the House to order. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the eighth day were read and approved.  

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:  

The President announced the appointment of the following:
Mr. Stephen Baker in place of Mr. Theopold on the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Special Order of Business for today immediately after the head of Petitions and Memorials and continuing until disposed of shall be as follows:
1. Report of Joint Commissions and Joint Committees.
2. Motions and resolutions.
3. Message No. 61 from the House of Bishops as to the Thirty-nine Articles.
4. Report on Bishop Payne Divinity School and Report on King Hall Fund. Ten minutes time to be allowed to each.
5. Address on behalf of Church Actors Guild. Ten minutes time to be allowed.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 5. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that the Rev. Donald G. Smith of the Diocese of Duluth, appointed by the Bishop of that Diocese as a Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of the Rev. Austin Pardue, who is unable to serve any longer, and that the Rev. J. L. Craig of the Diocese of Montana, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of the Rev. Dr. Hoover, who is unable to serve any longer.

MARTIN AGNEB, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented Report No. 9. [Will be found in the Minutes on the Prayer Book.]

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented Report No. 10, which was placed on the Calendar.

REPORT No. 10. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a Report of the Committee considering the Report of the Commission on Provinces, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 54, Section VIII., be amended to read as follows:

"The Provincial synod shall have power: (1) to enact Ordinances for its own regulation and government; (2) to elect judges of the Provincial Court of Reviews; (3) to perform such duties as may be committed to it by General Convention; (4) to deal with all matters within the Province; Provided, however, that no Provincial Synod shall have power to regulate or control the internal policy or affairs of any constituent Diocese or Missionary District; and Provided, further, that all actions and proceedings of the Synod shall be subject to and in conformity with the provision of the Constitution and the Canons for the government of this Church; (5) to adopt a budget for the maintenance
of any Provincial work undertaken by the Synod, such budget to be raised in such manner as the Synods may determine; (6) to create by Ordinance a Provincial Council with power to administer and carry on such work as may be committed to it by the General Convention, or by the Presiding Bishop and the National Council, or by the Synod of the Province."

Amend Canon 54 by adding a new section to be numbered IX. to read as follows:

"The Synod of a Province may take over from the National Council, with its consent, and during its pleasure, the administration of any given work within the Province. If the Province shall decide to provide the funds for such work, the constituent Dioceses and Missionary Districts shall receive proportional credit therefor upon the quotas assigned to them for the support of the program of the Church, provided that the total amount of such credits shall not exceed the sum appropriated in the budget of the National Council for the maintenance of the work so taken over.

Renumber Section IX. to read Section X.

Amend Canon 61, Section VIII., Clause [i.] to read as follows:

"[i.] The Council shall submit to the General Convention at each regular session thereof a program of its proposed activities for the triennium, including a detailed budget of that part of the program for which it proposes to make appropriation for the ensuing year, and estimated budgets for the two succeeding years. In connection with the preparation of such budget the National Council shall, at least fifteen months before the session of the General Convention, transmit to the President of each Province a statement of its existing appropriations for the Diocese and Missionary Districts within such Province, showing the items for which such appropriations are expended, for the purpose of obtaining the advice of the Province, as to changes therein. The Synod, or Council, of each Province shall thereupon, in such manner as the Synod shall determine, consider such budget and report its findings to the National Council for its information. The National Council shall also submit to the General Convention with the budget a plan for the apportionment to the respective Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the sum needed to execute the program.

"[ii.] There shall be joint sessions of the two Houses for the presentation of such program; and thereafter consideration shall be given and appropriate action taken thereon by the General Convention. The National Council shall have the power to expend all sums of money covered by the budget and estimated budgets approved by the Convention. It shall also have power to undertake such other work provided for in the program approved by General Convention, or other work under the jurisdiction of the National Council, the need for which may have arisen after the action of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the National Council, its income will warrant.

Renumber Clause [ii.] to be Clause [iii.] 
Renumber Clause [iii.] to be Clause [iv.]"
Amend Canon 14, Section II., by inserting after clause [i.] a new clause to be numbered [ii.]

[ii.] “When a vacancy shall occur in the Episcopate in any Missionary District within a Province, the President of the Province may convene the Synod of the Province prior to the meeting of the House of Bishops of the Church at which a Missionary Bishop for such Missionary District is to be elected. The Synod of the Province may thereupon nominate one person to the House of Bishops of the Church for that office. It shall be the duty of the President of the Province to transmit such nomination if any be made to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops who shall present the nomination to the House before it proceeds to an election. Each Province containing a Missionary District shall, by ordinance, provide the manner of convening the Synod and making such nomination. The foregoing provision for nomination by the Synod of the Province shall not apply in the case of the election of Missionary Bishops for Districts in Alaska, the Canal Zone, or in any other region outside the continental boundaries of the United States, notwithstanding such Districts may be included in Provinces.”

Your Committee asks that it be discharged from consideration of the further amendments proposed in the report presented.

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

Judge Henry of the Committee on Rules of Order presented Report No. 1, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 1. The Committee on Rules of Order to whom was referred the resolution of Dr. Chorley asking that the Rules of Order be amended so as to provide for the appointment of an additional Assistant Secretary of this House respectfully report that the Secretary has power under Canon 51, Section I. [iii.], to appoint Assistant Secretaries, with the approval of the House, and there is no rule of order upon the subject. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

George F. Henry, Chairman.

The same gentleman presented Report No. 2 of the same committee, which was placed on the Calendar:

Report No. 2. The Committee on Rules of Order to whom was referred the resolution of Dr. Davidson asking that the President be instructed to appoint a Committee on Evangelism respectfully report that there is now a National Commission on Evangelism. They therefore recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

George F. Henry, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Diller presented Report No. 5 of the Committee on the State of the Church, which was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Report No. 5. In view of the fact that the Committee on the State of the Church is little more than a clearing house for miscellaneous resolutions and that any report it may make is only a mosaic of in-
dividual opinions in regard to various phases of the Church's work, therefore be it
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission on the State of the Church be appointed to take the place of this Committee.

HOWARD W. DILLER, Chairman.

Mr. Goodwin presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Rural Work, and the recommendation contained therein was adopted:

REPORT No. 2. The Committee on Rural Work to which was referred Message No. 40, of the House of Bishops, proposing the appointment of a Joint Commission on Rural Work, beg leave to report that we recommend that this House concur in the Resolution of the House of Bishops contained in this Message.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Mr. Goodwin of Virginia, the Rev. Mr. Sessions of Mississippi, the Rev. Mr. Engle of Texas, the Rev. Mr. Allison of Western New York, the Rev. Mr. Bulkley of Utah, and Messrs. Galpin of Washington, Colbert of Fund du Lac, Blair of Alabama, Vincent of Oregon and Taliaferro of Wyoming.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 74.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented:

REPORT No. 3. The Committee further reports that it has considered the other matters referred to it, namely:

The Memorial of the Conference of the Western Slope of Colorado and the resolutions on Rural Work introduced by Rev. Dr. A. B. Kinsolving; and recommends that, since the purpose of this Memorial and of these Resolutions is effected in the establishment of the Joint Commission on Rural Work, no action be taken on the Memorial, or the resolutions, and that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania presented the Report of the Committee to prepare a Testimonial to Mr. W. W. Skiddy, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted by a rising vote.

A TESTIMONIAL

MR. WILLIAM W. SKIDDY, for thirty years has loyally and ably served the Church as Treasurer of the General Convention. The task has not been easy, and the responsibility has demanded both wisdom and patience. The confidence and friendship of thousands who have been members of the series of Conventions through the past thirty years give gracious testimony to the fidelity and character of this man who has made the financial part of the work of the General Convention a worthy service in the Master's name. We cannot forget how the ways and means of this body have found in Mr. Skiddy a wise administrator, placing the finances upon a firm and business-like basis, and thus leading its constituent members to realize the sacredness of the trusts committed to their keeping and lifting expenditures of money to the high level of
spiritual service. The man has graced the office, and the office has proved the high ideals of him who has filled it so adequately.

We thank Mr. Skiddy with all our hearts, and we pray that yet many years of health and service may be his.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this brief testimonial be engrossed, signed by the Presiding Bishop and by the President of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, and presented to Mr. Skiddy as a slight token of the gratitude and appreciation of the General Convention, representing the whole Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Edward Campion Acheson, Bishop of Connecticut
Floyd W. Tomkins
John W. Sykes
Burton Mansfield
Z. D. Harrison

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 65.]

In seconding the resolution attached to the above Testimonial, Dr. Mansfield of Connecticut said that the Connecticut delegation desired the privilege of paying for the engrossing of the Testimonial. Mr. Skiddy responded with an appropriate address.

The Rev. Mr. Mott of Western Massachusetts presented the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar.

Resolved, That this House request the National Council to take under consideration the advisability of discontinuing the Foreign Born Americans Division of the Department of Missions, leaving this work to be cared for by the several Dioceses, and setting free a considerable sum for other necessary work.

The same gentleman presented the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, That this House request the National Council to take into consideration the advisability of discontinuing the Department of Social Service, and putting the responsibility of carrying on this work upon the several Dioceses.

The Rev. Mr. Jenkins of Oregon presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer:

Inasmuch as there is a widely felt need of a more compactly printed form of the Communion Office for use with the sick and infirm—one that may be easily followed by the sick and infirm and those assisting at the Celebration; therefore be it

Resolved, That the House of Deputies requests the Commission on Revision and Enrichment of the Prayer Book to print in sequence in the new Prayer Book whatever is to be required as necessary for the Celebration and Administration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Communion of the Sick.

The Rev. Mr. Lee of Anking presented the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

WHEREAS, The present discrimination in our Immigration and Naturalization Laws are a hindrance to the progress of Christian Missions
and a barrier to good-will between ourselves and other nations, therefore
be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in the judgment of
this General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church our Immi-
gration and Naturalization Laws should be so modified that they may be
applied without discrimination to the Nationals of all countries and to
all aliens now resident in the United States or later to be admitted to
such residence.

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania presented the follow-
ing resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 61, Section 5,
Clause 1, line 2, the word “religious” be changed to “Christian,” so that
it will read: “Second: a Department of Christian Education.”

The Rev. Mr. Broadhurst of Erie presented the following pre-
ambles and resolution, which were laid on the table:

WHEREAS, The State of California is this 19th day of October going
to execute by hanging, an unspeakable criminal, and the revolting de-
tails of such execution have prominent press notice all over the land;
and

WHEREAS, Capital punishment belongs to an age when adequate means
for the segregation of criminals from the social order were not pro-
vided, therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention go
on record as opposing capital punishment as a relic of barbarism, and
not worthy of practice in this enlightened age.

The following Message was received from the House of
Bishops:

Message No. 61, House of Bishops, Prayer Book Revision.

The Rev. Dr. Suter presented the report of the special com-
mittee consisting of the Rev. Dr. Suter of Massachusetts, Mr.
Morehouse of Milwaukee and Mr. Spargo of Vermont, to con-
sider the matter of copyrights of the Book of Common Prayer,
and the resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the copy rights
heretofore taken out by the Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer
on behalf of this Church of certain portions of the revision of the
Book of Common Prayer are hereby relinquished and released to the
public, and subject to the provisions of Canon 46, the general publica-
tion of copies of the Standard Book as adopted by the General Conven-
tion of 1928 is hereby authorized.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 70.]

At this time, Mr. Ferguson of the Episcopal Actors’ Guild
addressed the House.

Noonday prayers were said.
The Rev. Dr. Osgood of Minnesota presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, having heard of the work of the Episcopal Actors' Guild, hereby approve the vote of the National Council recognizing the standing of the Episcopal Actors' Guild as an agency of our Church's ministry and commends the said Guild to the good-will of our Church clergy and people.

Nos. 1, 25 and 26 being taken from the Calendar, the Rev. Dr. Aigner presented Calendar No. 1, the Report of the Committee to which is referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces and all other matters pertaining thereto, and at the same time Report No. 10 of the Committee on Canons and Report No. 3 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution were considered, and the resolutions attached to these reports were adopted, also the following resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Aigner:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the sections and clauses of the Canons thus amended be renumbered in accordance with their numerical order.

Report No. 10 of the Committee on Canons and the Rev. Dr. Aigner's resolution communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 69.

Report No. 3 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 71.

On Canon 54, Section VIII., a division was called for, and the vote stood 208 in favor and 127 against. The President declared the amendment to Canon 54, Section VIII., adopted.

Mr. Parker of Massachusetts asked the privilege of recalling the Memorial in reference to the Service Book presented by the Diocese of Massachusetts, and which had been referred to the Commission on Church Music, requesting that same be placed on the Calendar.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 68. Eighth day of Session, October 18, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolutions:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the consideration of that section of the Report of the Joint Commission on Revision of Judicial procedure dealing with a final Court of Appeal be postponed until the next General Convention.
Resolved, That the Joint Commission be continued and requested to make public its report at least a year before the meeting of the next General Convention.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

No. 24 being taken from the Calendar, Message No. 50 from the House of Bishops on the Federal Council of Churches, the House concurred in the Message but soon after reconsidered.

No. 28 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Mott regarding the Foreign Born Division of the Department of Missions was lost.

No. 29 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Mott regarding the Social Service Department was laid on the table.

No. 30 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Lee on our Naturalization Laws was laid on the table.

No. 31 being taken from the Calendar, the Memorial from the Diocese of Massachusetts on the Service Book, the resolution contained therein was adopted with amendments.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 72.]

Mr. Dibble of Western Michigan asked reconsideration of the action taken on House of Bishops Message No. 50, Federal Council of Churches, being Calendar 24, and the same was reconsidered. The Rev. Dr. Tyler of Western New York asked for a division of the question. The vote was then taken on Evangelism. The Lay Delegation of the Diocese of Western Michigan requested a vote by orders. The vote stood as follows:

Clerical
Aye—39¼ No—25¼ Divided—10

Lay
Aye—38¾ No—16¾ Divided—10

On co-operation with the Committee on Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches, the President declared that the House concurred in that part of the Message. On co-operation with the Committee on Eastern Churches of the Federal Council of Churches, a division was called, and the vote stood 157 in favor and 209 against, and the President declared that the House did not concur in that part of the Message of the House of Bishops.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 77.]
At this point, the Secretary received from the House of Bishops the certificates of election of four Bishops for a like number of Missionary Districts, which were referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

To the Presiding Officer of the House of Deputies

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED

THAT, The House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in General Convention assembled in the city of Washington, and in the District of Columbia, did, on the 19th day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, in conformity with Canon 14, Section II. [i.], make choice of the Reverend William Matthews Merrick Thomas to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Southern Brazil.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Bishop Presiding.
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary of the House of Bishops.

To the Presiding Officer of the House of Deputies

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED

THAT, The House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in General Convention assembled in the city of Washington, and in the District of Columbia, did, on the 19th day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, in conformity with Canon 14, Section II. [i.], make choice of the Reverend Norman S. Binsted to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Tohoku.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Bishop Presiding.
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary of the House of Bishops.

To the Presiding Officer of the House of Deputies

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED

THAT, The House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in General Convention assembled in the city of Washington, and in the District of Columbia, did, on the 19th day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, in conformity with Canon 14, Section II. [i.], make choice of the Reverend George Herbert Thomas to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Wyoming.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Bishop Presiding.
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary of the House of Bishops.

To the Presiding Officer of the House of Deputies

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED

THAT, The House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in General Convention assembled in the city of Washington, and in the District of Columbia, did, on the 19th day of October in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, in conformity with Canon 14, Section II. [i.], make choice of the Reverend Frederick Deane Goodwin to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Nevada.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Bishop Presiding.
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary of the House of Bishops.
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 65.**

**Eighth day of Session,**
**October 18, 1928.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that the Bishops appointed under message 36a were the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of California and the Bishop of Newark, and not the Bishops therein named.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

**MESSAGE No. 69.**

**Ninth day of Session,**
**October 19, 1928.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 42, that a special Joint Session of the two Houses be held on Monday, October 22nd, with the following amendment—strike out the words "from ten to one P.M. and" so that it shall read:

A special Joint Session of the two Houses be held on Monday, October 22nd, from 2:30 to 5 P.M.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 78.]

**MESSAGE No. 70.**

**Ninth day of Session,**
**October 19, 1928.**

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 58, that a Committee of one Bishop, one Presbyter and one Layman be appointed to arrange a program for the Joint Session on Monday, October 22nd, and this House appoints as member of such Committee on its part the Bishop of Washington.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The President announced the appointment of the following members of the Army and Navy Commission:

Rev. H. Percy Silver, D.D.
Rev. Henry B. Washburn, D.D.
Rev. W. Cosby Bell, D.D.
Rev. Edward S. Travers, D.D.
Rev. Otis E. Gray
Lt. Col. Clayton E. Wheat, U. S. A.
Mr. Arthur E. Newbold, Jr.
Major General Wm. C. Rivers, U. S. A.
Major General John J. Lejeune, U. S. A.
Major General Charles P. Summerall, U. S. A.

The House stood adjourned.

**TENTH DAY**

**CONTINENTAL HALL, SATURDAY, October 20, 1928.**

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said.
Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Executive Session called for this morning at ten o'clock be postponed until the same time Monday morning as the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops is not ready to make its report.

The Minutes of the ninth day were read and approved.

The following gentlemen, not before present, appeared and took their seats:
- Mr. Chas. J. Smith of Erie and Mr. Forbes Snowdon of Milwaukee.
- Mr. Max Royhl of South Dakota and Mr. Monell Sayre of the American Churches in Europe returned to their seats.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Order of Business for today following the head of Petitions and Memorials shall be as follows:
1. Messages from the House of Bishops and resolutions from the Joint Commission relating to the Prayer Book or to the Fifth Report of the Commission.
2. Item 27 on the Calendar: Report of Committee on Rules of Order.
5. Motions and resolutions.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

Report No. 6. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Mr. Forbes Snowdon of the Diocese of Milwaukee, elected as a Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. James K. Edsall, who is unable to serve any longer; that Mr. Max Royhl of the Missionary District of South Dakota, elected as a Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. James A. Mather, who can serve no longer; that Mr. Charles J. Smith of the Diocese of Erie, appointed by the Bishop of the Diocese with the approval of the Deputation from that Diocese, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of W. Shacklett, who has been compelled to return on account of illness; and that Mr. Monell Sayre, appointed as a Deputy to this General Convention to represent the American Churches in Europe, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. Francis C. Drake, who has been obliged to leave the Convention.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

Mr. Henry of the Committee on Rules of Order presented Report No. 3, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Report No. 3. The Committee on Rules of Order to which was referred Report No. 5 of the Committee on the State of the Church, report that they have considered such Report No. 5 and herewith return the same and move the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Report No. 5 of the Committee on the State of the Church be referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Powell of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented Report No. 6, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:
REPORT No. 6. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution has duly considered the proposal of Mr. T. S. Taliaferro, Lay Deputy from the Missionary District of Wyoming, to have a special Committee appointed to answer certain questions propounded by him. It is unnecessary to have such a special Committee appointed because the Committee is prepared to answer the questions at once.

Each of questions 2, 7, 9, 10 and 12 is answered in the affirmative.
Each of questions 3, 8 and 11 is answered in the negative.

The answers to the remaining questions are as follows:
1. The necessary majority under Section 4, Article I., of the Constitution, is that in each Order the affirmative vote should exceed the combined negative and divided votes and that the majority shall be of whole votes.
2. The words “Missionary Districts within the United States of America” are excluded in the term “Dioceses.”
3. The words “Missionary Districts within the United States of America” are not implied in construing the meaning of the term “Dioceses.”
4. Missionary Districts are not implied when using the term Dioceses either in Article I. or Article X.
5. No, as to original adoption. Yes, as to final ratification.
6. Yes, under some circumstances. For example, in proposing a change in the Book of Common Prayer, when a vote is taken by Orders in accordance with Section 4, Article I., the proposal may be adopted if the minority of Dioceses plus the fractional votes of the Districts exceeds the divided and negative votes of the majority of the Dioceses plus such support as they may have from the fractional Districts.
7. On the other hand, under Article X., a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation is required in each Order.

Your Committee therefore recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

HERBERT H. POWELL, Chairman.

Report No. 5 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution was then presented, Mr. Browne of Washington presenting the majority report, and the Rev. Dr. Powell presenting the minority report, and moving that the minority report be substituted for the majority report. Both reports were placed on the Calendar:

REPORT No. 5. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution has considered the amendment to Article X. of the Constitution proposed by Mr. T. S. Taliaferro, Lay Deputy from the Missionary District of Wyoming, so as to give Missionary Districts the right to vote on the ratification of amendments to the Book of Common Prayer and deems the same inexpedient for reasons which may thus be stated.

1. It is to be noted that there is a vital distinction between the Vote by Orders under Section 4, Article I., of the Constitution in which the Missionary Districtsjoin and the voting under Article X. and likewise under Article XI.

In a vote under Section 4, Article I., a bare majority of whole votes suffices to carry a measure, whereas under Article X. and Article XI., the affirmative vote under each Order must be a majority of all the Dioceses entitled to representation.
An extreme (although not unusual) illustration makes this distinction clear.

A quorum of the House of Deputies requires representation in each Order from a majority of the Dioceses. There are now seventy-two Dioceses and thirty-seven is a majority. Assume a bare quorum present and representatives likewise present from eight Domestic Missionary Districts then the affirmative votes of nineteen Dioceses and four Districts in each Order would suffice to carry a measure.

But, under similar circumstances, a vote of thirty-six Dioceses in the affirmative and one in the negative would not ratify an amendment to the book of Common Prayer. To ratify such an amendment the entire thirty-seven Dioceses would have to vote in the affirmative.

2. This requirement of a majority of the Dioceses in each Order to ratify an amendment to the Book of Common Prayer is important. As every Deputy of experience knows the attendance of the House of Deputies falls off rapidly during the last week of the session, so that the Deputations from many Dioceses are absent altogether.

It is, accordingly, wise that such important amendments should not be adopted by a majority of a quorum but only by a majority of all Dioceses entitled to representation.

It is for this reason that the vote by Orders under Section 4, Article I., does not apply to Article X.

3. Any mistake made by one General Convention on any matter other than amendments to the Prayer Book and the Constitution can be cured at the next General Convention. But, if any mistakes have been made by this General Convention in Prayer Book ratification it will be many years before the error can be corrected.

Accordingly, it is important that the safeguards of Article X. should be preserved.

4. There is a radical difference between a Domestic Missionary District and a Diocese. A Diocese is a permanent institution. It must have a Convention in order to elect Deputies. It was the Dioceses who created the General Convention and adopted the Prayer Book.

On the other hand, the Missionary Districts are created by the action of the House of Bishops alone. They are temporary and unstable. They can be abolished, rearranged or consolidated by the House of Bishops. There is not even any requirement in the Constitution that a Missionary District shall have a Convocation. It is entirely possible for the Deputies from a Missionary District to be appointees of the Bishop. They do not necessarily have any representative character.

5. It is the desire and intention of the Church that Domestic Missionary Districts should become Dioceses as soon as feasible. The attainment of full suffrage is an inducement to a District to become a Diocese.

6. Moreover, the particular proposal is ambiguous and inconsistent. In the first place, it leaves the latter part of Article X. unchanged, thus requiring one sort of vote for amending the Lectionary and the use of the Psalter and another sort of vote for ratifying amendments. Again, the proposal is ambiguous because, after requiring a majority of all the Dioceses and Domestic Missionary Districts entitled to representation in each Order (thus placing the Districts on exact equality with the Dioceses), it then says "as provided in Section 4, Article I., of this Constitution," which prescribes a different manner of ascertaining the result.

An Article of the Constitution dealing with such important matters as Article X. should be unmistakably clear with no room for doubt as to its meaning.
Your Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

ARTHUR S. BROWNE, Secretary.
On behalf of eight members of the Committee.
Washington, D. C.,
October 20, 1928.

The undersigned members of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, dissenting from the report of the majority of the Committee on the resolution offered by Mr. Taliaferro of Wyoming, recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that the following change be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that the same may be adopted by the next General Convention, in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution:

Amend the second and third sentences of Article X. of the Constitution to read:

"No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one Triennial meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese and of the Convocation of every Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States of America, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention or Missionary District Convocation at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding Triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies and all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States voting by Orders, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical Order and one vote in the Lay Order, and each Missionary District having a one-fourth vote in the Clerical Order, and a one-fourth vote in the Lay Order. Provided, however, that the General Convention at any meeting shall have power to amend the Table of Lessons and all Tables and Rubrics relating to the use of the psalms by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, and all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States, voting by Orders as previously laid down in this Article."

HERBERT H. POWELL,
W. J. BATTLE,
BERRYMAN GREEN,
JOSEPH H. BEALE.

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented Report No. 11, and the request was granted:

REPORT No. 11. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution submitted by Rev. Dr. Floyd W. Tomkins, of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, changing the word "religious" in Canon 61, Section V.,
Clause [i.] to "Christian," so that the sentence shall read: "Second: A Department of Christian Education," reports that it has considered the same, deems it inexpedient owing to the number of years during which the present term has been used and the change now would create confusion, and asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

W. D. Maxon, Chairman.

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 12, and the recommendation contained therein was adopted:

Report No. 12. Your Committee on Canons to which was referred Message 68 of the House of Bishops, informing the House of Deputies that it had adopted resolutions postponing that part of the Report of the Joint Commission on Revision of the Judicial Procedure dealing with the final Court of Appeals, and that the Joint Commission be continued and requested to make public its report at least a year before the meeting of the next General Convention, begs to report that, having discussed very thoroughly the Canon establishing a Court of Appeals and being heartily in favor of recommending its adoption, owing to the lateness of the session moves that the House of Deputies concur with the action of the House of Bishops as contained in its Message No. 68.

W. D. Maxon, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 79.]

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins presented Report No. 1, of the Committee on Social Service, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 1. The Committee on Social Service present the following:

Whereas, The United States government, through its Secretary of State, the Honorable Frank B. Kellogg, has signed with fourteen other nations the Kellogg-Briand Peace-Pact of far-reaching importance and which portends toward the outlawry of war, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the House of Deputies does hereby record its sincere approval of said Peace-Pact in the blessed hope that the coming of the Kingdom of God on earth will be hastened, and ultimately the Prince of Peace shall reign supreme.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 80.]

The Rev. Mr. Stowell of the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Inasmuch as it is the custom of the General Convention, in the course of its sessions, to hold a service in commemoration of its deceased members and certain data concerning them are desired; be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That at the annual Conventions or Convocations of the various Dioceses and Missionary Districts the duty of securing the following data, namely: the birth dates, the death dates, the degrees, titles, professions of the deputies together with the number of the General Conventions they have attended—be assigned either to the Secretaries or else to the Registrars of said Dioceses and Districts.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 81.]
The Rev. Mr. Gravatt presented the following Report of the Joint Committee appointed to make nominations of members of the Board of Trustees of the Church Pension Fund, which was accepted, and the Secretary was ordered to cast one ballot for those nominated, which he did, and the President declared the nominees elected:

A Report of the Joint Committee, composed of Members of the House of Bishops and House of Deputies, appointed to make nominations of members of the Board of Trustees of the Church Pension Fund.

Your Committee wishes to make the following nominations:

Rev. Dr. Cameron J. Davis of Western New York for three years, to fill an unexpired term.

The following gentlemen for the regular term of nine years:

Rt. Rev. Dr. Warren L. Rogers of Ohio
Mr. Wm. Fellowes Morgan of New York
Mr. Monell Sayre of New Jersey
Mr. Wm. H. Crocker of California
Mr. Charles A. Goodwin of Connecticut
Mr. George W. Wickersham of New York

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 82.]

The Rev. Dr. Beekman presented the following Report of the American Churches in Europe, and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

Whereas, The Joint Commission on European Churches having received the request of the Presiding Bishop again to consider the Memorial presented to the General Convention of 1925 relating to the proposed election of a resident Bishop for Europe and having before it the reports of Bishops Brent and Lawrence, as Bishops in charge of our churches in Europe during the past triennium, to whom under the action of the General Convention of 1925 was given under the Presiding Bishop the duty of testing the spheres of influence, upon which the Memorial was based, and having considered the same,

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission does hereby agree with said Bishops that the testing called for has as yet not been fully made and it also accepts for its own the recommendation of the said bishops that a full consideration of the Memorial be postponed until a Bishop to be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, under the present canon makes a more complete report of the needs and opportunities of the field; and further

Resolved, That the Joint Commission on European Churches be continued.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 83.]

No. 3 being taken from the Calendar, the Fifth Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer was presented by the Rev. Dr. Suter.
No. 27 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 2 of the Committee on Rules of Order on the Rev. Dr. Davidson's resolution that the President be instructed to appoint a Committee on Evangelism, the resolution attached to the above report was not adopted. A vote was then taken on the original resolution of the Rev. Dr. Davidson, which was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Richey presented a report of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, nominating Trustees for the Seminary. This was adopted, but later reconsidered and placed on the Calendar.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 84.]

The Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Right Reverend Edward L. Parsons, D.D., the Right Rev. Charles Lewis Slattery, D.D.; the Rev. John W. Suter, D.D., and the Rev. Howard B. St. George, D.D., have presented the recommendations of the Commission on the revision and enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer to the House of Deputies during the long period of revision with singular skill, patience and in a spirit of Christian broad-mindedness; and

WHEREAS, This great service to the whole Church is now completed,

Resolved, That the thanks of this House are hereby extended to the above-named gentlemen and that the Secretary furnish each of them with a certified copy of this preamble and resolution.

Caleb R. Stetson, Chairman,
Wyatt Brown,
John N. Lewis,
Rosewell Page,
George F. Beury.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 71. Ninth day of Session, October 19, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 40, that the Custodian of the Archives be and hereby is authorized to supply Diocesan Journals, of which he has duplicates, to dioceses, missionary districts and State Historical Societies desiring them, and to destroy those remaining for which there is no request.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 72. Ninth day of Session, October 19, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 50, arranging for a Service of Thanksgiving and Praise upon the completion of Prayer Book Revision, and thanking the
Commission on the Revision and enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer.

**Message No. 73.**

Ninth day of Session, October 19, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 52, referring the matter of printing commendation blanks to the National Council for consideration.

**Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.**

**Message No. 75.**

Ninth day of Session, October 19, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 55, appointing a Joint Committee to take order for the placing of an appropriate wreath on the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington Cemetery, and this House has appointed as member of such Committee on its part the Bishop of Western Michigan.

**Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.**

**Message No. 76.**

Ninth day of Session, October 19, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 56, appointing a Joint Committee to nominate Trustees of the Church Pension Fund, and this House appoints as members of such Joint Committee on its part the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Western Massachusetts and the Bishop Co-adjutor of Southern Virginia.

**Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.**

**Message No. 77.**

Ninth day of Session, October 19, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 57, recording the gratitude of this Convention to the Church Army in Great Britain and its Founder, Prebendary Carlile, for their valued and generous leadership in promoting this practical field of service for laymen of our Church, and also commending the Church Army in the United States.

**Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.**

**Message No. 78.**

Ninth day of Session, October 19, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 60, concurring with amendment with Message No. 54 of the House of Bishops requesting an offering on the 24th Sunday after Trinity, November 18, 1928, for the Church's work in Porto Rico and South Florida.

**Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.**

**Message No. 80.**

Ninth day of Session, October 19, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the next General
The Rev. Dr. Eckel of Dallas moved that this House concur in the foregoing Message of the House of Bishops, and the Rev. Mr. Knickerbocker of Minnesota stated that the entire Minnesota delegation moved to concur in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 85.]

The Rev. Dr. Eckel of Dallas presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention record its appreciation of the generous invitation to meet in Minneapolis in 1931 and its regret at being unable to accept for that year.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 86.]

No. 20 being taken from the Calendar, the Report of the Joint Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry, the Rev. Dr. Bartlett presented the resolutions on pages 32 and 33 of the Report.

The Rev. Dr. Powell of California asked that a separate vote be taken on Resolution No. 5, and the vote being taken, Resolution No. 5 was not adopted, the vote being 92 for and 161 against.

Mr. Dibble of Western Michigan asked that a separate vote be taken on Resolution No. 1, and the vote being taken, Resolution No. 1 was not adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Bartlett then presented Resolutions Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, and 7, all of which were adopted.

A separate vote was taken on Resolution No. 8, which was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Humphries of Maryland presented the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar.

WHEREAS, There are now twenty-eight City Mission organizations working in this Church, and whereas there is great need for the extension of this work of ministering to the material and spiritual needs of thousands in public and other institutions for the sick and afflicted, for the erring and wayward, bringing to them the comfort and hope of Christ's religion, and

WHEREAS, At a recent meeting of certain City Mission executives, held in the City of Washington, there was voiced the desire for a national organization to bring about closer affiliation with each other, and for guidance and inspiration of the whole Church;

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint a Commission of three bishops, three presbyters
and three laymen, with power to add to their number, to be known as
the Commission on City Mission Work.

Mr. Parker of Massachusetts presented the following resolution,
which was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General
Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church assembled in the City of
Washington, 1928 A. D., hereby expresses its heartfelt appreciation to
the members of the Episcopal Actors' Guild and to the members of the
Washington Committee who have given of their time and talent so gen-
erously, in the five presentations of the twelfth century religious play,
"Adam." The sincerity, beauty and reverence of the performances have
profoundly moved all who have witnessed them, and the members of
this Convention are deeply grateful for this powerful demonstration of
the aid that dramatic art can give the Church in the setting forth of
religious truth. Further

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the Secretary of
the Guild.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 87.]

The Rev. Mr. Lane of Arizona made the following announce-
ment:

The Offering at the Birthday Service of the Church Divinity School
of the Pacific held on October 18, St. Luke's Day, has been turned over
to the Treasurer of the Department of Missions to be designated by
him as a special gift to St. Luke's Home, Phoenix, Arizona, amounting
to $61.

The House stood adjourned at 12:45 P.M.

ELEVENTH DAY

CONTINENTAL HALL, MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the
Chair. Prayers were said.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, the House went into Executive
Session at 10:45 A.M. to consider the report of the Committee on
the Consecration of Bishops. The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of that
Committee presented Report No. 3, and the resolution attached
thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 3. The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops to
which was referred the Certificate of the House of Bishops announcing
that they had elected the Rt. Rev. William Matthews Merrick Thomas,
Bishop Suffragan of Southern Brazil, to be Bishop in the Missionary
District of Southern Brazil respectfully submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies give its consent to the election
of the Rt. Rev. William Matthews Merrick Thomas to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Southern Brazil.

R. BOWDEN SHEPHERD, Chairman.
ROSEWELL PAGE, Secretary.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 93.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 4, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 4. The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops to which was referred the Certificate of the House of Bishops announcing that they had elected the Rev. George Herbert Thomas, of Chicago, to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Wyoming after full consideration of the subject and with a deep sense of the responsibility involved in such action adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies give its consent to the Consecration of the Rev. George Herbert Thomas to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Wyoming.

R. BOWDEN SHEPHERD, Chairman.
ROSEWELL PAGE, Secretary.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 92.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 5, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 5. The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops to which was referred the Certificate of the House of Bishops announcing that they had elected the Rev. Frederick Deane Goodwin, of Virginia, to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Nevada, after full consideration of the subject and with a deep sense of the responsibility involved in such action adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies give its consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Frederick Deane Goodwin to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Nevada.

R. BOWDEN SHEPHERD, Chairman.
ROSEWELL PAGE, Secretary.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 91.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 6, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 6. The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops to which was referred the Certificate of the House of Bishops announcing that they had elected the Rev. Norman S. Binsted, of Tokyo, to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Tohoku, after full consideration of the subject and with a deep sense of the responsibility involved in such action, adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies give its consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Norman S. Binsted to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Tohoku.

R. BOWDEN SHEPHERD, Chairman.
ROSEWELL PAGE, Secretary.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 90.]

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business moved that the Executive Session be closed, and the House went into open session and took up the regular order of business.
The Minutes of the tenth day were read and approved.

The following members not before present, appeared and took their seats:

Rev. Mr. Carter of West Virginia, Mr. Buck of Alabama, Mr. Jones of Bethlehem, Mr. Prescott of Louisiana, Mr. Grandy of Southern Virginia, and Mr. Miller of West Virginia.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention shall adjourn sine die on Thursday, October 25th, at one o'clock P.M.; and that the closing service with the reading of the pastoral letter be held at the Church of the Epiphany at 2:30 P.M. on that day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 89.]

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the presiding officers of the two Houses appoint a Joint Committee, consisting of one Bishop, one Presbyter and one Layman, with the President of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Colorado, and the General Chairman of the local Executive Committee of this present Convention, to be known as the Joint Committee on Arrangements for the General Convention of 1931; and shall have power to act with the local Executive Committee of the Diocese of Colorado and its General Chairman in making all arrangements for the General Convention of 1931 in Denver, and for such meetings as are held coincident thereto.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 88.]

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on Arrangements for the next General Convention are hereby instructed that the Hall of the House of Deputies must be reserved for the use of that House at night after the tenth day of the session and is not to be utilized for any other purpose without the approval of the Chairman of the Committee on Despatch of Business of that House being first obtained.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 94.]

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Chairman of the Committees on Despatch of Business of the two Houses be constituted a Joint ad interim Committee to which the Joint Committee on Arrangements shall refer for approval their proposed program for the General Convention to be held in 1931.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 95.]

Resolved, That the Order of Business for today, following after reports of Standing Committees shall be as follows:

1. Reports of Joint Committees, Joint Commissions, etc.
2. Reports of Special Committees.
3. Petitions and Memorials.
4. Motions and Resolutions.
5. Report on Memorials to Deceased Members to be the Special Order of the Day immediately after prayers for Missions.
6. Commission on Church Building Fund—The Trustees to be allowed ten (10) minutes to address the House.
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 55.**

Eighth day of Session, October 18, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Commission of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen be appointed to take under sympathetic consideration the whole question relating to the desirability of a change in or the dissolution of the Pastoral Relation, together with the question respecting the many unemployed clergy who are urgently desirous of attaining parochial or missionary work: and this House appoints as members of such Commission on its part the Bishop of South Western Virginia, the Bishop of Pittsburgh and the Bishop of Western Nebraska.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

**MESSAGE No. 63.**

Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 24, Section I., be amended by substituting for the last sentence of the section the following:

"A Deaconess who marries shall not continue to exercise her office."

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

**MESSAGE No. 66.**

Eighth day of Session, October 18, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following resolutions, presented by the Joint Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry, be adopted:

**RESOLUTION No. 1.**

Resolved, That the subject matter of Resolution No. 1 contained in the Report of the Joint Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry be referred to the Commission on College Work of the Department of Religious Education of the National Council.

**RESOLUTION No. 2.**

Resolved, That the General Convention urge upon the Clergy of the Church the need of making as a major objective of endeavor, the securing of fit persons to serve in the Sacred Ministry of the Church.
RESOLUTION No. 3.
Resolved, That the attention of the Church be called to the claims of our Church Colleges as competent and successful training schools for students contemplating the Ministry.

RESOLUTION No. 4.
Resolved, That the Commission on Ministry of the Department of Religious Education be requested to make special inquiry during the next Triennium into the practical working of Canon 5 with a view of ascertaining if possible whether it has resulted in a lowering of standards, whether the safeguards it carries are being observed, and what, if anything, can be done to effect its aim.

RESOLUTION No. 5.
Resolved, That a Joint Commission of the General Convention consisting of 3 Bishops, 3 Presbyters and 3 Laymen be appointed, with whom there shall be associated one Bishop, one Presbyter, and one Layman, elected by each Province for the consideration of the whole subject of Distribution of the Ministry, to whom the recommendations on the subject in this report shall be referred, said Joint Commission to make report with recommendations to the next General Convention.

RESOLUTION No. 6.
Resolved, That the recommendations in this report relating to religion in the home, be referred to the Department of Religious Education of the National Council with authorization to prepare and set forth such aids to worship in the home, and such lists of books and monographs for family reading as in their judgment will promote family devotion.

RESOLUTION No. 7.
Resolved, That the recommendations in this report relating to Theological Training be referred to the Commission on the Ministry of the Department of Religious Education for further study and report.

RESOLUTION No. 8.
Resolved, That this Commission be discharged from further consideration of its commitments.

The House of Bishops appoints as members of the Joint Commission under Resolution No. 5, on its part, Bishop N. S. Thomas, the Bishop of Olympia, and the Bishop of West Texas.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 118.]

The House concurred in the foregoing Message, with exception of Resolution No. 5, which was placed on the Calendar.

MESSAGE No. 67. Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 18, Section VII [v.] be amended so that it shall read

[v.] In case of the acceptance of the resignation of a Missionary Bishop for cause of age or disability, he shall receive from the National Council a retiring allowance not less than one-half of his salary at the date of retirement [less any grant received from the Church Pension
Fund, and less any official income he may receive from an ecclesiastical position which he is allowed to accept.

**CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.**

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

**MESSAGE No. 74.**

Ninth day of Session, October 19, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 54, appointing a Joint Commission on the status of King Theological Hall, and this House appoints as members of such Commission on its part the Bishop of Southern Virginia and the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

**CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.**

**MESSAGE No. 79.**

Ninth day of Session, October 19, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 62, appointing a Joint Committee to consider and report on the question of the renovation and custody of the Archives of the General Convention, and this House appoints as members of such Joint Committee on its part the Bishop of Rhode Island, the Bishop Coadjutor of Albany and the Bishop of Marquette.

**CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.**

**MESSAGE No. 81.**

Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two laymen be appointed to represent the General Convention in conferring with Committees of the American Church Institute for Negroes, the Trustees of the Bishop Payne Divinity School and the Trustees of St. Augustine's College, as to the future disposition and policies of the Bishop Payne Divinity School for the training of negro candidates for the Holy Ministry.

This resolution is presented at the request of a Committee of twelve appointed by the Presiding Bishop as President of the American Church Institute for Negroes, and it is presented for the following reasons:

1. While located in the Diocese of Southern Virginia it is the only existing seminary of the Church dedicated to the training of negroes for ministry to their people, and as such has a claim upon the whole Church.

2. The inadequacy and partial dilapidation of the present buildings and equipment, together with the development of unfavorable social and moral conditions in the immediate vicinity of the school have raised question and produced problems for which the American Church Institute and the Trustees of the school have together earnestly and prayerfully sought some solution.

3. The suggestion has been made that a removal to the neighborhood or perhaps to the (actual) grounds of St. Augustine's College, Raleigh, North Carolina, together with a wider distribution of the mem-
The House of Bishops informs the House adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a more adequate support for Church work in our colleges and universities is recommended to our National Council and that in so far as the budget and other resources will permit expenditure for this purpose be increased.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That we recommend to parents considering sending sons or daughters to boarding schools that they give serious consideration to the claims of our own Church Schools and that the clergy frequently urge upon parents the excellence and desirability of definitely Christian schools for the young.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message, and the President appointed as members on the part of this House:
The Rev. Dr. Covington of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia, and Messrs. Wood of New York and Page of Virginia.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 96.]

Message No. 82, House of Bishops, Prayer Book Revision.

MESSAGE No. 83. Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a more adequate support for Church work in our colleges and universities is recommended to our National Council and that in so far as the budget and other resources will permit expenditure for this purpose be increased.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That we recommend to parents considering sending sons or daughters to boarding schools that they give serious consideration to the claims of our own Church Schools, and that the clergy frequently urge upon parents the excellence and desirability of definitely Christian schools for the young.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 98.]

Message No. 82, House of Bishops, Prayer Book Revision.

MESSAGE No. 84. Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has received its Message No. 51, giving consent to the Consecration of the Reverend Albert Sidney Thomas to be Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina, and has adopted unanimously the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of the House of Bishops be given to the Consecration of the Reverend Albert Sidney Thomas as Bishop of the Diocese of South Carolina.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 85. Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has unanimously, by a rising vote, concurred with the House of Deputies, in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 65, containing a testimonial to Mr. William W. Skiddy for thirty years Treasurer of the General Convention, and directing that the testimonial be engrossed.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Rural Work be empowered to add to its number.

CHARLES L. PARDIE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 97.]

Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 70, releasing copyrights of certain portions of the revision of the Book of Common Prayer and authorizing the general publication of copies of the Standard Book as adopted by the General Convention of 1928.

CHARLES L. PARDIE, Secretary.

Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that the Presiding Bishop has appointed the Bishop of Western New York and the Reverend Remsen B. Ogilby, D.D., L.H.D., President of Trinity College, Hartford, Connecticut, a Committee to present to the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Archbishop of York, the Testimonials adopted by this Convention.

CHARLES L. PARDIE, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 7. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Mr. C. A. Miller of the Diocese of West Virginia, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention as a Deputy in place of Mr. Robert L. Archer who is unable to serve any longer; that the Rev. J. T. Carter of the Diocese of West Virginia, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention as a Deputy in place of Mr. Walter B. Jones who is unable to serve any longer; that Col. Arthur T. Prescott of the Diocese of Louisiana elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. F. H. G. Fry who is unable to serve any longer; that Mr. C. W. Grandy of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. F. W. Darling, who is unable to serve any longer; and that Mr. Lawrence B. Jones of the Diocese of Bethlehem appointed an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. Winfield Martin, who is no longer able to serve.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.
The Rev. Dr. Powell of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented Report No. 7, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 7. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution has duly considered three proposals by Mr. Joseph H. Beale of Massachusetts, to amend the Constitution.

Mr. Beale has withdrawn one of his proposals since it is covered by the reports of the Committee which are now on the calendar.

The second proposal is still under consideration by the Committee (Report No. 8).

The remaining proposal is as follows: "If the vote of a Diocese in either Order is divided, it shall be counted as one-half vote in the affirmative and a one-half vote in the negative."

The Committee deems this proposal inexpedient because a vote by Orders is by representatives of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts who vote in their representative capacity and not in their individual capacity. In so voting it is the Dioceses and Districts which vote and from the establishment of the General Convention down to the present date it has always been the requirement that there must be an affirmative majority to carry a measure. Not only is this the case because the action is that of Dioceses and Districts and not of individuals but also because it is desirable on important matters that something more than a bare majority of voices should be necessary for the adoption of the matter in hand.

Your Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 8, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 8. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution recommend the following:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be adopted at the next General Convention, in accordance with the provisions of Article XI. of the Constitution:

Amend the last sentence of the fourth paragraph of Section 4, Article I., of the Constitution, so that the same shall read as follows:

"In all cases of a vote by Orders, the two Orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical Order and one in the Lay Order, and each Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States of America having a one-fourth vote in the Clerical Order and a one-fourth vote in the Lay Order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House. No action of either Order shall pass in the affirmative unless it receives the majority of all votes cast, and unless the sum of all the affirmative votes shall exceed the sum of all other votes by at least one whole vote."

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 99.]
Mr. Anderson moved that the Report of the Committee appointed to nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary be reconsidered, and the Report was placed on the Calendar. 35.

The Rev. Mr. Diller of the Committee on the State of the Church presented the following report which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

The Committee on the State of the Church to which was referred the Memorial from the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia asking that General Convention define officially the word "Communicant" as used in the report form issued by the General Church and also to define the difference between the term "communicant" and the term "confirmed person" begs to report that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention recognizes the fact that communicants are active and inactive, that an active communicant as the term is used in the report form issued by the General Church is a confirmed person who in his parish church unless unavoidably prevented has communicated at least once within a year, that inactive communicants are other confirmed persons who for a space of a year or over have absented themselves from Holy Communion, but who still are to be regarded as the children of the Church unless they have renounced her doctrine, discipline and worship and for whose return and welcome the doors of the Church are always open.

HOWARD W. DILLER.

Mr. Mansfield of the Committee on Expenses presented Report No. 4, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

REPORT No. 4. The Committee on Expenses recommend that Section VI. of Canon 51 be amended to read as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Section VI. of Canon 51 be amended by inserting in the sixth line thereof before the word "five," the words "not more than"; and by adding at the end of the ninth line of such section the words "the amount of such assessment shall be determined by the Committee on Expenses."

BUTON MANSFIELD, Chairman.

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 5, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 5. The Committee on Expenses, to whom was referred the report of the Treasurer, pursuant to Section V. of Canon 51 beg leave to report that they have examined the same and have caused it to be audited by one of their number and have found it correct. They have also obtained from the Bank of Manhattan Company of New York a receipt to the effect that the securities belonging to the permanent fund of the Convention, amounting at par to $33,000 are now in its possession.

We desire to call your attention particularly to the fact that for the eighth time in succession the assessment upon the Dioceses for the contingent expenses of the General Convention have been paid in full and we are more than glad to say that the extra assessment to meet the expenses of the Bishop Brown trial have also been fully paid.
Your Committee submit the report of the Treasurer with the certificate of the auditor above referred to, and recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the report of the Treasurer with the certificate of the auditor attached thereto be accepted and printed in the Journal.

BURTON MANSFIELD, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 100.]

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of the Committee on Christian Education presented Report No. 2, which was ordered printed in the Journal:

REPORT No. 2. Your Committee on Christian Education, to which was referred the resolution of the Reverend Edmund J. Lee of Anking, China, on the subject of the Church Secondary School, begs to make this body the following report:

There is no more sacred duty facing the Church than the education of her children. If she does this poorly, no later putting forth of reclaiming energies can possibly make up fully for the loss. In an age of intense interest in the subject of education there is all about us a religious ignorance which is simply appalling. Dr. B. I. Bell reminds us in his recent book, Common Sense in Education, that "both religion and philosophy are largely neglected today in the training of the young." Yet the really great minds among thoughtful men recognize that to take away religious experience from the 20th Century child is a very stupid and costly thing.

Christian education covers today a wide field. Perhaps most of us think of it first as it is carried on in the work of the Sunday School. In recent years there has been without doubt very marked improvement in the efficiency of our Sunday Schools, and this has been due to the devoted labors and interest of consecrated men and women who for the love of Christ Jesus were willing to give their best service to this work. It has been greatly fostered by the Department of Religious Education which has introduced Normal School training and better curricula. Up to the age of thirteen or fourteen years the boys and girls are held, but after that period there is apparently a serious falling off. This gap in the hold the Church has upon her youth still waits to be filled, and invites far more attention than it has received.

2. In the matter of Church boarding schools for boys and girls, which is the subject of Mr. Lee's memorial, these schools present an opportunity for religious nurture and instruction which is definitely within our reach. Many parents select these Church schools for their children because they expect that in such an atmosphere Christian character foundations will be greatly strengthened. The opportunity here given for thorough grounding in the faith and for starting our youth on a career of definite Christian experience and practice is a very precious one. The other day a distinguished educator estimated the number of students in his college who were vitally interested in the subject of religion at one-half of one per cent. It seems to us that there would be a gain resulting from a closer connection between the Commission on Work in Colleges and the boys and girls of Church boarding schools. There are thousands of our young people who are enrolled in boarding schools which have no connection with this Church. The attention of the Commission is called to these groups.
3. But the Sunday School and the Church boarding school reach only a small fraction of the vast number of boys and girls of secondary or high school age. These youths are found in largest numbers in public schools. We believe that our Commission on Week Day Religious Instruction in Public Schools, an enterprise which in this country is actually functioning in more than two thousand schools, deserves a far larger support. The Reverend Lewis B. Whittemore of Grand Rapids, Mich., is the head of this Commission, and those who have made successful trial of it are steadily improving their curriculum and teaching force.

4. Of the work being done for students in colleges by the group headed by the Reverend E. Leslie Glenn we can only speak with deep gratitude and confidence. It is a field perhaps never more difficult to cultivate than it is today. It calls for our best trained and wisest young men. The most earnest and successful among them feel that only a small beginning has been made. The very magnitude of the task is bringing them to their knees. We must get at the young men and women in normal schools as well as in colleges and universities. Most of them would be open to us. The local church cannot alone in most cases make adequate provision for these large student groups. They have assembled from widely separated localities, and this is a task that can only be undertaken by the National Church if it is to be done adequately. In this connection it is to be borne in mind that the delicate matter of the selection and placing of the right man at one of these posts is often the key to the whole situation, and it would seem that this might be effectively promoted by the aid of a central board of strategy.

In closing we would record the hope that more of those to whom God has committed the stewardship of wealth may be moved to provide for both Church secondary education and for our theological seminaries. In view of the vital importance of the kind of training the Seminaries are now giving and of the limited resources that most of them have, this Committee desires to urge upon the whole Church the necessity of their more liberal support.

ARTHUR B. KINSLING, CHAIRMAN.

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of the Committee on Social Service presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following be reappointed members of the Board of Managers of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States: Rev. W. S. Chase, D.D., Rev. G. F. Dudley, D.D., and Rev. C. K. Gilbert; that Rev. W. Russell Bowie, D.D., be appointed an additional member of the Board, and that the Right Reverend James E. Freeman, D.D., Bishop of Washington, D. C., be appointed an honorary Vice-President of the Alliance.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 101.]

The Rev. Mr. Stowell of the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members presented the Report of that Committee which was received by the members of the House standing. Prayers were said by the President.

Mr. Wyckoff of California presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Christian Healing which was placed on the Calendar.
Mr. Seymour of Long Island presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 53, Section II., line two, the words "three Laymen" be amended to read "seven Laymen," so that the first part of that sentence shall read:

"Section II. A permanent Board consisting of one Bishop, one Clergyman and seven Laymen, shall be constituted under the name of the Board of Church Finance," etc.

The Rev. Dr. Silver of New York presented the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That whenever any member of a Joint Committee or a Joint Commission of this Convention shall have been absent for three successive regular meetings, unless excused or because of providential cause, shall automatically cease to be a member thereof. And further be it

Resolved, That such Joint Committees or Commissions are hereby authorized to fill vacancies so occurring.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 102.]

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolutions, which were referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, That rule 9 of the Rules of Order, covering the daily Order of Business, be revised to read as follows; viz.:

The Daily Order of Business shall be as follows:
I. Opening Prayer.
II. Reading of Journal.
III. Communications from the President.
IV. Report of Committee on Despatch of Business.
V. Reports of other Standing Committees in the following order:
  1. On Elections.
  2. On Rules of Order.
  3. On Admission of New Dioceses.
  4. On the Consecration of Bishops.
  5. On Amendments to the Constitution.
  8. On the State of the Church.
 10. On Missions.
 12. On Christian Education.
 13. On Social Service.
 15. On Memorials of Deceased Members.
 17. On the Church Pension Fund.
 18. On Evangelism.
VI. Reports of Joint Committees, Joint Commissions, etc.
VII. Reports of Special Committees.
VIII. Petitions and Memorials.
IX. Motions and Resolutions.
X. Business on the Calendar.
Resolved, That Rule 16 of the Rules of Order be amended by adding thereto the following: viz., "when the voting is by Dioceses and Orders the request for division must be made by the entire Clerical or Lay Representation from any Diocese."

Mr. Anderson for the Committee on Despatch of Business gave notice that Tuesday would be the last day for the introduction of new business except by a two-thirds vote.

No. 33 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Humphries of Maryland recommending that the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint a Commission on City Mission Work was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 103.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**Message No. 90.** Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 73, appointing a Joint Committee to nominate members of the National Council whose terms expire at this Convention, and this House appoints as members of such Joint Committee on its part the Bishop of Kentucky and the Bishop of Western Massachusetts.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

**Message No. 91.** Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 80:

WHEREAS, The United State government through its Secretary of State, the Honorable Frank B. Kellogg has signed with fourteen other nations the Kellogg-Briand Peace Pact of far-reaching importance and which portends toward the outlawry of war, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention does hereby record its sincere approval of said Peace Pact in the blessed hope that the coming of the Kingdom of God on earth will be hastened, and ultimately the Prince of Peace shall reign supreme.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

**Message No. 92.** Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 81, that Secretaries or Registrars of Dioceses secure data concerning deceased members of General Convention.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

**Message No. 93.** Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained
in its Message No. 82, that the following be elected as Members of the Board of Trustees of the Church Pension Fund:

The Rev. Dr. Cameron J. Davis of Western New York, for three years, to fill an unexpired term.

The following gentlemen for the regular term of nine years:
- The Rt. Rev. Dr. Warren L. Rogers of Ohio,
- Mr. Wm. Fellows Morgan of New York,
- Mr. Monell Sayre of New Jersey,
- Mr. Wm. H. Crocker of California,
- Mr. Charles A. Goodwin of Connecticut,
- Mr. George W. Wickersham of New York.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 94. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 83, containing a preamble and resolution from the Joint Commission on European Churches postponing consideration of the Memorial presented to the General Convention of 1925 relating to the proposed election of a resident Bishop for Europe.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 95. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 86, that this General Convention record its appreciation of the generous invitation to meet in Minneapolis in 1931, and its regret at being unable to accept for that year.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 96. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 87, expressing appreciation to the members of the Episcopal Actors' Guild, and to the members of the Washington Committee, for time and talent given so generously in the five presentations of the twelfth century religious play “Adam.”

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House stood adjourned at 1 P.M.

TWELFTH DAY

CONTINENTAL HALL, TUESDAY, October 23, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the eleventh day were read and approved.
The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:

Rev. Dr. Rogers of Harrisburg, Mr. De Angelis of Central New York, Mr. Miller of Marquette, Mr. Taliaferro of Southern Virginia, Mr. Bryan of Virginia.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Order of Business for today following after the head of Petitions and Memorials shall be as follows:
1. Reports of Joint Committees, Joint Commissions, etc.
2. Reports of Special Committees.
3. Motion to reconsider action on Election of Trustees General Theological Seminary.
4. Reports from Joint Commission on Revision of Prayer Book.
5. Trustees Church Building Fund. Ten minutes' time to be allowed Trustees to address the House.
6. Amendments to Constitution from last General Convention.
7. Messages from House of Bishops.
8. Motions and Resolutions.

Resolved further, That all individual speeches today be limited to ten minutes, except as to chairmen presenting reports or closing debate; and except that speeches on Budget and Program be limited to 15 minutes each.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

Report No. 8. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Judge Pascal C. J. De Angelis of the Diocese of Central New York, elected an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Prof. L. T. Wilcox who is unable to serve any longer; that Mr. A. E. Miller of the Diocese of Marquette, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. P. W. Phelps, who is unable to serve any longer; that Mr. John Stewart Bryan of the Diocese of Virginia, elected a Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. Murray M. McGuire, elected as an Alternate Deputy, and accredited to this Convention and serving therein as a Deputy until October 22nd in place of Mr. John Stewart Bryan.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

Mr. Henry of the Committee on Rules of Order presented Report No. 4, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 4. The Committee on Rules of Order to whom was referred the resolution of Mr. Anderson proposing an amendment to Rule 16 respectfully reports it has considered such resolution and submits the following:

Resolved, That Rule 16 of the Rules of Order be amended by adding thereto the following, viz., "When the voting is by Dioceses and Orders,
the request for division must be made by the entire Clerical or Lay Representation from any Diocese.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Chairman.

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 5, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 5. The Committee on Rules of Order to whom was referred the resolution of Mr. Anderson proposing an amendment to Rule 9 of the Rules of Order, covering the daily Order of Business, respectfully reports it has considered the same and submits the following:

Resolved, That Rule 9 of the Rules of Order, covering the daily Order of Business be revised to read as follows:

"The Daily Order of Business shall be as follows:

I. Opening Prayer.
II. Reading of Journal.
III. Communications from the President.
IV. Report of Committee on Despatch of Business.
V. Reports of the Standing Committees in the following order:
   1. On Elections.
   2. On Rules of Order.
   3. On Admission of New Dioceses.
   4. On the Consecration of Bishops.
   5. On Amendments to the Constitution.
   8. On the State of the Church.
   10. On Missions.
   12. On Christian Education.
   13. On Social Service.
   15. On Memorials of Deceased Members.
   17. On the Church Pension Fund.
   18. On Evangelism.

VI. Reports of Joint Committees, Joint Commissions, etc.
VII. Reports of Special Committees.
VIII. Petitions and Memorials.
IX. Motions and Resolutions.
X. Business on the Calendar.

GEORGE F. HENRY, Chairman.

Mr. Mansfield of the Committee on Expenses presented Report No. 6, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 6. The Committee on Expenses offer the following resolution for adoption:

As a rule, the matters referred to are of a routine character and are not formally sent to them by the Convention, but according to the usual course of business are first presented to the Convention by the Committee.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following budget for the triennial period ending September 30, 1931, be adopted.
That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the bills of the Registrar for the expenses of his office to a sum not exceeding $100.00 for the triennial period and a further sum not to exceed $150.00 for expenses incurred upon the consecration of Bishops.

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay only such bills for printing, stationery, binding, postage and other incidental expenses, as shall have been approved and countersigned by the Chairman of the Committee on Expenses, or in his absence, or inability to act, by some other member of that Committee.

That all printing, the expense of which is to be borne by this Convention, required by any Committee, or Commission, during the interval between the meetings of General Convention, shall be done under the direction of the Secretary of the House of Deputies.

That the Secretary of the House of Deputies be instructed to have printed not exceeding 3,000 copies of the Journal, including the Constitution and Canons and also a separate edition of the Constitution and Canons, the number thereof to be at his discretion; it being understood that the usual custom regulating their distribution will be followed.

That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Bishops shall be $1,000.00 for the first year, and $100.00 for each succeeding year, until the next General Convention, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

That the Treasurer also be authorized to pay not to exceed $600.00 for the traveling expenses of said Secretary, while in the performance of the duties of his office, during the triennial period.

That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Deputies shall be $2,100.00 for the first year, and $600.00 for each succeeding year, until the next General Convention, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

That the sum of $300.00 be paid to each Assistant Secretary of each House by the Treasurer.

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer a sum not exceeding $50.00 for expenses incurred by him during the triennial period.

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Recorder for services in recording the Ordinations in the Church, the sum of $100.00 per annum, and for expenses a sum not exceeding $100.00 for the triennial period.

That the Treasurer also be instructed to pay for the purposes and up to the amounts named, where necessary, as follows:

For the expenses of the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer the sum of $50.00 for expenses already, or hereafter to be, incurred.

For the expenses of the Joint Commission on Enlarging the Powers of the Provinces, already incurred, a sum not to exceed $300.00.

For the expenses of the Joint Committee on the Federal Council of Churches, already incurred, a sum not exceeding $75.00.

For the expenses of the Committee on Canons a sum not to exceed $150.00.

For other expenses during the coming triennial period based on the experience of similar previous periods, a sum not to exceed $5,000.00.

For the Joint Commission to Study the Whole Problem of Divorce, for expenses already incurred a sum not to exceed $600.00.
For the Joint Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry, for expenses already incurred a sum not exceeding $600.00.

For the expenses in engrossing the resolutions to be presented to the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Archbishop of York, the sum of $200.00 or so much thereof as may be necessary.

The assessment already authorized of $5.00 on each Diocese for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon canonically resident therein will be enough to meet all of these expenses, amounting to about $27,000.00, unless something unforeseen arises.

BURTON MANSFIELD, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 120.]

The Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York made inquiry as to whether it would be possible to include $1,000.00, or as much thereof as might be needed, in the Budget for the use of the Joint Committee on Archives, which was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

Mr. Mansfield of the Committee on Expenses presented Report No. 7, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 7. The Committee on Expenses offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Treasurer of the General Convention be and he is hereby authorized to borrow, in behalf and in the name of the General Convention, with the approval of the Presiding Bishop, such a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars per annum, as in his judgment may be necessary to help defray the expenses of the General Convention; provided, that the total amount of the indebtedness shall at no time exceed ten thousand dollars.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 105.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 8, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 8. The Committee on Expenses ask for the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Committee on Expenses be and they are hereby authorized to meet during the interval between this Convention and the next succeeding one.

BURTON MANSFIELD, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 106.]

The Rev. Dr. Lewis of the Committee on the Prayer Book presented Report No. 2, and the recommendation attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 2. Two memorials to this House concerning the Proposed Revision of the Baptismal Office, one from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and another from the Diocese of New Jersey, were referred by this House to the Joint Commission on Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer. These memorials have been referred by this Commission to the Standing Committee on the Prayer Book.
In view of the fact that the General Convention has taken final action in the matter, and adopted the proposed changes in the Baptismal Office in the Standard Book of Common Prayer, your Committee begs to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The Rev. Dr. Jessup presented the report of the Committee appointed to nominate members of the National Council:

Your Committee which was appointed to nominate members of the National Council beg to report that they have conferred with a similar committee from the House of Bishops and present the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following persons be elected to serve on the National Council in place of those whose terms of office expire at this Convention:

The Right Rev. Wm. Lawrence, D.D.
Mr. Burton Mansfield, of Connecticut.
Mr. Samuel Mather, of Ohio.
Mr. Louis F. Monteagle, of California.
Mr. Richard I. Manning, of Upper South Carolina.

For the Committee, C. A. JESSUP.

Mr. Anderson moved that the Secretary be instructed to cast one ballot for the gentlemen named, which he did, and the President declared them elected.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 104.]

The Rev. Mr. McGann presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Permanent Location of the National Headquarters, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report of Commission on Permanent Location of National Headquarters: Your Commission would call the attention of this Convention to the fact that in 1919 a new organization was created in this Church which was known as the Presiding Bishop and Council and that among other duties it took over those of the Board of Domestic and Foreign Missions, which already had its headquarters at 281 4th Avenue, New York City, and since that time the Presiding Bishop and the National Council have occupied these premises, but with this difference—that in the new organization was included a Presiding Bishop of this Church with an official residence to whom certain powers of a spiritual character were entrusted other than those which pertain to the Presiding Bishop and Council. This involved the residence of a Bishop having certain ecclesiastical jurisdiction given by the General Convention, in the Diocese of another Bishop without permission having been asked or granted to it.

In our judgment the Presiding Bishop has a jurisdiction which is primarily spiritual and only secondarily a fiscal one. He is not the head of a mere secular corporation.

The Commission regrets that its appointment came so late in the session that it cannot work out any program and present it, but it expects under the provisions of the resolution to sit between the sessions of
the General Convention and to give ample opportunity for propositions to be made through it to the next Convention. At these meetings and especially at the formal meeting which will be called shortly before the next General Convention, any interested persons may appear in person or by documents and present any matter to the Commission which may have a bearing upon the subject, and so this Commission asks that any persons or corporations who may have any suggestions, propositions, or invitations to make to the General Convention that have a bearing on this question, will do so during the interim between this and the next General Convention, in order that your Commission may have something tangible to report thereto. Therefore

Resolved, That this Commission be continued and authorized to report at the next General Convention.

No. 35 being taken from the Calendar, being the resolution of Mr. Anderson to reconsider the Report of the Committee to Nominate Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, the resolution was adopted, whereupon the Committee presented the following report which was adopted:

The Rev. L. T. Cole, D.D.
The Rev. Z. B. T. Phillips, D.D.
The Rev. Caleb R. Stetson, D.D.
The Rev. Stephen McGinley.
Mr. George Zabriskie.
Mr. A. Dupont Parker.
Mr. Frank A. Polk.
Mr. Stephen Baker.
Mr. John Nicholas Brown.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 143.]

Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut presented a verbal Report on the American Church Building Fund Commission.

No. 15 being taken from the Calendar, amendments to the Constitution proposed at the Convention of 1925 and to be finally acted upon at this Convention, a division of the question was called for by the entire delegation of South Carolina, a vote was taken by Orders on amending Article I., Section 3, paragraph 2 of the Constitution, and it was adopted by a vote of 72 in the Clerical Order and 63 in the Lay Order. A vote was then taken on Article I., Section 3, paragraph 1, and it was adopted by a vote of 70 in the Clerical Order and 57 in the Lay Order.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 117.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

Message No. 99.  
Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.  
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has by
a constitutional majority finally adopted the following amendments to the Constitution proposed in the last General Convention:

Amend Article I., Section 3, paragraph 2 of the Constitution by striking out the words, "shall thereupon become the Presiding Bishop of the Church until an election of Presiding Bishop be held by the General Convention," and substituting the words, "shall (unless the date of the next General Convention is within three months) immediately call a special meeting of the House of Bishops to be held within two months to elect a Bishop having jurisdiction in the United States to be the Presiding Bishop. The Bishop so elected shall serve until the next General Convention."

Amend Article I., Section 3, paragraph 1, of the Constitution, by striking out the words "having jurisdiction within the United States" at line 5, and by inserting in place thereof the words "of this Church."

Amend Article I., Section 3, paragraph 2, of the Constitution, by striking out the words "or if he shall resign his episcopal jurisdiction" at lines 2 and 3.

The amended sentences will then read as follows:

(1) The House of Bishops shall choose one of the Bishops of this Church to be Presiding Bishop, etc.

(2) But if the Presiding Bishop of the Church shall resign his office as such, or if by reason of infirmity he shall become disabled, or in case of his death, etc.

Mr. Wickersham of New York made a statement concerning the resolution adopted at the First Joint Session regarding St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokyo, in order to clear up a misunderstanding which seemed to exist about this resolution.

The Rev. Dr. Maxon presented Report No. 13 of the Committee on Canons, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 13. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution from the Committee on the State of the Church asking that a Joint Commission on the State of the Church be appointed to take the place of the Committee on the State of the Church, reports that it has considered the proposed resolution, feels that the requirements of Canon 52, "Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of this Church," in Section II. gives very clearly the duties of the Committee on the State of the Church, and therefore offers the following:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 14, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 14. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a recommendation in the Report of the Commission on Deaconesses asking for an amendment in Canon 24, Section I., and, in this connection, to which was also referred a message from the House of Bishops informing the House of Deputies that it had passed a resolution covering the matter involved in the Report of the Commission on Deaconesses, as follows: "Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 24,
Section I, be amended by substituting for the last sentence of the section the following: 'A Deaconess who marries shall not continue to exercise her office,' and offers as its resolution the following:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 63.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 116.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 15, which was placed on the Calendar:

REPORT No. 15. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution submitted by the Rev. Mr. Diller, of Bethlehem, regarding the definition of active and inactive communicants, and a resolution from the Committee on the State of the Church, to which had been referred a memorial from the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia concerning an official definition of the word "communicant," reports that it has considered the resolution submitted for consideration which read as follows:

"Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention recognize the fact that communicants are active and inactive; that an active communicant, as the term is used in the report form issued by the General Church, is a confirmed person who in his parish church, unless unavoidably prevented, has communicated at least once within a year; that inactive communicants are other confirmed persons who for a space of a year or over have absented themselves from Holy Communion but who still are to be regarded as the children of the Church, unless they have renounced her doctrine, discipline and worship, and for whose return and welcome the doors of the Church are always open," and offers as a substitute the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 52, Section I., clause [L], be amended by adding at the end thereof the following: "and for the purpose of such report the number of communicants shall be deemed to be the number of confirmed persons duly registered or enrolled on the records of the parish or congregation."

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 16, which was placed on the Calendar:

REPORT No. 16. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a message from the House of Bishops informing the House of Deputies that it had adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 18 Section VII. [v.], be amended so that it shall read:

[v.] In case of the acceptance of the resignation of a Missionary Bishop for cause of age or disability, he shall receive from the National Council a retiring allowance not less than one-half of his salary at the date of retirement less any grant received from the Church Pension Fund, and less any official income he may receive from an ecclesiastical position which he is allowed to accept, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 67.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 97. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 88, providing for a Joint Committee on Arrangements for the General Convention of 1931, and the Presiding Officer of this House has appointed as member of such Joint Committee on its part, the Bishop of Colorado.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 98. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 89, that this General Convention shall adjourn sine die on Thursday, October 25th, at one o'clock P.M., and that the closing service with the reading of the Pastoral Letter be held at the Church of the Epiphany at 2:30 P.M. on that day.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 100. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on American Churches in Europe be continued with power to fill vacancies.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing resolution.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 115.]

MESSAGE No. 101. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 76, by action taken as communicated in Message No. 81, and hereby concurs as to the appointment of the members of the Committee.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 113. Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 64, as to item (c).

It has not concurred as to item (b).

No action has been taken on item (a).

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago presented the following resolution, which was adopted:
Resolved, That this House request a Committee of Conference with a similar Committee from this House relative to the House of Bishops.

MESSAGE No. 113.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:
The Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio, Mr. Parker of Massachusetts.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 107.]

MESSAGE No. 103.

Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the Present Tasks of the Church be continued.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 114.]

MESSAGE No. 104.

Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Christian Healing be continued.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 113.]

MESSAGE No. 105.

Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Home and Family Life be continued with the following personnel on the part of this House, the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York, the Bishop of West Missouri, the Bishop of Oregon, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of Erie, and the Bishop of Northern Indiana.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message. Later this Commission was discharged. See House of Bishops Message No. 151.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 134.]

MESSAGE No. 107.

Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Seamen's Work be continued.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 112.]

MESSAGE No. 108. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order be continued.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 111.]

MESSAGE No. 109. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry be continued.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 110.]

Later the Commission was discharged. H. B. No. 167. H. D. No. 173.

MESSAGE No. 110. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Committee to which is referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces and all other matters pertaining thereto be continued.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 109.]

MESSAGE No. 111. Eleventh day of Session, October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Church Flag and Seal be continued with the following personnel on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Ohio, the Bishop of Rhode Island, and the Bishop of Delaware.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
The President announced the following personnel on the part of this House:

Rev. Dr. Colladay of Connecticut, Rev. Dr. Easton of New York, Rev. Dr. Owens of Louisiana, Messrs. Baldwin of Long Island, Cram of Massachusetts, and Zabriskie of New York.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 153.]

MESSAGE No. 112. 

Eleventh day of Session, 
October 22, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on the Revision of the Hymnal be continued.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 108.]

No. 34 being taken from the Calendar, Report of Committee on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 66, with the exception of Resolution 5, in which it did not concur.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 118.]

The Rev. Dr. Davis of the Committee on Budget and Program presented the report of that Committee, as follows:

The Committee appointed to consider the Report, Program and Budget of the National Council report that they have held four public hearings which have been widely attended and have brought forth many valuable suggestions. They have also considered and acted upon a number of resolutions referred to them by one or both Houses of Convention.

The Committee have studied the Triennial Report with feelings of gratitude. We have no hesitation in saying that the work of the Church is being done with vision and efficiency. We note with satisfaction that the Dioceses have so far fulfilled the pledges made in their names to the General Convention of 1925, that the Church has been relieved of the huge debt which then burdened her.

And through the wisdom of the "pay as you go" plan adopted in 1925 and administered in good faith by the National Council the budget has been balanced in every year of the triennium.

We have read also the Report of the Evaluation Committee and are impressed with the wisdom of many of the suggestions contained therein. This report was presented only a little over a year ago, but we are convinced that when time permits the National Council to put into effect the recommendations of the Evaluation Committee which it has adopted, economies will be effected, and still greater efficiency attained in the furtherance of the Church's Mission.

Your Committee have considered matters committed to them under the following heads:
1. Maintenance Budget.
3. Advance Projects.
I.

MAINTENANCE BUDGET

The Budget submitted by the National Council for the next triennium totals $4,350,000 per year. Towards this sum $700,000 are to come from the United Thank Offering and interest on invested funds, leaving $3,650,000 to be apportioned to the Dioceses, or $140,000 more than the present total budget (see page 45 in the Triennial Report). A study of the items in this budget has convinced the Committee that it is a reasonable and proper one provided sufficient funds were available. A part of the increase is due to increases of salaries for missionaries some of which were voted by Convention. It is a fact, however, that during the past triennium the income of the Church has been insufficient to balance the budget of 1925 by a sum varying from $435,498 in 1926 to $700,639 in 1928, and the amount of the proposed budget is $733,629 greater than was actually received in 1927. During the past triennium this has necessitated, under the "pay as you go" plan a curtailment of projects each year in order to balance the budget. Your Committee are convinced that, however necessary this curtailment may be, it is harmful both to the work and to the morale of the Church. We therefore propose a budget which totals less than that submitted by the National Council, that is, $4,224,670, in the hope that the earnest effort of the Dioceses will make this continuous annual curtailment unnecessary. While this revision of the budget of the National Council is accomplished without in any way curtailing present work, in the opinion of the Committee no further cuts can be made in the appropriations under the "pay as you go" plan without jeopardizing vital existing work. Every Diocese is therefore urged to make determined efforts to reach its full quota. The items which we have deleted are in large part for projects not yet begun and for which no obligation has yet been undertaken. These are classified as follows:

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Your Committee have considered a resolution to appropriate $7,500 for the Commission on Faith and Order. The Committee advise that this great work deserves official recognition by an appropriation in the budget, but is not willing to recommend more than $2,500 at the expense of vital missionary work. They offer hereafter, therefore, a resolution appropriating $2,500.

The election by this Convention of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Tohoku, Japan, requires the addition to the budget of $2,000 to provide this increase in salary, travel and discretionary fund for the new Bishop. These operations result as follows:

| Proposed Budget of the National Council               | $4,350,000  |
| Deleted Items                                         | 129,830     |
| Add appropriation for Faith and Order                 | 2,500       |
| Add appropriation for Tohoku                         | 2,000       |
| **Budget recommended by Committee**                  | **$4,224,670**|
This sum is about $12,000 larger than the total of the budget presented in 1925. While the reduction proposed above does not affect the work now being done, we emphasize the fact however that the expected income from Dioceses must be increased by approximately $500,000 to do the work proposed in the revised budget.

II.

Method of Apportionment

Your Committee have discovered from their public hearings a great diversity of opinion as to the method which should be used in assigning quotas to the Dioceses, and great difficulty in understanding the method now employed. We feel that the matter is in no wise closed but calls for further study and we therefore recommend that it be referred to the National Council with the request that the Presiding Bishop appoint a Joint Committee to make such further study. The suggestions of a flat rate, exemptions for ministers' salaries, assessment upon income with exemptions for Diocesan Missions, etc., which have been made to this Committee should be the subject of more careful investigation than this Committee can give during the crowded hours of Convention.

Your Committee recommend that the Budget for the next triennium be apportioned to the respective Dioceses in the following manner:

For all Dioceses having an average parish and missions "Current expense" of $1,000, or less, the rate shall be 16%, which shall be regarded as the basic or normal rate.

For the amount of average parish and mission "current expenses" in excess of $1,000 up to and including $2,000, the rate shall be 18%.

For the amount of average parish and mission expense in excess of $2,000 up to and including $3,000, the rate shall be 20%.

For the amount of average parish and mission expense in excess of $3,000 up to and including $4,000, the rate shall be 22%.

And for the amount of average parish and mission expense over and above $4,000 the rate shall be 24%.

The total of the amounts in these classes added together and multiplied by the number of congregations will be the quota of the Diocese.

The following diagram illustrates the completed average parish quota:

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The yearly average "current expenses" to be used in making these calculations shall include the "current expenses" of parishes and all missions, whether parochial or otherwise, as reported to the National Council for the years 1924, 1925, 1926.

To illustrate:

A Diocese has 27 parishes averaging $1,200 parish current expenses. Then

The quota on $1,000 at 16% equals $160.00
The quota on $200 at 18% equals 36.00

Total quota average $196.00

This multiplied by 27 parishes and missions equals $5,292.00 which is the Diocesan quota.
Or again:
A Diocese has 100 parishes averaging $5,200 parish current expenses.

Then

The quota on $1,000 at 16% equals.................. $160.00
The quota on $1,000 at 18% equals.................. 180.00
The quota on $1,000 at 20% equals.................. 200.00
The quota on $1,000 at 22% equals.................. 220.00
The quota on $1,200 at 24% equals.................. 288.00

Total quota average .................................. $1,048.00

This multiplied by 100 parishes and missions equals......$104,800.00
which is the Diocesan quota.

The Committee recommend that appeal be made to all Dioceses to report promptly and accurately their total parochial current expenses. And in this connection your Committee report that they have considered the definition of "current expenses" referred to them from the Report of the Board of Church Finance and recommend that it be amended so that community work and Church Pension Fund premiums and taxes shall not be assessed as specified in the resolution attached hereto.

III.
Advance Work

The Committee find themselves in hearty accord with the proposal of the National Council in regard to an advanced Work Program as printed on the last page of its report. Our recommendations in accordance with this proposal are embodied in resolutions which are attached hereto.

IV.
Evaluation Committee

Your Committee feel that the Church is greatly indebted to the Evaluation Committee for its exhaustive report. It is obviously impossible for us to comment upon it in great detail. We venture, however, to emphasize certain aspects of it. The vexing question of "static work" should be faced frankly and fearlessly. While the "promise" of a work cannot be measured entirely by growth in size or numbers, since many rural stations are feeding city parishes, it is certain that any station which in a period of five years shows no growth, or activity as indicated by baptisms or confirmations, should at least be subject to most careful scrutiny. It is the opinion of the Committee that such a static work should then become a responsibility of the Diocese or locality in order that the funds of the General Church may be concentrated upon strategic centers.

The Committee recommend also that further attention be given to the matter of per capita costs in the mission field, that apparent inequalities may be satisfactorily explained to inquirers.

We commend paragraphs 49, 50 and 51 to the serious consideration of the Church, and especially to the National Council and to the Dioceses and Districts affected. It would seem to be axiomatic that every Diocese or District receiving aid from the National Council should report in detail not only what disposition has been made of funds entrusted to them, but also what work is being done, the number of baptisms, confirmations, etc., in order that the National Council may determine the value of such work.
The Committee approve the suggestion that the National Council appoint a committee to study the question of how missionary jurisdictions shall be encouraged to become self-supporting and also confirm the assertion that the need for institutional work in some parts of the missionary field is lessening and that any expansion thereof should be undertaken only after a most careful survey of the need as well as of the possible benefits to be derived from such expansion.

While this Committee as a whole do not agree with the Evaluation Committee that steps should be taken looking towards the merging of the Publicity and Field Departments since these seem to some essentially distinctive spheres of work we recommend a study by the National Council of the question whether a closer co-ordination of their work may not be effected with a consequent reduction in the expenditures of these departments and the avoiding of duplication of work.

Your Committee note the resolution adopted by the Evaluation Committee and accepted by the National Council to the effect that the furloughs of certain missionaries be extended in order that they may be sent throughout the Church to describe their work. We have been impressed by the widespread desire evidenced in our public hearings and through resolutions referred to us that there should be closer contact between the missionaries and the home Church, in order that our members may give primarily to support a work rather than to balance a budget. We feel that necessary as organization is to the raising of money, it must fail in the long run unless there be implanted the motive of real interest in the work itself based upon knowledge. And we are confident that the workers themselves often give such knowledge and awaken such interest far more effectively than anyone else.

Of the same intent as this is the suggestion advanced in resolutions referred to us asking that the program be presented in terms of work as well as in terms of money, and that to this end the National Council be instructed to assign to each Diocese and missionary jurisdiction a definite missionary field, or a part thereof, whose work it shall support. In regard to this the Committee favors the promotion of such contacts wherever possible, but they find that efforts are already being made by the National Council in this direction as far as it can be done without an increase of overhead. The Committee believe that the experience of another triennium is needed before a more definite policy of assigning quotas in terms of missionary work is formulated or a specific appropriation recommended.

Your Committee are greatly impressed by the enormous amount of work done by the Evaluation Committee. Your Committee urge that the Report of the Evaluation Committee should not be merely filed for reference, but should be kept to the front as a live topic during the coming triennium; that its recommendations be a continuous order of business for the National Council; and that the National Council include in its report in 1931 a statement of its action upon the various resolutions of the Evaluation Committee which the Council has approved.

Your Committee have been deeply impressed by the evident desire of this Convention to reaffirm and emphasize the spiritual motive and ideal which must ever be the element of primary importance in the life of the Church. With the many resolutions expressing this and referred to it, your Committee find themselves in perfect accord. The Committee have embodied the substance of some of these resolutions in the body of this report.

The following minute, however, so sums up the whole matter that we print it substantially as referred to us with the earnest recommendation
that it be formally adopted by the Convention and circulated by the National Council throughout the Church.

**Minute**

The distinct and clear objective of the mission of the Church is the building up of the body of Christ in the extension, enrichment, and establishment of His Kingdom, to the end that the things which He began to do and teach may be perfected in the life of humanity. The high calling of God in Christ Jesus is not a burden, but a privilege in that we are thus permitted to share in perpetuating the sacrifice of the body of Christ, which is His Church, in giving itself, as He gave Himself, for the life of the world. In order, therefore, that the support given to the mission work of the Church may proceed from the highest motive, this Convention calls upon all Christian people to recognize the principle of Christian stewardship as expressed in regular, proportionate, and sacrificial giving, to the end that the objective of the Church shall not appear to be the raising of a financial quota, but the consecration of the giver to the fulfillment of our Lord's will in the extension and establishment of the Kingdom of God upon earth.

The Rev. Dr. Milton presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the "Minute" of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program defining the objective of the Mission of the Church, be, and is hereby, adopted, and that the National Council be instructed to send copies of this "Minute" in suitable form to all the Clergy and Vestries of the Church.

V.

Your Committee report that they have considered the resolution referred to them appropriating $7,500 for the Commission on Faith and Order, and for the reasons stated above recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

1. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That there be added to the budget for 1929-1931 the sum of $2,500 per year for the work of the Commission on Faith and Order, and that the cause be commended to the generosity of parishes and individuals for further support.

Your Committee have considered the resolution referred to them appropriating $5,000 for the work of the American Bible Society and report that in view of the necessary reduction in the budget it is inexpedient during this triennium to add such appropriation to the budget, but they warmly commend this cause also to the generous support of parishes and individual Churchmen.

Your Committee report further that they have considered the resolution referred to them appropriating $5,000 for the work of the Federal Council, and in view of the fact that there is already an appropriation of $3,000 in the budget for the use of our co-operating department, they recommend no further action upon this matter.

Your Committee report further that they have considered the resolution referred to them proposing a committee to consider a special disposition of the Lenten Offering and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

2. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the subject of a proposed resolution regarding the separate administration of the Annual
Lenten Offering of the Church Schools and the expenditure thereof for special objects be referred to the National Council for consideration: that no recommendation is made to the National Council in reference thereto for the reason that the action desired can be taken only after making provision for the maintenance funds.

The Rev. Dr. Osgood of Minnesota presented an amendment to Resolution No. 2, striking out all that follows the colon, which was adopted:

VI.

In order to carry into effect the recommendations of the foregoing report your Committee move the adoption of the following resolutions:

3. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the budget for the triennium 1929-1931 be fixed in the total amount of $4,224,670 per year; and that the National Council be and it is hereby instructed to revise the budget submitted by it to this Convention approximately to this total, in accordance so far as possible with the recommendations contained in the foregoing report.

4. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be and it is hereby instructed to apportion a sum not to exceed $3,550,000 to the Dioceses upon the basis of average parish and mission current expense according to the plan proposed in this report.

5. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That "current expenses" shall be defined as follows:

"CURRENT EXPENSES"

Stipends of
Rector (excluding such part, if any, as may be paid by the Diocesan authorities).
Assistant Ministers.
Clergy acting as supplies.
Special preachers.
Deaconesses.
Parish visitors.
Parish secretary.
Sexton or janitor.
Assistants to Sexton or janitor.
All other parish workers (excepting lay religious educational director, social service worker, Church school teachers).
Salaries of organist, singers, sheet and book music, choir supplies, and vestments, maintenance and care of musical instruments.
All expenses of maintaining church, parish house, rectory, insurance premiums, automobile expenses, light, heat, and power, telephone and telegraph, stationery, printing and postage, and all other office supplies.
(Note: Expenses of additions or improvements are not to be included.)

The Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago presented an amendment of Resolution 5, striking out the words within the parenthesis, and inserting the word "paid" before "parish," which was adopted.

6. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the whole definition of "current expenses" shall be attached to and made a part of the
Parochial Report forms as published by the Board of Church Finance, or as distributed by Dioceses, if any, not using these forms.

7. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Diocesan quotas shall hereafter be based upon the "current expenses" as shown by parochial reports published in the latest available Diocesan journals, and in the absence of such reports the National Council may estimate such expenses from such information as they may be able to obtain.

8. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be, and it is hereby instructed when it makes known their quotas to the respective Dioceses, also to state clearly in such notice the method and rate employed according to the plan approved by this Convention of ascertaining the quotas; and that the National Council send such notices to the Bishop and Treasurer of each Diocese and Missionary District.

9. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, First that according to the recommendation of the National Council, a joint committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters and four Laymen be appointed to act with the National Council in analyzing the needs for new equipment, and preparing a list of projects to be presented to the people of the Church for their special support, and that in this list emphasis be placed upon strategic points in the Domestic Field.

Second, that the total asked for such advance work shall not exceed the sum of $3,000,000 for the coming triennium.

Third, that the year 1929 shall be used for education in behalf of this advance work.

Fourth, that in the Epiphany Season of 1930 intensive effort shall be put forth to obtain the amount needed.

10. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That, first, each Diocese and Missionary District shall annually on or before January 15th, submit to the National Council a statement of the amount which it expects to pay to the National Council towards the Church's Program for the ensuing year; and that, second, the National Council, at its first meeting for the year, shall adjust the actual appropriations for the year to an amount not to exceed the total income to be expected from these estimates, plus amounts expected from other sources.

11. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention approve the principle of using undesignated legacies for permanent equipment in the missionary field, and directs the National Council to continue such policy during the coming triennium.

12. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be, and it is hereby, authorized to add to the budget the sum of two thousand dollars ($2,000) to provide increase of salary, travel expenses, and discretionary fund for the Bishop of Tohoku, Japan.

13. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That power be, and it is hereby, given to the National Council to readjust and revise, as conditions may determine, the budget adopted by this Convention within the limit of the sum therein called for.

VIII.

In view of the fact that the Committee on Program and Budget are so pressed for time that the members are frequently unable to attend the sessions of the Convention, and are also unable to give as thorough consideration to the subject as it deserves, the following resolution is also moved for adoption:
14. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of twenty members of whom five shall be Bishops, five Presbyters, and ten Laymen be appointed, whose duty it shall be to receive from the National Council the Program and Budget proposed for the action of the General Convention of 1931; the Bishops to be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, and the Presbyters and Laymen to be appointed by the President of the House of Deputies from among the Deputies-elect to the said Convention of 1931; the Committee to consider and report to the two Houses thereof for adoption such budget or modification thereof as they may determine, and for this purpose to meet at least two days before the Convention of 1931.

The House adopted the resolutions presented in the foregoing Report, together with amendments.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 119.]

The Rev. Dr. Milton presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved, That the National Council recommends to the next General Convention the appointment of a Joint Committee to be known as the "Committee on the Adjustment of Quotas," which appointment shall be made immediately after the announcement of the tentative quotas for the next triennium;

Resolved further, That the membership of this Committee shall consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters and six Laymen;

Resolved further, That this Committee be asked to study these quotas, receive requests for revision from such Dioceses as may appeal to them and make such recommendations, as in their judgment are desirable to the National Council with power;

Resolved further, That inasmuch as any reduction of quotas must lower the total amount needed to make up the General Budget the Committee shall take such steps as are necessary to secure an increase in their quotas, from such Dioceses as in their judgment seem able to do more than their assigned quotas;

Resolved further, That the Committee meet each year of the triennium after the annual Every Member Canvass to receive further requests for adjustments in cases of emergency, and recommend to the National Council at its February meeting such adjustments as the Committee may determine upon as both equitable and wise under changed conditions arising during the past year.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the recommendations of the National Council, asking the appointment of a "Joint Committee
on the Adjustment of Quotas," as provided in the recommendations, be and are hereby adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 122.]

The Rev. Dr. Lewis of Connecticut presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be, and hereby are, extended to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, for their excellent report; for the time and study which they have given these most important matters concerning the life of the Church, in which they have successfully reflected the mind of this House.

Mr. Page of Virginia asked for reconsideration of two items in the above report, one being the appropriation for the World Conference on Faith and Order, and the other being the appropriation for the American Bible Society. The motion to reconsider was lost.

Mr. Anderson presented the following request, to which the consent of the House was given:

The resolution introduced by Mr. Overson of North Dakota, regarding the passage of adequate marriage laws was referred to the Commission on Marriage and Divorce, and he asks the consent of this House that the resolution be recalled from that Commission and referred to the Committee on Home and Family Life, who desire to act upon it this afternoon.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

Report No. 9. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that the Rev. B. Talbot Rogers, D.D., of the Diocese of Harrisburg, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Atkins who is unable to serve any longer; and that Mr. W. C. L. Taliaferro of the Diocese of Southern Virginia, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. T. W. Matthews.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the session today be from 2:30 to 6:30 P.M.

The Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Custody of the Archives of the General Convention be empowered to make arrangements with the New York Historical Society, or some other appropriate body, for the temporary safekeeping, on such terms and under such conditions as the Committee may approve, of the Archives of the Church, keeping them in a safe and accessible place
where access may be had to them for the purposes of examination and study.

Resolved further, That the Committee be empowered to consider what permanent arrangement can be made for the permanent custody of the Archives in the Church, and to act in consultation with the National Council.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 124.]

Mr. Houston of Pennsylvania presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we commend the work of the American Bible Society to the generous support of the parishes and individuals of the Church, and that we suggest that this subject be brought before our parishes and missions on the Second Sunday in Advent.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 125.]

The Rev. Mr. Diller presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the joint rules of order of the House of Bishops and House of Deputies be amended by adding thereto a rule to be numbered Rule 4 and to read as follows:

4. At every joint session of the House of Bishops and House of Deputies opportunity shall be given for general debate of any matter under consideration at such session. The time to be allowed for general debate shall be determined by said joint session upon recommendation of the Committee on Despatch of Business of the House of Bishops and House of Deputies.

The Rev. Mr. Pennington of Florida presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the affectionate greetings of the General Convention be extended to the Senior Member, Colonel Z. D. Harrison, who for sixteen successive conventions has been an example of loyalty and devotion to the American Church.

Mr. Brown of Pennsylvania presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, In some Dioceses, missionary work is carried on by the Diocese similar to work that is carried on in other Dioceses by the National Council; and

Whereas, In some Dioceses, the Diocesan budgets have been substantially increased during the last few years though such Dioceses have not met their apportionments to the National Council;

Resolved, That the National Council be instructed to gather from all Dioceses complete information as to the missionary work carried on within their boundaries and as to the relative growth of their Diocesan budgets since 1919, to the end that the General Convention of 1931 may be enabled to decide how far, if at all, the data thus obtained should affect the program of the Church thereafter.
The Rev. Mr. Lee of Anking presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, The Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui and the Nippon Sei Kokwai are self-governing churches in China and Japan respectively, each with its own constitution and canons, its Diocesan and General Synods; and

Whereas, The Missionary Districts of our Japan and China Missions are integral parts of these self-governing churches; therefore

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission of the two Houses of General Convention, consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen, be appointed to consider what changes, if any, should be made in our constitution and canons in the sections governing our relations to these churches and to report to the next General Convention.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

Rev. Dr. Powell of California, Rev. Dr. Maxon of Michigan, Mr. Van Derlip of Minnesota and Mr. Seymour of Long Island.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 150.]

The Rev. Mr. Lawrence of Rhode Island presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary is hereby directed to print the Parliamentary Manual in the Journal in connection with the Rules of Order of this House, and Mr. Anderson of Georgia is requested to furnish the Secretary with a revised copy of the Manuel brought down to date for this purpose.

Resolved, That the Secretary of this House be and hereby is instructed and authorized to print the Rules of Order and Parliamentary Manual with such corrections as may bring the same up to date—as a separate handbook for the use of the Deputies at the next General Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Whereas, The Rt. Rev. Frederick Rogers Graves, D.D., has completed forty years of loyal and effective service as a Missionary of this Church in China; and

Whereas, Bishop Graves will celebrate on Wednesday, October 24th, his seventieth birthday;

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention express to Bishop Graves the profound appreciation of the whole Church of his long and sacrificial and effective service, and assure him of the prayers of the Church that he may be granted many more years in which to give to the cause of Christ his wise and consecrated leadership.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 126.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

Message No. 102.

Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con-
curred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 94, that the Joint Committee on Arrangements for the next General Convention are hereby instructed that the Hall of the House of Deputies must be reserved for the use of that House at night after the tenth day of the session, and is not to be utilized for any other purpose without the approval of the Chairman of the Committee on Despatch of Business of that House being first obtained.

Attest:  
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 106.  
Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following declaration from the Clergy and People of the Diocese of South Florida be received and recorded in the Journal:

Acting on behalf of the Clergy and People of the Diocese of South Florida:

We wish to declare our profound gratitude to the General Convention for its prompt and generous action in relief and aid of the Congregations of the Diocese of South Florida suffering loss and damage from the recent terrible hurricane.

We ask that this declaration be recorded in the Journal of the House of Bishops, and that it be communicated by the Secretary of this House to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies.

(Signed) CAMERON MANN,  
Bishop of South Florida.

(Signed) JNO. D. WING,  
Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 127.]

MESSAGE No. 114.  
Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 5 be amended by the insertion of a new Section VII., as follows:

Section VII. In case of a Deacon desiring to be transferred from one Diocese to another, the Ecclesiastical Authority of the former Diocese must state in the Letter Dimissory the exact standing of the Deacon as regards examinations passed or Dispensations received; also the dates of his birth, admission as a candidate and ordination.

Attest:  
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 115.  
Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 29, amending Canon 5, Section IV.

Attest:  
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
MESSAGE No. 116. 
Twelfth day of Session, 
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 45, amending Canon 7 by inserting a new Section IV. requiring a certificate from a physician before ordination to the Diaconate.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 117. 
Twelfth day of Session, 
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following changes be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alterations be made known to the several Dioceses in order that the same may be adopted by the next General Convention in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution:

1. Amend Article XI. of the Constitution by adding after the words "entitled to vote in the House of Bishops," at line 9 of the Article the following words "excepting that whenever two-thirds of the House of Bishops are present a majority vote shall suffice."

2. Amend Article I., Section 3, by adding after the words "entitled to vote in the House of Bishops," at line 7 of the Article, the following words "excepting that whenever two-thirds of the House of Bishops are present a majority vote shall suffice."

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

MESSAGE No. 118. 
Twelfth day of Session, 
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 39 be amended by the addition of a new Section II., as follows:

Sec. II. Whenever a Minister of this Church shall have been absent from the Diocese or Missionary District for a period of more than two years, and has failed to make the annual report so that his whereabouts are unknown, the Bishop may send the name of such Minister to the Presiding Bishop of the Church, who shall keep a list of such Ministers; but upon application of either the Bishop or the Minister himself, he shall be placed again upon the Diocesan list.

While the Minister's name remains upon the list of the Presiding Bishop he shall not be considered as canonically resident in the Diocese.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 119. 
Twelfth day of Session, 
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained
in its Message No. 95, that the Chairman of the Committees on Despatch of Business of the two Houses be constituted a Joint ad interim Committee to which the Joint Committee on Arrangements shall refer for approval their proposed program for the General Convention to be held in 1931.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 120.

Twelfth day of Session,
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 100, that the Report of the Treasurer, with the certificate of the auditor attached thereto, be accepted and printed in the Journal.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 121.

Twelfth day of Session,
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 101, that the following be reappointed members of the Board of Managers of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States: Rev. W. S. Chase, D.D., Rev. G. F. Dudley, D.D., and Rev. C. K. Gilbert; that Rev. W. Russell Bowie, D.D., be appointed an additional member of the Board, and that the Right Reverend James E. Freeman, D.D., Bishop of Washington, D. C., be appointed as honorary Vice-President of the Alliance.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 122.

Twelfth day of Session,
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 102, that whenever any member of a Joint Committee or a Joint Commission of this Convention shall have been absent from three successive regular meetings, unless excused or because of providential cause, shall automatically cease to be members thereof, and

Further be it Resolved, That such Joint Committees or Commissions are hereby authorized to fill vacancies so occurring.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 123.

Twelfth day of Session,
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 103, that the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint a Commission of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, with power to add to their number, to be known as the Commission on City Mission Work.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 124.

Twelfth day of Session,
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 104, that the following persons be elected to serve on
the National Council in place of those whose terms of office expire at
this Convention:
The Rt. Rev. Wm. Lawrence, D.D.,
The Rt. Rev. H. St. George Tucker, D.D., Bishop of Virginia,
The Rev. Wm. H. Milton, D.D., of East Carolina,
The Rev. George Craig Stewart, D.D., of Chicago,
Mr. Burton Mansfield of Connecticut,
Mr. Samuel Mather of Ohio,
Mr. Louis F. Monteagle of California,
Mr. Richard I. Manning of Upper South Carolina.
Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 125. Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con­
curred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained
in its Message No. 105, that the Treasurer of the General Convention be
and he is hereby authorized to borrow, in behalf and in the name of
the General Convention, with the approval of the Presiding Bishop, such
a sum not exceeding five thousand ($5,000.00) dollars per annum, as in
his judgment may be necessary to help defray the expenses of the Gen­
eral Convention, provided that the total amount of the indebtedness shall
at no time exceed ten thousand ($10,000.00) dollars.
Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 126. Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con­
curred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained
in its Message No. 106, that the Committee on Expenses be and they
are hereby authorized to meet during the interval between this Conven­
tion and the next succeeding one.
Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

No. 37 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 15 of the
Committee on Canons, the resolution attached thereto was
adopted.
[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 121.]

No. 38 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 16 of the
Committee on Canons, the resolution attached thereto was
adopted.
[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 123.]

No. 21 being taken from the Calendar, Messages Nos. 36 and
36-A, the House concurred in both Messages.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this
House:
Rev. Dr. Humphries of Maryland, Rev. Dr. Dudley of Washington,
Rev. Dr. Clingman of Alabama; Messrs. Clement of Harrisburg, Henry
of Iowa and Balthis of Western North Carolina.
[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 151.]
The House stood adjourned.
The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were read. The Minutes of the twelfth day were read and approved.

The following Deputy, not before present, appeared and took his seat:
Rev. B. R. Cocks of Arizona.

The Secretary of the House presented the written evidence that he had complied with the requirements of Canon 51, Section I. [iv.]

The Secretary reported that he had received official notice of the election of Provincial representatives on the National Council as follows:
1. The Rt. Rev. James DeWolf Perry,
2. Hon. Wm. J. Tully,
3. The Rt. Rev. T. J. Garland, D.D.,
4. The Rt. Rev. F. F. Reese, D.D.,
5. The Rt. Rev. J. M. Francis, D.D.,
6. The Rev. Addison E. Knickerbocker,
7. The Rev. W. P. Witsell, D.D.,
8. The Rt. Rev. L. C. Sanford, D.D.

The President announced the death of Bishop Kinsolving of Texas, and led the House in Prayer.

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:
Resolved, (1) That the Report of the Conference Committee on changing the method of electing the Presiding Bishop be the Special Order immediately following the adoption of this report.
(2) That Messages from the House of Bishops may be taken up at any time when no other business is actually under consideration.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 127.

Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 107, requesting a Committee of Conference relative to House of Bishops Message No. 113, and this House has appointed as members of such Committee of Conference on its part, the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Newark.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
The Rev. Dr. Stewart presented the Report for the Joint Conference Committee on Method of Electing a Presiding Bishop as follows:

The Joint Committee having met has unanimously agreed to recommend to the House of Bishops and to the House of Deputies the following amendment to Canon 17:

"Amend Canon 17 by introducing a new section to be numbered Section I. as follows:

"Before a Presiding Bishop is elected a Joint Nominating Committee consisting of eight Bishops (one from each province) together with four Clerical and four Lay members, of the House of Deputies (one member from each province) shall present to the House of Bishops the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop:

"And that the remaining sections of the Canon be numbered accordingly."

(Signed) The Bishop of Georgia, George Craig Stewart.

The foregoing Message and Report were referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

Report No. 10. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that the Rev. B. R. Cocks of the Missionary District of Arizona, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention as a Deputy in place of the Rev. Edwin S. Lane who is unable to serve any longer.

Martin Aigner, Chairman.

Mr. Anderson, for the Committee on Rules of Order, presented the following Report, and the recommendation contained therein was adopted:

Report No. 6. The Committee on Rules of Order having considered the resolution by Mr. Dibble of Western Michigan relative to opportunity for general debate at Joint Sessions, recommend that this be provided for by an addition to the Standing Rules of this House as follows:

V. Resolutions calling for Joint Sessions of the two Houses shall provide that some opportunity for general debate be afforded at such sessions.

The Rev. Dr. Powell of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented Report No. 9, and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted, votes being taken on the first and second resolutions.

Report No. 9. Your Committee to which was referred Message No. 117 from the House of Bishops, amending the Constitution in certain particulars, providing for a change in the requirements for a constitutional majority in the House of Bishops, report that they have considered the same and recommend the passage of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies does not concur with the House of Bishops in amending Article XI. of the Constitution by adding after
the words "entitled to vote in the House of Bishops" at line 9 of the Article the words "excepting that whenever two-thirds of the House of Bishops are present a majority vote shall suffice."

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concur with the House of Bishops in amending Article I., Part 3, of the Constitution by adding after the words "entitled to vote in the House of Bishops" at line 7 of the Article, the following words "excepting that whenever two-thirds of the House of Bishops are present a majority vote shall suffice."

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

HERBERT H. POWELL, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 133.]

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented Report No. 18, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 18. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred Report No. 4 from the Committee on Expenses, respectfully reports that it has considered the report and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Section VI. of Canon 51 be amended by inserting in the sixth line thereof, before the word "five," the words "not more than"; and by adding at the end of the ninth line of such section the words: "The amount of such assessment shall be determined by the Committee on Expenses."

Wm. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 132.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 19, and the resolution attached thereto was not adopted:

Report No. 19. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a Message from the House of Bishops informing the House of Deputies that it had adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 39 be amended by the addition of a new Section II., as follows:

Sec. II. Whenever a Minister of this Church shall have been absent from the Diocese or Missionary District for a period of more than two years, and has failed to make the annual report so that his whereabouts are unknown, the Bishop may send the name of such Minister to the Presiding Bishop of the Church, who shall keep a list of such Ministers; but upon application of either the Bishop or the Minister himself, he shall be placed again upon the Diocesan list.

While the Minister’s name remains upon the list of the Presiding Bishop he shall not be considered as canonically connected with the Diocese.

reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the action of the House of Bishops reported in its Message No. 118.

Wm. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 130.]
The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 20, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

**Report No. 20.** Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a Message from the House of Bishops that it had adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 5 be amended by the insertion of a new Section VII. as follows:

Section VII. In case of a Deacon desiring to be transferred from one Diocese to another, the Ecclesiastical Authority of the former Diocese must state in the Letter Dimissory the exact standing of the Deacon as regards examinations passed or Dispensations received; and also the date of his birth, admission as a candidate and ordination.

respectfully reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the action of the House of Bishops reported in its Message No. 114.

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 131.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented:

**Report No. 17.** Your Committee on Canons respectfully reports that in accordance with Canon 61, Section II., they have appointed the Rev. Dr. William D. Maxon and Mr. Origen S. Seymour to certify the changes made in the Canons at this session of the General Convention.

For the Committee,

Francis S. White, Secretary.

Mr. Mansfield of the Committee on Expenses presented Report No. 9, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

**Report No. 9.** The Committee on Expenses to whom was referred the resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Chorley, of New York, asking for an appropriation not to exceed $1,000.00 for the uses and purposes of the Joint Committee on Archives beg leave to report that they have considered the matter and offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That an appropriation not exceeding $1,000.00 be made for the uses and purposes of the Joint Committee on Archives and that the Treasurer be instructed to pay the same.

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

The Rev. Dr. Dudley presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Home and Family Life, and the first resolution attached thereto was referred to the Joint Commission to Study the Whole Problem of Divorce, Its Conditions and Causes, and the second resolution was adopted:

Your Commission begs leave to report that it organized by the election of the Bishop of Sacramento, as chairman and the Rev. George F. Dudley, D.D., Secretary. This Commission has considered the resolution of Mr. Overson of North Dakota, which is as follows:

Whereas, In most of the states of the Union there are no adequate laws regulating the marriage of those who by reason of physical or mental disease are unfit for the marital relations; and
WHEREAS, There is a close relation between divorce and our ill-advised and variously administered marriage laws; and
WHEREAS, Many hasty and runaway marriages would be prevented by adequate marriage laws; and
WHEREAS, Much attention has been given to defects in our divorce laws and very little attention given to laws regulating marriage; and
WHEREAS, The marriage of physically or mentally defective persons frequently results in the birth of children mentally or physically defective, tending to the increase of suffering, misery and crime, much of which would be prevented if the marriage of such persons were not allowed by law, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Church urges upon Federal and State authorities the enactment of laws for the regulation of the marriage of those who are physically or mentally defective and urges upon its Clergy and Laity their co-operation in securing the enactment and enforcement of adequate laws regulating the marriage of such defectives; and be it further

Resolved, That each member of the House of Deputies and each Bishop of this Church be requested to communicate with the Governors of their respective States having no adequate laws on this subject and to the members of State Legislatures of the States in which they live, suggesting to such officials the desirability of the passage of such laws:

We recommend the adoption by this Convention of the first resolution. The Commission has considered the second resolution, deem the same unwise and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

WHEREAS, The subject to be taken under consideration by this Joint Commission on Home and Family Life, are for the most part subject matter which is considered in other Joint Commissions, such as:
The Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce and the Joint Commission on Social Service; and
WHEREAS, No provision has been made for the expenses necessary to the proper carrying on of this work and the members of this Commission do not feel justified in attempting to raise through private subscription the funds needed for the carrying on of the work largely overlapping that of these other Joint Commissions; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Commission be discontinued.

George F. Dudley, Secretary,

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 134.]

The Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the National Council be asked to make some appropriation from the Good Friday Offerings to work among the Jews under Mr. Schapiro's direction.

The Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, Cordial and enlightened co-operation between Church and Press is an important factor in the advancement of Christian civilization, and
WHEREAS, The public press in its reports on the proceedings of the General Convention has not only given generously of its space but has also both in tone and substance intelligently reflected the spirit and actions of this Convention, thus emphasizing a gratifying increase of sympathy and understanding between the Church and the Press, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we express our hearty appreciation to the publishers, editors and reportorial representatives of the Washington newspapers, the Associated Press, the United Press, the International News, the Universal Service and all the other newspapers and press organizations which have been represented and to the Publicity Department of the National Council for the valuable services rendered to the whole Church.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 139.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 128. Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 18, Sec. VII., be amended by the insertion of a new clause to become [viii.] as follows:

[viii.] A Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction with the consent of the House of Bishops, may; at the discretion of the Bishop of the Diocese (or Missionary District) in which he chooses to reside, be enrolled among the Clergy of that Diocese (or Missionary District), being transferred thereto from his former Diocese, and becoming subject to its Canons and regulations; and if he accept any pastoral charge or ministerial appointment within the Diocese (or Missionary District) he may be accorded a seat and vote in the Diocesan Convention (or Convocation) according to its canonical provisions for the qualifications of Presbyters. The same shall apply to a resigned Bishop who continues to serve within the jurisdiction in which he formerly served as Bishop.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 129. Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 72, concerning the publishing of A Book of Service Music.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 130. Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission
on Permanent Location of National Headquarters be continued and authorized to report to the next General Convention.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 138.]

MESSAGE No. 131. Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 69, with the following amendments:

Under Section VIII, change (5) to read as follows:

(5) to adopt a budget for the maintenance of any Provincial work undertaken by the Synod, such budget to be raised in such manner as the Synod may determine.

Under Nomination of Missionary Bishops by the Synod of a Province:

Amend Canon 14, Section II., by inserting after clause [i.] a new clause to be numbered [ii.]

Strike out in lines 10, 11 and 12 the words "present the nomination to the House before it proceeds to an election," and insert in place of them "three weeks before the meeting of the House of Bishops communicate the same to the Bishops along with other nominations that have been made in accordance with the Rules of Order of the House."

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 132. Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 94, instructing Committee on Arrangements for the next General Convention to reserve the use of the Hall of the House of Deputies at night after the tenth day of the session.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 133. Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention urges upon all institutions of learning having military training and especially upon Church Schools, the importance of emphasis upon the methods now open for the peaceful adjustment of international difficulties.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

MESSAGE No. 134. Twelfth day of Session, October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention, conscious of the heavy responsibility which rests upon the fol-
lowers of Christ in furthering the cause of peace, and a law-governed world, reaffirms the substance of the resolutions adopted by the General Convention of 1925.

With that Convention, we reaffirm the conviction that the world must adopt a peace system. We assert our solemn judgment that warfare as an instrument of national policy, or as a means of settling disputes between nations should be renounced. Such warfare, undertaken to further national policy and without recourse to judicial arbitration or other means of peaceful settlement, is a crime on the part of a nation, and so to be held by followers of Christ, who has commanded us to make disciples not enemies, of the peoples of the world.

We thank God and take courage at the steady increase of effort to find and make universal peaceful methods dealing with international differences; we rejoice in the growing influence of the International Court of Justice and League of Nations and heartily sympathize with the efforts looking to disarmament and security treaties. We commend with unqualified approval the effort of our own Government to achieve the outlawry of war and noting the epoch-making significance of the proposals now awaiting ratification, pray God for its success. We believe these treaties to be steps in the realization of the hopes of the nations for a permanent peace and pledge our best endeavors and constant prayers to this end.

Attest:  CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 137.]

MESSAGE No. 135.

Twelfth day of Session, 
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following Bishops be elected as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary to serve until 1934:

The Bishop of Indianapolis, the Bishop of Rhode Island, the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York and the Bishop of Long Island.

Attest:  CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message, and the Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot for the gentlemen named, which he did, and the President declared them elected.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 142.]

MESSAGE No. 136.

Twelfth day of Session, 
October 23, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Form of Parochial Report for 1928, submitted by the Board of Church Finance, be approved and that a syllabus explaining the correct use of it accompany each report.
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on Parochial Reports be discharged.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 136.]

To the Presiding Officer of the House of Deputies:

IT IS HEREBY CERTIFIED

That, The House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in General Convention assembled in the City of Washington and District of Columbia did, on the 24th day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, in conformity with Canon 14, Sec. II., [i.], make choice of the Reverend Thomas Jenkins to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Nevada.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Bishop Presiding.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary of the House of Bishops.

The above Certificate was referred to the Committee on Consecration of Bishops.

No. 2 being taken from the Calendar, the Report of the World Conference on Faith and Order and Message No. 38 of the House of Bishops, the House concurred in the above numbered Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 140.]

The Rev. Mr. Sprouse of Texas presented the following resolution which was received standing, and which was adopted unanimously:

Resolved, That whereas word has been received of the death of the Rt. Rev. George Herbert Kinsolving, Bishop of Texas, this House yields high praise and humble thanks to Almighty God for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in this His servant during his long and useful life.

Resolved, further, That this House hereby expresses to the Rev. Ovid Kinsolving, his son, to the Rt. Rev. Lucian Kinsolving, a Bishop in this Church, and the Rev. Dr. Arthur B. Kinsolving, a member of this House, and to Lee Kinsolving, brothers of the deceased Bishop, and to the other members of his family our sincere and deep sympathy in this their great sorrow.

The Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago asked for reconsideration of our concurrence with House of Bishops Message No. 67 on the retiring allowance of Missionary Bishops. The action was reconsidered by vote of 225 in favor of reconsideration and 59 against.

The Rev. Dr. Silver of New York moved that we concur with the House of Bishops Message No. 67 with the following amendment:

To strike out all of the words after the word "retirement."

The House concurred in the above Message as amended.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 135.]
No. 12 being taken from the Calendar, the Report of the Board of Church Finance was presented by Mr. Tully of Long Island. Mr. Sayre of the American Churches in Europe moved that the resolution on page eight referring to insurance be stricken from the Report, which was adopted.

Mr. Parker of Massachusetts moved that the Report be received as amended above and placed on file, which was adopted.

No. 32 being taken from the Calendar, the majority and minority reports of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution on Report No. 5. The Rev. Dr. Powell spoke in favor of the minority report and the resolution contained therein. Mr. Morehouse offered as a substitute the resolution contained in the majority report. A vote was taken, and the resolution contained in the minority report was adopted, 155 for and 105 against, whereupon the report was adopted with the foregoing amendment.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 141.]

The President announced the appointment of the following Committee:

Committee on Evangelism:
Rev. Dr. Davidson of Los Angeles, Rev. Mr. Sherrill of Massachusetts, Rev. Dr. Owens of Erie, Rev. Mr. Hobson of Western Massachusetts, Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago, Rev. Mr. Dagwell of Colorado, Rev. Dr. Milton of East Carolina; Messrs. Pelham of Chicago, Wyckoff of California, Rogers of Maine, Nash of North Carolina, Gregg of Minnesota, Peterkin of West Virginia, Dr. Bowen of Washington.

The House stood adjourned at 1:30 P.M.

FOURTEENTH DAY
CONTINENTAL HALL, THURSDAY, October 25, 1928.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said.

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:
Rev. Mr. Moore of Chicago, Rev. Mr. Robertson of Erie, Mr. Ramsey of Ohio.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, the House went into Executive Session to consider the report of the Committee on the Conse-
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eration of Bishops. The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of that Committee presented Report No. 7, which was adopted:

Report No. 7. The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops to which was referred the Certificate of the House of Bishops announcing that they had elected the Rev. Dr. Thomas Jenkins of Oregon to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Nevada after full consideration of the subject and with a deep sense of the responsibility involved in such action, adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies give its consent to the Consecration of the Rev. Thomas Jenkins, D.D., to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Nevada.

R. Bowden Shepherd, Chairman,
Rosewell Page, Secretary.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 154.]

Mr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business moved that the Executive Session be closed, and the House went into open session and took up the regular order of business.

Mr. Parker of Massachusetts presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That this House expresses to the Rt. Rev. James E. Freeman, D.D., Bishop of Washington, to the Clergy and Church people of the City of Washington, among whom are the President of this House and his gracious family, and especially to the Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements, Rear Admiral Carey T. Grayson, and to the General Secretary, Mr. Hugh T. Nelson, and to the citizens of this city generally, its deep and sincere gratitude for the hospitality, kindness and courtesy extended to its members and for the generous thoughtfulness and care in providing for the comfort and pleasure of all those attending this Convention.

The Minutes of the thirteenth day were read and approved.

The President announced the appointment of the following Committees:

Board of Church Finance

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 166.]

Commission on Flag and Seal
Mr. John Nicholas Brown of Rhode Island and Captain George M. Chandler, U. S. A., of the Philippine Islands, were added to the Commission.

Mr. Anderson asked that the Rev. Mr. Dagwell be given the privilege of presenting a resolution, which he did, and it was adopted as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the next General Convention, to be held in Denver, Colorado, in 1931, shall meet on the Wednesday after the second Sunday in September of that year.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 155.]
Mr. Page of Virginia and the Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania presented the following resolutions, both of which were adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered its President, Rev. Dr. Phillips, for his excellent service to the House of Deputies as its President; and the House desires to express its high appreciation of his promptness, fairness and skill in exercising the great office which he has so well filled.

Resolved, That this House of Clerical and Lay Deputies desires to express and record our appreciation of our Presiding Officer, Rev. ZeBarney T. Phillips, D.D., for his ability and courtesy in guiding our deliberations. His patience, his courtesy, his decisions on vexed questions, and above all, his spiritual guidance in our varied discussions, holding us constantly to the real purpose of all our deliberations—these merit our gratitude and praise, and we earnestly pray that as he has thus faithfully guided us, so his own life and work may be blessed by the guidance of the Master Whom we all are striving to serve.

Mr. Page of Virginia presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Committee on the Despatch of Business, and especially to the Honorable J. Randolph Anderson, for their valuable work in despatching the business of the House of Deputies, and this House desires to express its high appreciation of their services to it, and to put upon the record this evidence of the House's action.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 139. Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that, acting upon the unanimous Report of the Joint Conference Committee on Method of Electing a Presiding Bishop, the House of Bishops has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 17 be amended by introducing a new section to be numbered Section I. as follows:

"Before a Presiding Bishop is elected a Joint Nominating Committee consisting of eight Bishops (one from each province) together with four Clerical and four Lay members, of the House of Deputies (one member from each province) shall present to the House of Bishops the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop;"

And that the remaining sections of the Canon be renumbered accordingly.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 156.] Message No. 140, House of Bishops, Prayer Book Revision.
MESSAGE No. 141.  

Thirteenth day of Session,  
October 24, 1928.  

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:  

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Report of the Commission to Consider Canon for Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons with a view to clarifying and simplifying the same be referred back to the Commission with the request that it be printed and distributed at least three months before the meeting of the next General Convention.  

Attest:  

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.  

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.  

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 157.]  

MESSAGE No. 142.  

Thirteenth day of Session,  
October 24, 1928.  

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 119, concerning the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program, with the following amendments:  

In Resolution 4 insert in the third line after the word "Dioceses" the words "and Missionary Districts."  

Amend Resolution 14 to read as follows:  

"That a Joint Committee of twenty members of whom five shall be Bishops, five Presbyters, and ten Laymen be appointed, whose duty it shall be to consider in advance the Program and Budget about to be reported by the National Council to General Convention of 1931, the Committee to report such modification of the budget and its recommendations as they deem necessary after the submission of said budget to General Convention; the Bishops to be appointed by the Presiding Bishop, and the Presbyters and Laymen appointed by the President of the House of Deputies from among the Deputies-elect to the said Convention of 1931.  

In the event of a vacancy existing in the presidency of the House of Deputies, the Presiding Bishop shall appoint the Presbyters and Lay members of this Joint Committee."  

Attest:  

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.  

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.  

MESSAGE No. 143.  

Thirteenth day of Session,  
October 24, 1928.  

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:  

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen be appointed, to consider the status of Bishops Coadjutor and Suffragan Bishops with a view to suggesting such changes in the Constitution and Canons as would provide for one class of Assistant or Auxiliary Bishops, to take the place of both Coadjutors and Suffragans; and this House appoints as members of such Joint Committee on its part the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Pennsylvania and the Bishop of Washington.  

Attest:  

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
The House concurred in the foregoing Message, and the President appointed, as members, on the part of this House the following:

The Rev. Dr. Powell of California, the Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York, the Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago, and Messrs. Morehouse of Milwaukee, Beale of Massachusetts and Battle of Texas.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 161.]

MESSAGE No. 144. Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 71, to cancel Section 6 of Article II. of the Constitution and insert a new Section.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 145. Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 99, amending Article I., Section 4, paragraph 4, of the Constitution.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 146. Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 120, with the following amendment:

That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Bishops shall be $2,100 for the first year, and $600 for each succeeding year, until the next General Convention, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

MESSAGE No. 147. Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 122, appointing a Joint Committee to be known as the "Committee on the Adjustment of Quotas," and this House appoints as members of such Joint Committee on its part, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa and the Bishop of Massachusetts.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 148. Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 124, concerning custody of the Archives.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
MESSAGE No. 149.

Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 125, commending work of the American Bible Society.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 150.

Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 129, appropriating $1,000 for use of the Joint Committee on Archives.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 151.

Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 134, discontinuing Joint Commission on Home and Family Life.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 152.

Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 139, expressing hearty appreciation to the press.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 153.

Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 132, amending Section VI. of Canon 51.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 154.

Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 126:

WHEREAS, The Rt. Rev. Frederick Rogers Graves, D.D., has completed forty years of loyal and effective service as a Missionary of this Church in China, and

WHEREAS, Bishop Graves will celebrate on Wednesday, October 24th, his seventieth birthday, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention express to Bishop Graves the profound appreciation of the whole Church of his long and sacrificial and effective service, and assure him of the prayers of the Church that he may be granted many more years in which to give to the cause of Christ his wise and consecrated leadership.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
MESSAGE No. 155.  
Thirteenth day of Session,  
October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 135, recalling its Message No. 123 and concurring with House of Bishops Message No. 67, with amendment.

Attest:  
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 156.  
Thirteenth day of Session,  
October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention urges every Diocese and Missionary District to use its utmost effort to secure from its parishes and missions and from such other sources as may be available, pledges which shall equal the full quota for the Maintenance Budget to the end that no further reduction in missionary work be necessary.

Attest:  
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 158.]

MESSAGE No. 157.  
Thirteenth day of Session,  
October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 39 be amended by the addition of a new Section II. as follows:

II. If a minister comes under the class described in Sec. I., and the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District determines the best interests of the Church would not be served by presenting such minister for trial, the Bishop may transfer the minister by formal letters to the Presiding Bishop who shall keep an official file of such ministers until they return to active service and are re-transferred on their own request or on the request of their Bishop to their former Diocese or District, or are otherwise disposed of.

Attest:  
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 158.  
Thirteenth day of Session,  
October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 18, Section VII., new [viii.], last sentence be amended by adding "Provided that, the Bishop seeking to be counted among the Clergy of a Diocese and to sit in its Diocesan Convention is not at the same time exercising his right (under Article I., Section 2) to vote in the House of Bishops.

Attest:  
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.
MESSAGE No. 159.

Thirteenth day of Session,
October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 44, amending Canon 51, Section IV., concerning duties of the Recorder.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 160.

Thirteenth day of Session, October 24, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That

WHEREAS, Our present immigration and naturalization laws discriminate against oriental nations and are therefore not only a hindrance to our missionary work but also a barrier to good will between ourselves and these nations, therefore

Resolved, That in the judgment of this General Convention our immigration and naturalization laws should be so modified as to remove this discrimination.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

A vote being taken on the foregoing Message, to concur with the House of Bishops, a division was called, and the House did not concur by a vote of 76 for concurrence and 157 against.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 167.]

Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be given to Mr. George Randolph who has worked so diligently, and who has so efficiently cared for the arrangements in the House, and the Rev. E. Pinckney Wroth, our Official Messenger to the House of Bishops.

Mr. Anderson presented the following, which was adopted:

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution hereby appoints the Chairman, Rev. Herbert H. Powell, and the Secretary, Mr. A. S. Browne of Washington, to be the committee to certify to the changes in the Constitution ratified or proposed in this Convention.

HERBERT H. POWELL, Chairman.

Mr. Kearny of Louisiana presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That there be appointed a Joint Commission to be composed of three Bishops and three Presbyters and three Laymen, such Commission to consider and report to the National Council on the desirability of the formation of a National Organization of Laymen. If the Commission should recommend the creation of such an organization, and if in the opinion of the National Council it is deemed desirable that such organization be formed, the National Council is empowered to promulgate an outline of procedure to complete such organization.
The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Flint of Pittsburgh, the Rev. Dr. Brown of Maryland, the Rev. Mr. Atwater of Easton, and Messrs. Kearny of Louisiana, Dearing of Florida and Harbison of Lexington.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 162.]

MESSAGE No. 161. Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has not concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 121, also that it has not concurred with the resolution contained in its Message No. 123 and asks for a Committee of Conference on this matter and on the action of the House of Deputies in its concurrence with amendments with the House of Bishops in amending Canon 18, Section VII., [v.], and on the action of the House of Deputies in their action in the rejection of a new Section II. in Canon 39, and this House appoints as members of such Committee, on its part, the Bishop of Vermont and the Bishop of Colorado.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDIE, Secretary.

Mr. Anderson moved that the request of the House of Bishops be granted, and that the President appoint two members from this House on such Committee. The question was raised as to the possibility of doing this under our Rules of Order, and the President ruled that it was perfectly legitimate to grant the request, and the resolution was carried unanimously, and the President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. White of Ohio and Mr. Seymour of Long Island.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 160.]

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented Report No. 21, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 21. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a Message from the House of Bishops that it had adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 18, Section VII., be amended by the insertion of a new clause to become [viii.] as follows:

[viii.] A Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction with the consent of the House of Bishops, may, at the discretion of the Bishop of the Diocese (or Missionary District) in which he chooses to reside, be enrolled among the Clergy of that Diocese (or Missionary District), being transferred thereto from his former Diocese, and becoming subject to its Canons and regulations; and if he accept any pastoral charge or ministerial appointment within the Diocese (or Missionary District) he may be accorded a seat and vote in the Diocesan Convention (or Convocation) according to its canonical provisions for the qualification of Presbyters. The same shall apply to a resigned Bishop who continues to reside within the jurisdiction in which he formerly served as Bishop.
report that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the action of the House of Bishops reported in its Message No. 128.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 168.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 23, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 23. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a Message from the House of Bishops that it had concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 69 with the following amendments:

Under Canon 54, Section VIII., change (5) to read as follows:

(5) To adopt a budget for the maintenance of any Provincial work undertaken by the Synod, such budget to be raised in such manner as the Synod may determine.

Under Nomination of Missionary Bishops by the Synod of a Province amend Canon 14, Section II., by inserting after clause [i.] a new clause to be numbered [ii.].

Strike out in lines 10, 11 and 12 the words "present the nomination to the House before it proceeds to an election," and insert in place of them "three weeks before the meeting of the House of Bishops communicate the same to the Bishops along with other nominations that have been made in accordance with the Rules of Order of the House". Reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the action of the House of Bishops reported in its Message No. 131.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 164.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 24, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 24. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a Message from the House of Bishops informing the House of Deputies that it had adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 39 be amended by the addition of a new Section II. as follows:

II. If a minister comes under the class described in Sec. I. and the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District determines the best interests of the Church would not be served by presenting such minister for trial, the Bishop may transfer the minister by formal letters to the Presiding Bishop who shall keep an official file of such ministers until they return to active service and are re-transferred on their own request or on the request of their Bishop to their former Diocese or District, or are otherwise disposed of.

Reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the action of the House of Bishops as reported in its Message No. 157.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.
A division was called, and a vote being taken, there were 84 votes against concurring with the House of Bishops, and 115 in favor of concurring.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 165.]

The same gentleman of the same committee presented Report No. 25, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 25. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a Message from the House of Bishops informing the House of Deputies that it had passed the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 18, Section VII., new [viii.], last sentence be amended by adding "Provided that, the Bishop seeking to be counted among the Clergy of a Diocese and to sit in its Diocesan Convention is not at the same time exercising his right (under Article I., Section 2) to vote in the House of Bishops."

Report that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the action of the House of Bishops as reported in its Message No. 158.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 163.]

Mr. Mansfield of the Committee on Expenses presented Report No. 10, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 10. The Committee on Expenses, to which was referred Message No. 146 of the House of Bishops, in regard to the amendment of that House to Message No. 120 of this House, fixing the salary for the Secretary of the House of Bishops, beg leave to report that they have considered the matter and offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That we concur with the Message of the House of Bishops No. 146, with the following amendment: That the amendment of the House of Bishops proposed in their Message No. 146 be amended to read as follows:

That the salary of the Secretary of the House of Bishops shall be $1,500 for the first year and $300 for each succeeding year, until the next General Convention, and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

BURTON MANSFIELD, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 169.]

Mr. Nelson of Washington presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the members of this House express to the President General of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Mrs. Brousseou, and through her to the Daughters of the American Revolution, and to Mrs. Edith Irwin Hobart, Chairman of Buildings and Grounds, their thanks and hearty appreciation for the privilege of the use of this beautiful building for their meetings; also to Mr. Phillips, Manager of the building, and to his assistants for their courteous and efficient attention during the period of this Convention.

And that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mrs. Edith Irwin Hobart, Chairman, by the Secretary of this House.
Mr. Nelson of Washington presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention expresses its hearty thanks and appreciation to Mr. Frank S. Hight, Manager of the Willard Hotel, for his exceedingly generous assignment of the rooms in the Willard Hotel, the Ball Room for the assembly of the House of Bishops, the General Offices, the Post Office, the Press Room, the Automobile Room, for the period of the General Convention without charge, and for the many courtesies to the Convention, collectively and individually, during the period of their stay in the city of Washington.

And that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mr. Frank S. Hight, Manager, by the Secretary of the Convention.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 170.]

The report of the Committee on the State of the Church was received, and the Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York asked that this report be sent also to the House of Bishops, which was adopted.

No. 36 being taken from the Calendar, the Report of the Joint Commission on Christian Healing was received. (Appendix XVII.)

Mr. Anderson presented the following preambles and resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church has learned with gratification that the Trustees of the Near East Relief have undertaken an underwriting campaign to raise six million dollars for the liquidation of obligations and the conservation of results; and

WHEREAS, It is a special cause of gratification that the Near East Relief has in its final budget made provision for the conservation of the religious forces of the Near East through the strengthening of the ancient native Churches, and also that, having begun to minister to the neglected Assyrian Race, it has now made generous provision for their future welfare; be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we heartily endorse this final effort of the Near East Relief to discharge its duty, and urge both Clergy and Laity to respond generously and co-operate whole-heartedly, and be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this resolution is adopted with the understanding that, in consideration of such co-operation, irrespective of the outcome of the campaign, no phase of the program be neglected, and that adequate provision be made for the welfare of nations heretofore largely neglected, and that the supervision of this program as far as the co-operation of the Episcopal Church is concerned be referred to the National Council.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 171.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 162. Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con-
curred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 150, appointing a Joint Commission on the Relation of the Church to the Chung Hua Sheng King Hui and the Nippon Sei Kokwai, and this House appoints as members of such Joint Commission on its part, the Bishop of Indianapolis and the Bishop of Virginia.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 163.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 141, amending the second and third sentences of Article X. of the Constitution.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 164.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concluded its business except such as may be brought before it by Messages from the House of Deputies and has taken a recess until 12 o'clock.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 165.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 144, discharging the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

No. 39 being taken from the Calendar, Message No. 133 of the House of Bishops was laid on the table.

Mr. Robinson of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 11. Your Committee on Elections begs leave to report that the following Alternate Deputies are entitled to serve as Deputies to this Convention, namely: The Rev. Gerald G. Moore, of the Diocese of Chicago, in place of the Rev. Frederick C. Grant, D.D.; Mr. Russell K. Ramsey, of the Diocese of Ohio, in place of Mr. Samuel Mather; the Rev. Jas. M. Robertson, of the Diocese of Erie, in place of the Rev. E. J. Owen.

ALEX. GALT ROBINSON, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Silver of New York presented the following preambles and resolution from the representatives of the Press:

WHEREAS, The coincidence of a presidential election year, and the General Convention in Washington would ordinarily mitigate against the latter in the news columns of the metropolitan dailies; and

WHEREAS, The peculiar significance of incidents and legislation of a Church Convention were supplied in a particularly lucid and happy manner by the News Bureau of the National Department of Publicity; and

WHEREAS, Mr. William Hoster, with his associates of that Bureau, has
been untiring in his efforts to assist the news writers and at all times courteous and patient, therefore

Resolved, That we, the news writers covering this 49th General Convention, do hereby extend our thanks to said News Bureau, through Mr. Hoster, and respectfully request a deputy to present this instrument and expression of our gratitude to the General Convention with the further request that it be spread on its Minutes.

William H. Doherty, Associated Press,
W. A. Nichols, New York Mirror,
Nelson M. Shepard, Washington Evening Star,
Elizabeth E. Poe, Washington Post,
Vylla E. Wilson, Washington Post,
Corinne Rich, Universal Service,
John H. Burleson, Living Church,
Elizabeth Randolph Shirley, New York Times,
Alfred P. Reck, United Press,
Thomas R. Henry, Washington Star,
Amelia Muller, Baltimore Sun,
George Craig Stewart, Chicago Tribune,
T. H. Rich, Washington Herald,

The Secretary read letters from two of the Bishops who had received the resolutions passed by the House thanking them for the services they had rendered as members of the Joint Commission on the Enrichment and Revision of the Book of Common Prayer.

Mr. Seymour presented the Report of the Committee of Conference on Message No. 118 of the House of Bishops, and the resolutions contained therein were adopted:

CONFERENCE REPORT. Your Committee of Conference reports that it has met and considered the matters submitted to it and finds that the implied definition of a "communicant" in the proposed amendment to Canon 52, Section I., is a matter of too great importance, with its several implications to be considered on the last day of the session, and therefore we recommend the following:

Resolved, That this matter be left as unfinished business of this General Convention.

In regard to the other two Canons, the House of Bishops declined to recede from its position in regard to the Canon on Missionary Bishops unless the House of Deputies is willing to recede from its position on the status of Clergymen who have been absent for two years or more, and therefore submit the following:

Resolved, That this House concur in the amendment proposed by the House of Bishops in their Message No. 118, amending Canon 39 by the addition of a new Section II. (excepting for a change in the words "resident in" to the words "connected with" in the last line), so that it may read as follows:

"Sec. II. Whenever a Minister of this Church shall have been absent from the Diocese or Missionary District for a period of more than two years, and has failed to make the annual report so that his whereabouts are unknown, the Bishop may send the name of such Minister to the
Presiding Bishop of the Church, who shall keep a list of such ministers; but upon application of either the Bishop or the Minister himself, he shall be placed again upon the Diocesan list. While the Minister’s name remains upon the list of the Presiding Bishop he shall not be considered as canonically connected with the Diocese.

Provided, however, that the House of Bishops will concur with the House of Deputies in its request concerning Canon 18, Section VII., clause [v.], omitting all words following the word “retirement” in the last three lines, so that the clause may read:

[v.] In case of the acceptance of the resignation of a Missionary Bishop for cause of age or disability, he shall receive from the National Council a retiring allowance not less than one-half of his salary at the date of retirement.

ORIGEN S. SEYMOUR,
FRANCIS S. WHITE.

Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented:

REPORT No. 22. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a Report from the Joint Conference Committee on the Method of Electing a Presiding Bishop, proposing an amendment to Canon 17, as follows:

Amend Canon 17 by introducing a new section to be numbered Section I. as follows:

Before a Presiding Bishop is elected a Joint Nominating Committee consisting of eight Bishops (one from each province) together with four Clerical and four Lay members, of the House of Deputies (one member from each province) shall present to the House of Bishops the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop.

And that the remaining sections of the Canon be renumbered accordingly.

Reports that it has considered the same, approves the action of the Joint Conference Committee on the Method of Electing a Presiding Bishop, and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concurs with the action of the House of Bishops amending Canon 17, on the Method of Electing a Presiding Bishop, as reported in their Message No. 139.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

At this time the President spoke of the splendid work done by the Chairman of the Local Committee on Arrangements, Mr. Hugh T. Nelson, and called Mr. Nelson to the platform, and presented him to the House. Mr. Nelson responded with a short address.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 166. Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained
in its Message No. 155, that the next General Convention, to be held in Denver, Colorado, in 1931, shall meet on the Wednesday after the second Sunday in September of that year.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 167.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Vocation, Education and Distribution of the Ministry be discharged.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 173.]

Mr. Anderson presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops be advised that this House has completed all the business on its Calendar and requests to be informed whether the House of Bishops has any further communications to make to this House.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 174.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 168.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 145, appointing a continuing Liturgical Commission and repeats the announcement of the personnel of this House as contained in its Message 140.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 169.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 162, appointing a Commission to consider the desirability of forming a National Organization of Laymen.

The Presiding Bishop has appointed as members on the part of this House:

The Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia,
The Bishop of Erie and
The Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 170.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in its appointment of the Members of the Board of Church Finance as indicated in Message No. 166.

Attest:

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
MESSAGE No. 171.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con­curred with the House of Deputies in its Message No. 169, with amend­ment to House of Bishops' Message No. 146 therein specified.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 172.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con­curred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 170, expressing appreciation to Hotel Willard man­agement.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 173.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con­curred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolutions contained in its Message No. 171, relative to the work of the Near East Relief.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 174.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con­curred with the House of Deputies in the election of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary as recorded in its Message No. 143.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 175.

Fourteenth day of Session, October 25, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has com­pleted its business and is now ready to adjourn, and requests the House to meet in the Church of the Epiphany at 2:30 P.M.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House received the foregoing Message, and Mr. Anderson moved that the House of Bishops be notified that this House has concluded all business and is now ready to adjourn, sine die.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 175.]

The House adjourned without date to attend the closing service in the Church of the Epiphany. Prayers were said, the Pastoral Letter was read by the Bishop of California, and the Benediction was pronounced by the Presiding Bishop.

ZE BARNEY PHILLIPS, President.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
JOINT SESSIONS

FIRST DAY
WASHINGTON, D. C., October 12, 1928.

The House of Bishops and the House of Deputies convened in Joint Session at eleven o'clock A.M., agreeably to the provisions of Canon 61, Section VIII., the Presiding Bishop in the Chair, and members of the National Council and officers on the platform.

The Presiding Bishop opened the session with prayers. At his suggestion, the Rev. F. J. Clark was elected Secretary of the Joint Sessions.

The Bishop of New York presented to the Presiding Bishop a gavel with the following gracious words:

"I have the great honor of presenting you with this gavel in recognition of the aid you have given to that great humanitarian work in which we feel a special interest in view of our close relations with the Western Churches. This gavel comes to you, Sir, with the love and affection of all connected with that work and as the gift of the orphans cared for by Near East Relief and made by them in their Carpentershop at Nazareth opposite the traditional site of the Carpentershop of St. Joseph."

In accepting the gavel the Presiding Bishop said:

"Words fail to express my appreciation of this gift. I shall cherish it as one of the greatest possessions of my life. My determination is, and my prayer to God is, that it shall not be used in any way except in the Will of Him who is the Father of Orphans."

The Presiding Bishop presented his report as President of the National Council.

The Treasurer of the National Council, Lewis B. Franklin, D. C. L., then made his report for the last triennium.

Noonday prayers were said by the Presiding Bishop.

The Presiding Bishop read the following telegram:

North Bay, Ontario, October 11, 1928.
General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, Washington, D. C.
That the greetings of this Synod of the Province of Ontario be con-
On vote of the House, the following reply was sent:

Washington, D. C.,
October 12, 1928.

David Huron, Metropolitan,
Synod of the Province of Ontario,
North Bay, Ontario.

The General Convention of the Episcopal Church is deeply touched by the fraternal greetings of the Province of Ontario and would express its hope that both of our gatherings now in session may serve the high purpose of the Kingdom of God.

JOHN G. MURRAY,
Presiding Bishop,
ZE BARNEY T. PHILLIPS,
President, House of Deputies.

The Presiding Bishop then made a very comprehensive and telling address on St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokyo, and introduced Dr. R. B. Teusler, Director of the Hospital, who addressed the Joint Session.

The Presiding Bishop then called upon the Bishop of North Tokyo, the Rt. Rev. Dr. McKim, who emphasized the great need of St. Luke's International Hospital in Tokyo, and the hope that the Church would stand back of Dr. Teusler.

He was followed by the Hon. George Wharton Pepper.

AFTERNOON SESSION

The Presiding Bishop bade the House to prayer.

The Rev. Dr. Johnston of Washington presented the following resolution:

"Responding to the appeal made to this Joint Session by Dr. Rudolph B. Teusler on behalf of St. Luke's, Tokyo, this Convention desires to place on record its determination to attack at the earliest possible day, as a priority, the raising of $1,000,000, and to that end asks the Diocesan delegations here represented to give assurance that they will undertake to present the claims of St. Luke's to their duly constituted executive bodies, to create special committees, to prosecute Diocesan-wide campaigns in behalf of St. Luke's, and thus to meet the challenge of one of the most important and pressing present day needs."

The Bishop of Pennsylvania said that it was easy enough to pass resolutions which might not mean being followed up. This had been done before in the case of St. Luke's International Hospital. He asked that the vote on the Rev. Dr. Johnston's resolution be taken by the Joint Session standing to show that they
meant to back up their vote with real help to Dr. Teusler in rebuilding St. Luke's International Hospital.

The resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Block of Missouri presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

*WHEREAS,* By the standing vote just taken every member of this Convention has pledged himself to use his best endeavors to raise the amount necessary to complete the St. Luke's fund, therefore be it

*Resolved,* That there be prepared and sent to every member of this Convention all information and statistics which will be necessary to fully submit the merits and needs of the St. Luke's fund to our people.

The Bishop of New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved,* That this General Convention wholeheartedly endorses the whole project to raise $2,656,500 for St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokyo.

The Presiding Bishop called upon Dr. Franklin to take charge of the discussion of the reports given at the morning session, and in doing so Dr. Franklin propounded certain leading questions such as the method of determining the quota, sliding scale, et cetera.

At the conclusion of the discussion, Mr. Pepper of Pennsylvania presented the following resolution which was adopted by a rising vote:

*Resolved,* That the two Houses in Joint Session assembled have heard with profound gratitude of the great Thank Offering made by the women of the Auxiliary in addition to their corporate gift and take occasion to express to them the thanks of the Church for their splendid generosity and inspiring example.

The Joint Session stood adjourned at 5.00 P.M.

SECOND DAY

MONDAY, October 15, 1928.

The Joint Session met pursuant to adjournment at 11:00 A.M., the Presiding Bishop in the Chair. Prayers were said.

Dr. John W. Wood, Executive Secretary of the Department of Missions, presented the budget proposed for the Department and asked that the following might speak on the outlook:

Bishop Remington of Eastern Oregon—"How Fifteen Continental Missionary Districts Are Telling the Church's Message in the Home Field."

Bishop Fox of Montana—"The Importance of the Aided Diocese in the Church's Missionary Force."

Bishop Campbell of Liberia—"Reasons for Vigorous Work in Liberia."

Bishop Thomas of Southern Brazil—"Cementing Christian Friendships in Latin America."
Bishop Mosher of the Philippine Islands—"Church Outposts in the Pacific World."

Bishop Mosher spoke also in the absence of Bishop La Mothe on account of illness for Honolulu, the great Crossroads of the Pacific.

Bishop McKim of North Tokyo—"A Christian Japan the Key to Asia."

After the address by Bishop McKim, the Presiding Bishop called attention to the fact that this was the beginning of Bishop McKim's fiftieth year of service as Priest and Bishop of this Church in Japan.

Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That we, the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in joint session in the city of Washington on this 15th day of October in the year of our Lord 1928, extend our affectionate congratulations to the Rt. Rev. John McKim, D.D., Bishop of North Tokyo, upon the beginning at this time of his fiftieth year of service as Priest and Bishop of this Church in Japan.

We are grateful for his wise and self-denying service and for his splendid leadership and we thank God that He has given to Bishop McKim so many years of usefulness and devotion in the building up of the Church in that distant land. We devoutly trust that strength may be given to him to go on with his great task and that he may live to see the fulfillment of all those hopes and ideals for which he has so patiently and nobly labored.

Bishop Graves of Shanghai—"Why Carry On In China?"

The Rev. Dr. Abbott of Baltimore—"A Parish Priest Looks at the Department of Missions."

Mrs. Harper Sibley of Rochester—"The Women of the Church and the Budget of the Department of Missions."

Noonday prayers were said by the Presiding Bishop, at which time he remembered Bishop La Mothe in his illness.

On reassembling at 2:30, Miss Marion E. Macdonald of Buffalo, representing the National Federation of Episcopal Young People, brought a message from its first triennial conference held September 3, 1928, at Sewanee, Tennessee.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving moved that an invitation be given to the women on the outside to occupy the seats on the floor, and the motion was promptly carried.

The Rev. Dr. Osgood of Minnesota presented the following minute, which was adopted by a rising vote:

With grateful appreciation of the loyalty and self-denial, the idealism and the generosity of the boys and girls of our Church Schools the whole world round, which have been expressed in many ways but in particular in the special offerings of this Triennium, amounting to over $1,626,900;
And with whole-hearted admiration and affection kindled afresh by
the Birthday Thank Offering presented in the golden Alms Basin at the
service yesterday—an offering of over $32,000;
And with reverent comprehension of the faith of the children in the
mission of the Church and of the Christ implied also by the magnificent
total of the Lenten Offerings for the Triennium, the sum of over
$1,575,186;
We, the members of this General Convention in Joint Session of
the House of Bishops, the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies and
the Woman's Auxiliary, do hereby express our loving recognition of
the gifts made to the advance of the Church's cause by the members of
our Church Schools, and by a rising vote do affirm the same, requesting
the widest publishing of this our gratitude among the said Church
Schools and expressing to their members the hope that they will continue
with joy more and more perfectly to know the Christ and to make Him
known.

The following addresses were made on the work of the various
departments:
Department of Religious Education—
The Rev. John W. Suter, Executive Secretary,
The Rev. Dr. T. R. Ludlow,
The Rev. C. Leslie Glenn.
Woman's Auxiliary—
Miss Grace Lindley, Executive Secretary.

After Miss Lindley's address, the Rev. Dr. Johnston of Wash­
ington asked whether he understood correctly that the Woman's
Auxiliary is no longer an auxiliary simply to the Department of
Missions, but to the National Council in all of its Departments.
Miss Lindley replied that the Auxiliary had been auxiliary to the
National Council in all of its Departments since 1920.
American Church Institute for Negroes—
The Rev. Dr. Robert W. Patton.
Social Service—
The Rev. Charles N. Lathrop, Executive Secretary.
Department of Publicity—
The Rev. G. Warfield Hobbs.

The Rev. Dr. Davis reported for the following co-operating agencies,
showing what a vital factor these agencies are in the life of the Church:
Girls' Friendly Society,
Seaman's Church Institute of America,
Church Periodical Club,
Church Mission of Help,
Brotherhood of St. Andrew,
Daughters of the King,
Guild of St. Barnabas for Nurses.

The Report of the National Commission on Evangelism was
presented by Bishop Darst. On motion of the Rev. Dr. Milton,
the report was referred to both Houses of the General Conven­
tion.

At 5:00 P.M. the Joint Session stood adjourned.
MESSAGE OF THE NATIONAL FEDERATION OF EPISCOPAL YOUNG PEOPLE TO GENERAL CONVENTION

At the close of its first triennial conference at Sewanee, Tennessee, the National Federation of Episcopal Young People has prepared this Message to be submitted to the General Convention of the Church. In so doing the conference has been guided by two beliefs: first, a definite consciousness that the Church is looking with interest and concern upon its youth; and secondly, a conviction, humble in the extreme, that as a natural part of the Church's organization youth has a very real contribution to make to the corporate life of the Church. With these two factors in mind, and after careful and prayerful consideration, we beg to submit the following:

1. We feel the necessity of a Lay Crusade to follow up the Bishop's Crusade as a great witness to the American people. We suggest that such speeches as are made be from Laymen only, and that the compelling force of the movement be witnessing Laymen speaking out of their own convictions to others to show reason for the faith that is in them and to win others to Christ. We believe that in such a crusade rather than in mass meetings the Church has a great instrument of power in the small spiritual group that meets for prayer, intercession, and quiet meditation, striving to develop an intimate spiritual bond among its members. We feel that this method is true to New Testament practice, and from our limited experience are convinced that a new power would come from the Holy Spirit upon those who practice that vital fellowship. We are convinced that the time has come for the Lay membership of the Church to become more articulate, and we are endeavoring to make this a major aim of the Young People's movement.

2. We are convinced that the membership of the Church would increase its influence should it concern itself more unequivocally with those pressing issues of the day which are a part of the task of bringing in the Master's Kingdom. We long for a great expression for world peace and for Christian international relationships, an expression which will be great enough to overcome political prejudice. We dare to hope for an increased zeal, particularly on the part of Laymen, in working for a solution of the economic life of this country more in keeping with the mind of Christ. We bespeak the great power of the Church in a positive educational program in preparation for the building of Christian Homes as a basis for conduct in meeting one of youth's most dominant problems. We strive for a nation-wide renewal of the missionary motive in the Master's command, "Go ye."

3. We recognize the necessity for constant sympathetic contact with youth of our own Church, and we especially beg the Church's attention to the great interdiocesan organizations that colleges are. With alarm we realize that despite the life and promise of young people's organizations we have not succeeded in holding our colleges. This condition is so grave, and threatens the future of the Church in so obvious a way, that we feel it imperative to have especially trained consecrated workers in large college communities. We would also ask that only Clergymen who are interested in students and who have the peculiar requisites for this specialized work be appointed to college cures. We make the appeal in the belief that the college situation is of national rather than Diocesan or parochial concern. We present this Message in humility of mind and spirit but impelled by an increased awareness of the imperative quality of Christ's Commission, and a great willingness and desire to share the task and burden with you, whom we revere as teachers and leaders, and to whom we pledge our whole-hearted loyalty and devotion.
MISS LINDLEY'S ADDRESS

The Report of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council is too long for reading but has been distributed. We desire to call attention to three events or characteristics which have especially marked the past triennium: a great sorrow, much success, and some growing pains. The Woman's Auxiliary suffered a great loss in the death of Emily Tillotson, as truly successful as an educational leader as she was beautiful as a Christian disciple.

For forty-seven years from the date of its organization the Woman's Auxiliary was auxiliary to the Board of Missions, although many, probably the majority, of branches worked for parish and Diocesan undertakings as well as objects more technically auxiliary to the Board of Missions. The Triennial of 1919 voted unanimously to ask the National Council to make us auxiliary to the National Council which was done, so that while we have retained our auxiliary position all these fifty-six years, we made the important change from being auxiliary to the Board of Missions to that of auxiliary to the National Council and thereby auxiliary to all its departments.

It is guided in all its work by the policies of the Council to which it is auxiliary; its head is the President of the National Council, to which it is auxiliary; its executive officer is an executive Secretary appointed by the Presiding Bishop. Since 1919, nominations for this office have been presented to the Presiding Bishop at each Triennial. There is an Executive Board, half of which is elected by the Provincial Auxiliaries, and half by the Triennial, to help that Executive Secretary in her work. The organization in parishes may be a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of any number of women, most ideally, of course, of every woman in the parish, or the work may be done through the parish guild, or through the parish organized for service; in all cases the work of the women should be reported through the Woman's Auxiliary Diocesan branch to the Woman's Auxiliary secretaries at the Church Missions House, except, of course, such work as is properly reported through specific organizations.

Some of the members of the Auxiliary have feared that the enlargement of work voted for in 1919 might interfere with that more strictly labelled "Missionary Service" and to allay such fears the National Council adopted a report on the status of the Woman's Auxiliary, prepared by a committee under the chairmanship of that friend of the Auxiliary, the Bishop of South Dakota.

Beside such statements, reports of the really great increase of work done would seem to indicate that any fears of lessening missionary interest and gifts are groundless. More educational work along all lines, more parishes reached, more women enlisted and more money given, are reported from almost all branches, so that during the past triennial, counting the United Thank Offering and supply work as well as money given for the quotas and specials, gifts have amounted to $3,219,267.57.

The Triennial Meeting was organized last Wednesday under Miss Elizabeth Matthews of Southern Ohio as Presiding Officer with 450 delegates from 107 Diocesan branches and visitors from England and fraternal delegates from the Woman's Missionary Service League of the Chinese Church, thus marking the fact that one of our sister Churches has come to the time when it has its own independent organization for women's work.

We have no desire to boast, but we believe that the Auxiliary has never faced a more wonderful future than it does now and we are con-
fident that the United Thank Offering of 1931 and the corporate gift, however it is given, will be much greater than those of today and that it is possible for the Auxiliary to win thousands of women members of the Church to a renewed dedication to our Lord Christ which shall be shown by their service in helping to make our own country more Christian; in educating through their own ranks and among the children of the Church and so accomplishing things undreamed of at present for the mission of the Church.

THIRD DAY
CONTINENTAL HALL, MONDAY, October 22, 1928.

The Joint Session met at 2:30 P.M., the Presiding Bishop in the Chair, who opened the session with prayers.

The following agenda was observed:
1. Joint Commission on World Conference on Faith and Order.
   Addresses were made by
   The Bishop of New York,
   The Bishop of California,
   Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee,
   Mr. Zabriskie of New York,
   The Rev. Dr. Stewart of Chicago.

   At the close of the discussion, the Bishop of Delaware presented the following resolution which was adopted by a rising vote:

   As we enter upon the second triennium of the present Presiding Bishop, the first to be elected to that office and as President of the National Council of the American Church, the members of the House of Bishops and House of Deputies in Joint Session of this General Convention, together with the delegates of the Woman's Auxiliary, desire to thank the Heavenly Father that the Rt. Rev. John Gardner Murray, D.D., called to this position of great trust and high responsibility, has been spared in health and strength for this work; to express our affection for him, our satisfaction for the love and loyalty he has won from the whole Church; and to give him the assurance of our prayers that God may bless him abundantly as he continues to meet the exacting and difficult tasks this Church has laid upon him. Therefore be it

   Resolved, That we pledge him our support anew as together we all seek to realize the hopes expressed and plans formulated in this Convention for the edification of Christ's Church on earth and the greater glory of God.

   Then the Program was continued.
2. The Place of Young People in the Spiritual Life of the Church.
   Addresses were made by
   The Rev. Dr. Sill of Connecticut,
   The Rev. C. Leslie Glenn of New York,
   The Rev. Charles E. McAllister of Newark.

3. Evangelism.
   Addresses were made by
   Captain Mountford of the Church Army,
The Rev. Samuel Shoemaker of New York,
Mr. Poynter of New York,
The Bishop of New Hampshire,
Mr. S. S. Nash of North Carolina.
The Rev. Mr. Hobbs of New York.

The discussion was closed by the Bishop of Washington, who presented the following communication from the Woman's Auxiliary, and the resolutions attached thereto were read:

To the Rt. Rev. John G. Murray, D.D.
Dear Bishop Murray:
The Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council respectfully submits the following Report on Personal Religion and Evangelism to the Joint Session of General Convention.

"WHEREAS, The Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council has felt very keenly the need for a deeper spiritual life and renewed consecration to our Lord Jesus Christ on the part of the women of the Church, and has expressed the same through the Message of 1925, and

"WHEREAS, We have experienced through the Bishop's Crusade the need of a more public and private witness for Christ in the life of today, and have had a real part in the preparation and carrying forward of the Crusade, and

"WHEREAS, The National Commission on Evangelism is urging the Church through all its various agencies to incorporate personal evangelism in the regular life of the Church,

"We believe that the time has come when, realizing fully our corporate strength and fresh power engendered by these precious experiences of the past triennium, we must set forth, as individual members of the Auxiliary and the Church, the Body of Christ, on the next steps in our task of winning the world for Christ. Looking out on this world from our own homes to the uttermost parts, we find that the crux of the whole matter lies in ourselves, that the challenge comes to each and every one of us, for we are the interpreters of Christ to our generation. Therefore, we believe that the first step should be that we continue to deepen our personal religious lives until we are steeped in the spirit of Our Lord and Master and the practice of the presence of God becomes a necessity. And that we help others in their quest for a more complete life.

"We find that personal evangelism is an attempt to render this help through the process of friendship, and

"WHEREAS, We believe that personal evangelism cannot be carried out through set programs or meetings, alone, we offer, in all humility, the following suggestions as aids in our undertaking.

"The ministry of books—the reading and re-reading of the many simple books which have been the help and strength of others, and the wise and judicious recommending and lending of these to friends.

"The ministry of prayer—the keeping of a quiet time with Christ—at the beginning of each day—talking with God in our own words and listening to Him—the use of the Prayer Book, the Prayer Quarterly and the many beautiful prayers written for special occasions and persons and the asking of others to join us in prayer, separately or in small groups at certain times and for special purposes.

"The ministry of the spoken word—believing that a few words filled with the gentleness of Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit, passed
on from one rekindled soul to another, would mean the whole gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ spread anew over the whole land.

"The ministry of the Holy Communion—more frequent communion with special prayers or a few chosen companions, renewed consecration of ourselves, our souls and bodies, and a ready submission to the will of Christ.

"The ministry of example—that through that which Christ has wrought in us others may see and believe.

"I have called you friends; for all things that I heard from my Father I have made known unto you. Ye did not choose me, but I chose you, and appointed you, that ye should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide.' Therefore be it

"Resolved, That we, each and every one of us, return to our several Dioceses from this meeting praying that all hesitation in witnessing for Christ may be taken from our hearts, with a fervent desire to share Him with others and a sincere purpose to carry out the same. Be it further

"Resolved, That we endorse the program of the National Commission on Evangelism, as set forth in various reports, meetings and classes during this Convention and through the bulletins published by the same, and that the Woman's Auxiliary send a Memorial to the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies promising the support of the Auxiliary in the carrying out of such a program and urging upon the Convention that the Church go out during this new triennium with fresh determination to win souls for Christ. Be it still further

"Resolved, That we express our appreciation of the work of the Church Army."

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH MATTHEWS, Presiding Officer.
GRACE LINDLEY, Executive Secretary.

The Bishop of East Carolina made an address, after which he called upon Mr. Pepper of Pennsylvania, who presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, There is in this Convention an evident sense of the need of a determined endeavor on the part of the Church to fulfill her mission through the preaching and practice of the Gospel, and

WHEREAS, This need is further evidenced by the Memorials to this Convention from the Young People's Societies, the Daughters of the King, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and the Woman's Auxiliary; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Joint Session of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies express its profound conviction that personal allegiance and witness to Jesus Christ is the vital matter in the life of the Church today and commends to the Church the program of the National Commission on Evangelism and urges upon the whole membership of the Church, both Clerical and Lay, their utmost effort to realize this program in its essential principle.

The Blessing was given by the Presiding Bishop, and the Joint Session stood adjourned at 5:15 P.M.
SUPPLEMENTARY JOURNAL
RELATING TO PRAYER BOOK REVISION

The proceedings of the two Houses of the General Convention on the Revision of the Prayer Book are printed in a Supplementary Journal in accordance with the following joint resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in the printing of the Journal of this General Convention, the Secretaries of the two Houses be and they are hereby directed to segregate the record of all action relating to the Revision of the Book of Common Prayer, and to print it as a separate section of the Journal.

Adopted by the House of Deputies on the Fifth Day, October 15, 1928, and communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 16.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Concurred in by the House of Bishops on the Sixth Day of the Session, October 16, 1928, and communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 31.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

REVISION COMPLETED AT THIS CONVENTION
HOUSE OF BISHOPS

Second day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The Bishop of Massachusetts, for the Commission on Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer, presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section 1., Arrangement, pages 672 to 675 of the Journal of 1925, with the following resolution:

I. ARRANGEMENT

Resolved, That the following change be made in the arrangement of the Book of Common Prayer, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that it may be adopted by the next General Convention in accordance with the provisions of Article X. of the Constitution.*

The following items were on motion severally adopted, each by a constitutional majority:

(2), (3), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (14).

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 7.]

* The resolution is printed once for the sake of brevity, but is understood to be repeated before each item.
The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 27.

Seventh day of Session, October 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 7, ratifying the following changes adopted by the last General Convention in the Book of Common Prayer; viz:

I. Arrangement as shown in the last Journal, pages 672 to 675, (2), (3), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (14).

VIII. Holy Baptism, as shown in the last Journal, pages 688 to 693.

IX. Offices of Instruction as shown in the last Journal, pages 693 to 699.

X. The Order of Confirmation as shown in the last Journal, pages 699 and 700.

XII. Visitation of the Sick as shown in the last Journal, page 701.

XIII. The Communion of the Sick as shown in the last Journal, page 701.

XIV. A Penitential Office as shown in the last Journal, page 702.

XV. The Order for the Burial of the Dead as shown in the last Journal, page 702.

XVI. Consecration of a Church as shown in the last Journal, pages 702 and 703.

XVII. Institution of Ministers as shown in the last Journal, pages 703 and 704.

XVIII. Prayers to be used in Families as shown in the last Journal, pages 704 to 708.

Attest:

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.


On motion Section I. (1) was adopted by a constitutional majority.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 30.]

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 38.

Seventh day of Session, October 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 30, ratifying the following change adopted by the last General Convention in the Book of Common Prayer, viz:

Under I. Arrangement as shown in the last Journal page 672.

(1).

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
SUPPLEMENTARY JOURNAL

Eighth day of Session,
October 18, 1928.


On motion Section I. (4) was adopted by a constitutional majority.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 57.]

Fourteenth day of Session,
October 25, 1928.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 147.

Thirteenth day of Session,
October 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 57, ratifying the change adopted by the last General Convention, viz:

I. Arrangement, as shown in the last Journal on page 673.

Item (4).

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Eighth day of Session,
October 18, 1928.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the amendment adopted in 1925 under Section I. (15), relative to the omission of the Articles of Religion from the Book of Common Prayer, page 675 of the Journal of 1925.

On his motion action on Section I. (15) was indefinitely postponed by unanimous action of the House.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 61.]

Tenth day of Session,
October 20, 1928.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 67.

Ninth day of Session,
October 19, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in unanimously adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 61, recommending that action on subsection (15) of Section I. on page 675 of the Journal of 1925, concerning the omitting from the Book of Common Prayer the Articles of Religion, be indefinitely postponed.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
Second day of Session,  
OCTOBER 11, 1928.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 6.  
Second day of Session,  
OCTOBER 11, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following changes adopted by the last General Convention in the Book of Common Prayer be ratified; viz:

1. In Morning Prayer, as shown in the last Journal on pages 675 and 676.
2. In Evening Prayer, as shown in the last Journal on page 676.
3. In Prayers and Thanksgivings, as shown in the last Journal on page 676.
4. In The Litany, as shown in the last Journal on pages 676 and 677.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the House concurred, severally adopting by a constitutional majority the following numbered sections in the above Message, viz.:

II. Morning Prayer.
III. Evening Prayer.
IV. Prayers and Thanksgivings.
V. Litany, except Item (3) which was deferred.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 13.]

Fourth day of Session,  
OCTOBER 13, 1928.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the House concurred by a constitutional majority in the adoption of Section V. (3), page 676 of the last Journal, as contained in Message No. 6.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 16.]

Second day of Session,  
OCTOBER 11, 1928.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section VIII., Ministration of Holy Baptism, as shown in the last Journal, pages 688 to 693.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the change therein specified was adopted by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section IX., Offices of Instruction, pages 693 to
699 of the Journal of 1925, and it was adopted by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section X., The Order of Confirmation, page 700 of the Journal of 1925, and the same was adopted by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section XI., Matrimony, Item (2) only, page 700 of the Journal of 1925, and it was adopted by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section XII., Visitation of the Sick, page 700 of the Journal of 1925, and it was adopted by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section XIII., Communion of the Sick, page 701 of the Journal of 1925, and it was adopted by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section XIV., A Penitential Office, page 702 of the Journal of 1925, and it was adopted by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section XV., Burial of the Dead, page 702 of the Journal of 1925, and it was adopted by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section XVI., Consecration of a Church or Chapel, pages 702 and 703 of the Journal of 1925, and it was adopted by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section XVII., Institution of Ministers, pages 703 and 704 of the Journal of 1925, and it was adopted by a constitutional majority.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the change adopted in 1925 under Section XVIII., Prayers to be Used in Families, pages 704 to 708 of the Journal of 1925, and the same was adopted by a constitutional majority.

[All of the above, I., VIII., IX., X., XI., XII., XIII., XIV., XV., XVI., XVII. and XVIII. communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 7.]

Seventh day of Session,
October 17, 1928.

Message No. 27 was received from the House of Deputies concurring with this action. [See page 336, (under I.).]
Fourth day of Session, October 14, 1928.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 7.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change adopted by the last General Convention in the Book of Common Prayer be ratified; viz:

In the Order for The Holy Communion, all of the items as shown in the last Journal on pages 687 and 688, except items (5) and (6) on page 688.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the House concurred by a constitutional majority in the adoption of the change in VII., The Order for the Holy Communion, pages 687 and 688 of the last Journal, in items (1), (2), (3) and (7).

The House did not concur in item (4).

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 17.]

Eighth day of Session, October 18, 1928.

The Bishop of Vermont for the Committee of Conference made the following report on item (4) of VII., Holy Communion, in House of Deputies Message No. 7, which was adopted by a constitutional majority:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee of Conference of the House of Bishops met with the representatives of the other House, which asked for the Conference.

We considered carefully the difference between the two Houses in the Revision of the Prayer Book on the particular question of the insertion of a specific petition for the Departed in the Prayer for the Church in the service for the Holy Communion. Your representatives were deeply impressed with the overwhelming majority by which this clause was carried in the House of Deputies, and mindful of the fact that in the House of Bishops a majority of Bishops, though not a constitutional majority, voted for its insertion, we recommend that the House of Bishops concur with the House of Deputies in the insertion of the clause.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 64.]

Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:
Fifth day of Session,
OCTOBER 15, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change adopted by the last General Convention in the Book of Common Prayer be ratified, viz:

In the Collects, Epistles and Gospels, all of the items as shown in the last Journal on pages 677 to 687.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the House concurred by a constitutional majority in the adoption of the change in VI., Collects, Epistles and Gospels, pages 677 to 687 of the last Journal.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 19.]

Seventh day of Session,
OCTOBER 17, 1928.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

Message No. 26.

Seventh day of Session,
OCTOBER 17, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has ratified the change adopted by the last General Convention in the Book of Common Prayer; viz:

XI. Matrimony, as shown in the last Journal, page 700.

Item (2) only.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the House concurred by a constitutional majority in the adoption of the amendment contained therein.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 60.]

Tables of Lessons

Eighth day of Session,
OCTOBER 18, 1928.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the following resolution of the Commission on the Revision of the Lectionary was adopted by a constitutional majority:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the appended Table of Lessons for Sundays, Week-days, Holy-days and Special Occasions,
be adopted and printed in the Book of Common Prayer in place of the Tables of Lessons on pages ix. to xxiii. inclusive.

On motion of the Bishop of North Carolina the First Lessons of Morning and Evening Prayer for Good Friday were interchanged in the Lectionary as presented.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Lectionary be discharged.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 58.]


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 58, that Resolutions (1) and (3) contained in the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Lectionary, as amended in said Message.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Prayer Book Commission be authorized to prepare and cause to be published two Mission Prayer Books:

I

With sufficient parts of Morning and Evening Prayer and some Psalms and Hymns, with necessary parts of

Holy Communion
Baptism
Confirmation.

II

Morning and Evening Prayer and Hymns and Prayers.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission, in the preparation of these books, be authorized to make such changes in arrangement, in typographical form, and in simplification of rubrics, as they may deem helpful to people who are unfamiliar with the Book of Common Prayer.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 62.]

MESSAGE No. 149. Thirteenth Day of Session, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1928.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has not concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 62, authorizing the Prayer Book Commission to prepare two Mission Books.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
The Rev. Dr. Suter of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book presented the amendments to the Book of Common Prayer proposed at the Convention of 1925 made known by resolution thereof, and to be finally acted upon at the Convention of 1928.

See Amendments—Journal 1925, pp. 672 to 708.

II. MORNING PRAYER

After explanation of the items contained in this section the House adopted the change by a constitutional majority.

Adopted on a vote by Orders as follows:

Clerical—Aye, 72.
Lay—Aye, 70.

III. EVENING PRAYER

Adopted by a constitutional majority on a vote by Orders as follows:

Clerical—Aye, 72.
Lay—Aye, 70.

IV. PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Adopted by a constitutional majority on a vote by Orders as follows:

Clerical—Aye, 72.
Lay—Aye, 70.

V. THE LITANY

Adopted by a constitutional majority, except item (3):

Clerical—Aye, 72.
Lay—Aye, 69; No, 1.

Item (3) adopted by following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 54; No, 9; Divided, 2.
Lay—Aye, 50; No, 18; Divided, 1.

[The foregoing were communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 6.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 13. Second day of Session, October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained
in its Message No. 6, as to numbers II., III. and IV., ratifying changes in Morning Prayer, Evening Prayer, and Prayers and Thanksgivings.

Number V., The Litany, was concurred in with the exception of item (3), action upon which was postponed to a later date.

Attest:                          CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 16.                   Fourth day of Session,
                                    October 13, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 6, ratifying item (3) under Litany as shown in the last Journal on page 676.

Attest:                          CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

VII. THE ORDER FOR THE HOLY COMMUNION

The several sections were voted upon separately.

(1) Adopted by the following vote:
    Clerical—Aye, 60; No, 9; Divided, 2.
    Lay—Aye, 52; No, 12; Divided, 4.

(2) Adopted by the following vote:
    Clerical—Aye, 66.
    Lay—Aye, 61.

(3) Adopted by the following vote:
    Clerical—Aye, 70.
    Lay—Aye, 65; No, 1.

(4) Adopted by the following vote:
    Clerical—Aye, 55; No, 11; Divided, 6.
    Lay—Aye, 53; No, 11; Divided, 5.

(5) Was not adopted by the following vote:
    Clerical—Aye, 33; No, 25; Divided, 14.
    Lay—Aye, 28; No, 34; Divided, 6.

(6) Was not adopted by the following vote:
    Clerical—Aye, 30; No, 32; Divided, 10.
    Lay—Aye, 36; No, 25; Divided, 6.

(7) Adopted by the following vote:
    Clerical—Aye, 71; No, 1.
    Lay—Aye, 65.

[The foregoing were communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 7.]

MESSAGE No. 17.                   Fourth day of Session,
                                    October 13, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 7, ratifying change adopted by the last General Convention in the Order for the Holy Communion as shown on pages 687 and 688 of the last Journal, to wit:

Items (1), (2), (3) and (7).

It has not concurred in ratifying Item (4).

Attest:                          CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
SUPPLEMENTARY JOURNAL

MESSAGE No. 64. Eighth day of Session,
October 18, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that, acting
upon the recommendation of the Conference Committee, it has concurred
with the House of Deputies in ratifying the change in the Order For
the Holy Communion.

Item (4) page 688 of the last Journal.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

October 13, 1928.

VI. THE COLLECTS, EPISTLES, AND GOSPELS

Several Items were voted upon separately and adopted by
the following vote:

(15) Adopted by the following vote:
Clerical—Aye, 71; No, 1.
Lay—Aye, 69.

(40) Adopted by the following vote:
Clerical—Aye, 66; No, 5; Divided, 1.
Lay, 60; No, 6; Divided, 1.

(41) Adopted by the following vote:
Clerical—Aye, 57; No, 14.
Lay—Aye, 56; No, 10; Divided, 1.

All the rest as shown in the last Journal on pages 677 to 687. Adopted
by the following vote:
Clerical—Aye, 72.
Lay—Aye, 66.

[The foregoing were communicated to the House of Bishops
by Message No. 15.]

The following Message was received from the House of
Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 19. Sixth day of Session,
October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con­curred
with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained
in its Message No. 15, ratifying all of the changes adopted by the last
General Convention in the Collects, Epistles and Gospels as shown in the
last Journal on pages 677 to 687.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

October 16, 1928.

XI. MATRIMONY

The several sections were voted upon separately.

(1) Was not adopted by the following vote:
Clerical—Aye, 12; No, 57; Divided, 3.
Lay—Aye, 17; No, 52; Divided, 1.
Adopted by the following vote:
Clerical—Aye, 68; Divided, 1.
Lay—Aye, 66.

[The foregoing were communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 26.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 60.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
October 18, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 26, ratifying the following change adopted by the last General Convention in the Book of Common Prayer, viz:

Under Matrimony as shown in the last Journal, page 700, Item (2).

Attest:  
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 7.  
Second day of Session,  
October 11, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following changes adopted by the last General Convention in the Book of Common Prayer be ratified, viz:

I. Arrangement, as shown in the last Journal, pages 672 to 675, (2), (3), (7), (8), (9), (10), (11), (12), (14).

VIII. Holy Baptism, as shown in the last Journal, pages 688 to 693.

IX. Offices of Instruction as shown in the last Journal, pages 693 to 699.

X. The Order of Confirmation as shown in the last Journal, pages 699 and 700. Item (2) only.

XI. Matrimony, as shown in the last Journal, page 700. Item (2) only.

XII. Visitation of the Sick as shown in the last Journal, page 701.

XIII. The Communion of the Sick as shown in the last Journal, page 701.

XIV. A Penitential Office as shown in the last Journal, page 702.

XV. The Order for the Burial of the Dead as shown in the last Journal, page 702.

XVI. Consecration of a Church as shown in the last Journal, pages 702 and 703.

XVII. Institution of Ministers as shown in the last Journal, pages 703 and 704.

XVIII. Prayers to be used in Families as shown in the last Journal, pages 704 to 708.

Attest:  
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
The House first voted on items (9) and (10) of I., adopting them by the following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 64; No, 4; Divided, 4.
Lay—Aye, 58; No, 7; Divided, 2.

The remaining items of I., viz: (2), (3), (7), (8), (11), (12), (14), were adopted by the following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 72.
Lay—Aye, 66.

VIII. Holy Baptism, was adopted by the following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 69; No, 2; Divided, 1.
Lay—Aye, 63.

IX. Offices of Instruction were adopted by the following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 71.
Lay—Aye, 69.

X. The Order of Confirmation was adopted by the following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 61; No, 7; Divided, 3.
Lay—Aye, 59; No, 4; Divided, 1.

XII. Visitation of the Sick was adopted by the following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 58; No, 5; Divided, 5.
Lay—Aye, 47; No, 15; Divided, 2.

XIII, XIV., XV., XVI., XVII., and XVIII. were adopted by the following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 66; Divided, 1.
Lay—Aye, 61.

[The foregoing was communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 27.]

XI. Matrimony had been previously acted on, as communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 26.

October 17, 1928.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 30. Sixth day of Session, October 16, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following change adopted by the last General Convention in the Book of Common Prayer be ratified, viz:

Under I. Arrangement as shown in the last Journal, page 672, (1).

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message adopting I. (1.) by the following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 72.
Lay—Aye, 69.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 38.]
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 58.**

Eighth day of Session, October 18, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Resolutions (1) and (3) contained in the Report of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Lectionary to General Convention, 1928, be adopted, viz:

1. **Resolved,** the House of Deputies concurring, That the appended Tables of Lessons for Sundays, Week-days, Holy Days, and Special Occasions, be adopted with the following amendment:

- Interchange the first lessons in Morning and Evening Prayer for Good Friday, and print in the Book of Common Prayer in place of the Tables of Lessons on pages ix. to xxiii., inclusive.

3. **Resolved,** the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Lectionary be discharged.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message, adopting Resolutions (1) and (3) by the following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 71; No, 1.
Lay—Aye, 64.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 148.]

**MESSAGE No. 57.**

Eighth day of Session, October 18, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following change adopted by the last General Convention in the Book of Common Prayer be ratified, viz:

1. Arrangement, as shown in the last Journal, page 673. Item (4).

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message, adopting I. item (4) by the following vote:

Clerical—Aye, 66.
Lay—Aye, 61.

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

The Rev. Dr. Coupland of Louisiana presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book in the final editing of the Book and in correcting one of the errors pointed out on page 4 of the Fifth Report are earnestly requested to use the phrase,

"And now, O Father, we make bold to say;"

instead of the phrase

"And, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say;"
The Rev. Mr. Duffield of Long Island questioned whether the above resolution was in order, and the President made the following ruling:

RULING BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES ON THE FIFTH REPORT OF THE PRAYER BOOK COMMISSION

In a work of the magnitude and duration of the revision of the Prayer Book, now covering a period of some fifteen years, it was to be expected that errors and mistakes in typography, in grammar and in language might have occurred which, in the final editing of the book, would necessarily have to be corrected by or for the printer.

The General Convention of 1925 foresaw this, and provided for it by a resolution conferring upon the Joint Commission on Revision full authority "to edit the Standard Prayer Book and to correct typographical and other obvious errors." It was entirely competent for the General Convention to do this, and the action taken by it in this respect is in accord with usual and well recognized legal practice. An early precedent in an analogous case is the action of the Convention which framed the Constitution of the United States in appointing a Committee on Style and Arrangement which edited, arranged and perfected the language and form of the various resolutions and provisions which had been adopted, and thus gave to that great document the taste and finish in symmetry and phraseology which characterize it.

Acting under this general authority given by the last General Convention, the Joint Commission in their Fifth Report point out on page four of the report that they have found only three (3) "obvious errors" of any consequence, and how they have been edited and corrected. The action taken by the Joint Commission is action within the scope of the broad general authority given them, and this Convention cannot now legally impose limitations upon that authority.

The present resolution before the House, however, does not seek to limit the authority conferred, nor give instructions of a character to do so. On the contrary. The present resolution is based upon a recognition of the validity of the authority given, and is merely a request that in the final editing, the Commission use one form of phraseology in preference to another.

The Chair rules that it is competent for such a request to be made of the Joint Commission, and that the resolution now presented is in order.

The resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Coupland was then adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented Report No. 9, and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

Report No. 9. Your Committee on Canons, to which was referred a resolution submitted by Mr. O. S. Seymour, of the Diocese of Long Island, for an amendment to Canon 46, relating to the Standard Book of Common Prayer, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 46, Section 1., be amended so as to read as follows:

"Section I. The copy 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, the Form of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, and an Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, accepted by the General Convention of this Church, in the year of our Lord, 1928, and authenticated by the signatures of the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of General Convention, is hereby declared to be the Standard Book of Common Prayer of this Church."

W. M. D. Maxon, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 66.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 88.  Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 66, amending Canon 46, Section I., as to the Standard Book of Common Prayer accepted by the General Convention of this Church in the Year of our Lord 1928.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 61.  Eighth day of Session, October 18, 1928.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That action on sub-section (15) of Section I. on page 675 of the Journal of 1925 concerning the omitting from the Book of Common Prayer the Articles of Religion be indefinitely postponed.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message unanimously, and the following gentlemen seconded the motion to concur:

The Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio, the Rev. Father Sill of Connecticut, Mr. Page of Virginia, Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee, Mr. Henry of Iowa, Mr. MacGill of Southwestern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Hare of Iowa and the Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 67.] October 19, 1928.

The Rev. Dr. Suter presented the following resolutions, both of which were adopted, the first by a rising vote:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the copy of the Standard Prayer Book of 1892, as presented, revised by the action of General Conventions from 1913 to 1928, be and hereby is adopted as the text of the Standard Book of Common Prayer. Further
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Prayer Book be authorized and empowered to proceed with the printing of the same;

That the Commission be directed to supply to any who may desire to publish Prayer Books page proofs of the Standard Book as they appear;

That the Commission be authorized to prepare a list of institutions and individuals to whom copies of the Standard are to be sent, and make presentation of such copies in the name of the Church, when the same are published; and furthermore, that a sufficient number be printed to comply with the requirement of Canon 46, Section 4;

That the Commission be authorized, in conference with the donor, to print as many copies of the Standard Book as they may decide upon, to be distributed at such price as they may determine.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 68.]

MESSAGE No. 82. Tenth day of Session, October 20, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 68,

That the copy of the Standard Prayer Book of 1892, as presented, revised by the action of General Conventions from 1913 to 1928, be and hereby is adopted as the text of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.

That the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Prayer Book be authorized and empowered to proceed with the printing of the same;

That the Commission be directed to supply to any who may desire to publish Prayer Books page proofs of the Standard Book as they appear;

That the Commission be authorized to prepare a list of institutions and individuals to whom copies of the Standard are to be sent, and make presentation of such copies in the name of the Church, when the same are published; and furthermore, that a sufficient number be printed to comply with the requirement of Canon 46, Section 4;

That the Commission be authorized, in conference with the donor, to print as many copies of the Standard Book as they may decide upon, to be distributed at such price as they may determine.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 62. Eighth day of Session, October 18, 1928.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Prayer Book Commission be authorized to prepare and cause to be published two Mission Prayer Books:

I.

With sufficient parts of Morning and Evening Prayer and some Psalms and Hymns, with necessary parts of

Holy Communion
Baptism
Confirmation

II.

Morning and Evening Prayer and Hymns and Prayers.
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission, in the preparation of these books be authorized to make such changes in arrangement, in typographical form, and in simplification of rubrics, as they may deem helpful to people who are unfamiliar with the Book of Common Prayer.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House did not concur in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 149.]

October 25, 1928.

The Rev. Dr. Suter presented Message No. 140 from the House of Bishops, which had been referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book, and moved that the House concur with the House of Bishops.

MESSAGE No. 140.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That when the Standard Prayer Book of 1928 shall have been published, this Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer be discharged.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That there be appointed a Standing Liturgical Commission, consisting of eight Bishops, eight Presbyters and eight Laymen, to be appointed by the Chairmen of the two Houses, to which Commission may be referred, for preservation and study, all matters relating to the Book of Common Prayer, with the idea of developing and conserving for some possible future use, the liturgical experience and scholarship of the Church. Such Commission to have power to fill vacancies; and this House appoints as members of such Standing Liturgical Commission on its part, the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Bishop of California, Bishop Rhinelander, the Bishop of Western Massachusetts, Bishop N. S. Thomas, the Bishop of Montana, the Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina and the Bishop of Atlanta.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message and the President appointed as members on the part of this House: The Rev. Dr. Suter of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Gummey of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Robinson of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. St. George of Milwaukee, the Rev. Dr. Gates of New York, the Rev. Dr. Denslow of New York, the Rev. Dr. Addison of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Atwater of Long Island, Mr. Zabriskie of New York, Mr. Sturgis of Colorado, Mr. Bryan of Virginia, Mr. Minot of Massachusetts, Mr. Baldwin of New York, Mr. Anderson of Georgia, Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee, and Mr. Pepper of Pennsylvania.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 172.]
SPECIAL MEETING

OF THE

HOUSE OF BISHOPS

CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE,

NEW YORK CITY, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 1927.

This being the day and the place appointed for a Special Meeting of the House of Bishops, the Bishops assembled for a celebration of the Holy Communion at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine at ten o'clock in the morning. The Bishop of Maryland, Presiding Bishop, celebrated the Holy Communion, assisted in the service by the Bishop of Tennessee, who read the Epistle, the Bishop of Bethlehem who read the Gospel, by the Bishop of Virginia and the Bishop of New York.

In accordance with Rule XXVIII. the Bishop of Massachusetts made a brief meditation.

The Presiding Bishop announced the death since the last meeting of the House of the Right Reverend Edward William Osborne, D.D., some time Bishop of Springfield, on July 5, 1926, and bade the House to prayer, using the form prescribed in the Rules of Order before the Prayer for the Church Militant.

At the close of the service the House assembled in Synod Hall.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair, and called the House to order.

The Bishop of Virginia, Chairman of the House, occupied a seat beside the President.

The following was the call for the meeting as presented by the Secretary:

Pursuant to the provisions of Canon 14, Section VII. and of Rules of Order XXVII. and XXIX. of the General Rules of the House of Bishops, a Special Session of the House of Bishops is hereby called, to convene in New York City, on Wednesday, June 1, 1927. The opening service will be held in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, Amsterdam Avenue and 110th Street, at 10 a.m., and will be followed as soon thereafter as possible with the business meeting of the House, at Calvary Church, at Fourth Avenue and 21st Street.
The Purpose of the Call is:

I. To take action on the Resignation of the Right Reverend Dr. Theodore Payne Thurston, Bishop of the Missionary District of Oklahoma;

II. To elect, if it shall become necessary, a Bishop for the Missionary District of Oklahoma;

III. To take such action as may be rendered necessary by such election; and

IV. To transact any other business that may be lawfully prepared at a Special Session.

The Bishops are invited to send to the Secretary of the House any names of persons suggested for the anticipated vacancy.

Each Bishop is requested to return, as early as convenient, on the slip enclosed herein, to the Presiding Bishop, the statement whether he will be able to attend or no.

The Bishops will be vested for the opening service.

Reservations for Hotel accommodations may be secured by addressing Mr. William H. Barse, at the Hotel at 52 Gramercy Park, North.

JOHN G. MURRAY, 
Presiding Bishop.

The following supplemental notice given as required by Canon 18, Section VII. [i.], was read by the Secretary:

In accordance with the provisions of Canon 18, Section VII. [i], I do herewith give notice of the resignation of his jurisdiction by the Right Reverend, the Bishop of Massachusetts, communicated to me as follows:

April 30, 1927.

My dear Presiding Bishop:

Acting under Canon 18, Section VII. [i.], I herewith resign my jurisdiction by reason of age and respectfully ask you to present this resignation to the meeting of the House of Bishops on June 1.

I remain, Yours faithfully,

(Signed) WILLIAM LAWRENCE,
Bishop of the Diocese of Massachusetts.

This resignation will be presented for consideration and action by the House of Bishops at its Special Meeting in New York, N. Y., on June 1, 1927.

JOHN G. MURRAY, 
Presiding Bishop.

The Presiding Bishop bade the House to prayer, including the mid-day prayer for Missions.

The Roll of the House, certified by the Secretary, was presented.

The Roll was called, and it was found that 68 Members of the House, being a quorum, were present, to wit:

The Bishop of Bethlehem
Bishop of Southern Ohio
Bishop of Ohio

Bishop of Tennessee
Bishop of Massachusetts
Bishop of Vermont
Bishop of Lexington  
Bishop of Connecticut  
Bishop of Western North Carolina  
Bishop of Southern Brazil  
Bishop of Indianapolis  
Bishop of West Virginia  
Bishop of Quincy  
Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey  
Bishop of Harrisburg  
Bishop of Western Michigan  
Bishop of Milwaukee  
Bishop of Southern Virginia  
Bishop of Georgia  
Bishop of Wyoming  
Bishop of Maine  
Bishop of Maryland  
Suffragan Bishop of New York (Bishop Lloyd)  
Bishop of Western Nebraska  
Bishop of Rhode Island  
Bishop Atwood  
Bishop Rhinelander  
Bishop of Pennsylvania  
Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa  
Bishop of Minnesota  
Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio  
Bishop of Porto Rico  
Bishop DuMoulin  
Bishop of Virginia  
Bishop Jones  
Bishop of East Carolina  
Bishop of New Jersey  
Bishop of Michigan  
Bishop of Central New York  
Bishop Coadjutor of Newark  
Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut  
Bishop of South Dakota  
Bishop of Colorado  
Bishop Touret  
Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia  
Bishop Overs  
Bishop of Southwestern Virginia  
Bishop of Easton  
Bishop of Delaware  
Bishop of New York  
Bishop of Erie  
Bishop Coadjutor of Albany  
Bishop Coadjutor of Massachusetts  
Bishop of Haiti  
Bishop of Pittsburgh  
Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia  
Bishop Coadjutor of Bethlehem  
Bishop of Springfield  
Suffragan Bishop of Central New York  
Bishop of Florida  
Bishop of North Texas  
Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio  
Bishop Coadjutor of Northern Indiana  
Bishop Coadjutor of Milwaukee  
Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida  
Bishop of Long Island  
Bishop of Arizona  
Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland

The Bishop of Fond du Lac, the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop of South Carolina, and the Bishop of New Mexico, arrived later, and were counted present.

Of the ten Bishops consecrated since the last meeting, three were presented to the House, and welcomed by the Presiding Bishop, to wit:

The Right Reverend Ernest Milmore Stires, D.D., Bishop of Long Island, presented by the Bishop of Bethlehem.


The Right Reverend Edward Trail Helfenstein, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland, presented by the Bishop of Georgia.
The Presiding Bishop presented various communications as follows:

The resignations of the Bishop of Oklahoma, the Bishop of Massachusetts and the Bishop of Wyoming, which were referred to the Committee on Resignations.

The transfer of the care of the work in the Dominican Republic to the Bishop of Haiti, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions and the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The request of the Synod of Tohoku for the election of an American Missionary Bishop, which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

Requests for statements from the House as to conditions of the work in China and Mexico, which were referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The President announced that the Standing Committees of the General Convention of 1925, with the following changes, would serve as occasion required:

Committee on Nominations of Missionary Bishops:
- The Bishop of Central New York
- Bishop Atwood
- The Bishop of South Dakota
- The Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio

Committee on Resignations:
- The Bishop of Western Michigan
- The Bishop of West Virginia
- The Bishop of Michigan
- The Bishop of Newark

The Committee on the Despatch of Business was asked by the President to serve also as a Committee on Publicity.

The Bishop of Georgia, for the Committee on the Despatch of Business, reported the following schedule:

1:00 P.M. Recess
2:30 P.M. Business Session
5:00 P.M. Adjournment
Thursday, June 2, 1927
9:30 A.M. Holy Communion in Calvary Church, New York City, to be followed by the elections.

The House took recess until 2:30 P.M.

The House resumed its session after recess at 2:30 P.M.

The Bishop of Minnesota, for the Committee on Rules of Order, presented a substitute for Rule XXXIII. of the General Rules, as follows:

The House of Bishops, at each General Convention, shall elect a Committee of three Bishops who shall be prepared to present a Pastoral
Letter at the meeting of the General Convention following their appointment, in case the House considers it desirable to issue such a letter.

The substitute was recommitted to the Committee.

The Bishop of Vermont, having been requested by the Presiding Bishop for an opinion on the "Status of a resigned Bishop in a Diocese where he accepts a Cure," presented the following statement:

Several cases of this kind have arisen within the last year. I have been consulted (I suppose as Chairman of the Committee on Canons in the House of Bishops) by the parties interested—the retired Bishops and the Diocesans concerned—and by the presiding Bishop.

I promised the Presiding Bishop that I would draft, for presentation to the next General Convention, such amendments to the Canons as seem to be needed to regularize the matter, and would submit these beforehand for informal discussion in any Special Meeting of the House of Bishops, and to the Bishops of our Provincial Synod.

(a) Bishop DuMoulin accepting a parish in Philadelphia, (b) Bishop Rhinelander Canon of Washington Cathedral, (c) Bishop Restarick residing officially in Honolulu, and (d) Bishop Touret accepting a parish in Massachusetts.

There had been earlier cases of the same sort; Bishop Wells, formerly of Spokane, ministering in Olympia; Bishop Anson R. Graves, formerly of Western Nebraska, ministering in San Joaquin; Bishop Paul Jones, formerly of Utah, ministering in Maine.

The only cases in question here are of Bishops accepting Cures.

Each of these cases has its peculiar features. But to all of them certain principles seem to apply.

1. A person in Episcopal Orders accepting a Cure in a Diocese ought to be subject, like any other clergyman, to the jurisdiction of the Diocesan, and to Diocesan Canons and Rules.

2. For this he ought to be in some way transferred from his former Diocese to that in which he is now ministering. His name should be removed from the roll of the former Diocese and should be placed on that of his present Diocese.

3. He ought as clergyman of the Diocese to have his place and vote in the Diocesan Convention, according to its Canons.

(a) In the case of Bishop DuMoulin who had been Coadjutor of Ohio, Bishop Garland was exceedingly anxious not to go beyond his rights in accepting a transfer from Ohio; Bishop Leonard wished to be free from responsibility for his former Coadjutor when working elsewhere. The Presiding Bishop was consulted and approved a form of letters dimissory which was acceptable to Bishop Garland.

(b) Bishop Rhinelander had resigned the See of Pennsylvania; was living in Washington and accepted the position of a Canon of the Cathedral. It was desired that he should be canonically enrolled as belonging to the Diocese.

It hardly seemed right for his successor to transfer him, but it was agreed that Bishop Freeman should make a declaration to the Diocese that he had received and enrolled him among the clergy of Washington Diocese, and should notify Bishop Garland to this effect, so that there could be no lingering attachment to Pennsylvania.
(c) Bishop Restarick, the former Bishop of the Missionary District, is still living in Honolulu (after an absence of some time) and performs some ministrations with the knowledge and tacit sanction of the present Bishop. He felt that he ought to have some status in the District and appear officially at Convention.

It was recommended that the present Bishop (who was also anxious to have the situation regularized) should enroll Bishop Restarick among the clergy of the District.

(d) Bishop Touret, formerly of Idaho, is so far restored to health that he is able to undertake light pastoral work and has accepted a small parish in Massachusetts. It did not seem that his successor in Idaho, after a considerable interval, could transfer; but that since Missionary Bishops hold their position from the House of Bishops, the Presiding Bishop could give a letter of transfer and commendation to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

At the conclusion of the reading of this statement the Bishop of Vermont announced that he would present to the next General Convention an amendment to Canon 18, Section VII., to become [viii.], as follows:

(viii.) A Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction with the consent of the House of Bishops, may, at the discretion of the Bishop of the Diocese (or Missionary District) in which he chooses to reside, be enrolled among the clergy of that Diocese (or Missionary District), being transferred thereto from his former Diocese, and becoming subject to its Canons and regulations; and if he accepts any pastoral charge or ministerial appointment within the Diocese (or Missionary District) he may be accorded a seat and vote in the Convention (or Convocation) according to its canonical provisions for the qualifications of Presbyters.

The Bishop of Tennessee expressed the thanks of the House to the Bishop of Vermont and on his motion the Secretary was directed to have the above statement printed and mailed to all members of the House.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania offered the following as a Standing Resolution of the Rules of Order of the House, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Bishops of the Church who have resigned their jurisdiction with the consent of the House of Bishops, are welcome to seats, without vote, at all sessions and meetings of the House of Bishops.

The House went into Executive Session.

The Bishop of Western Michigan for the Committee on Resignations presented the following report:

The Committee on Resignations of Bishops respectfully reports as follows:

First they recommend that the resignation of the Rev. William Lawrence, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts, be accepted. This resignation has been presented on the ground of age, and there can be no other course open, except to advise the acceptance of this resignation.
Bishop Lawrence's services to the Church are so well known that no eulogy on our part is needed.

The House of Bishops will not only welcome at all times Bishop Lawrence, but will expect his counsel and advice which he has always so wisely given.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby accepts the resignation of the Right Reverend William Lawrence, D.D., as Bishop of Massachusetts.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

The Committee had before them the resignation of the Right Reverend Theodore Payne Thurston, D.D., Bishop of the Missionary District of Oklahoma. The reason given for the resignation was ill health; with it was attached the certificate of his physician stating it was necessary for Bishop Thurston to give up all work. The Committee recommends the resignation be accepted. Your Committee feels confident the House of Bishops will wish expressed the deep regret we all feel that such action is necessary and assure Bishop Thurston that he has the sympathy and prayers of his brethren.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby accepts the resignation of the Right Reverend Theodore Payne Thurston, D.D., Bishop of the Missionary District of Oklahoma.

The Committee on Resignations had before it the resignation of the Right Reverend Nathaniel Seymour Thomas, D.D., Bishop of the Missionary District of Wyoming. The Committee after conference with the Bishop of Wyoming unanimously recommends that the resignation be accepted.

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby accepts the resignation of the Right Reverend Nathaniel Seymour Thomas, D.D., as Bishop of the Missionary District of Wyoming.

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

On the suggestion of the Bishop of Georgia the House requested the Presiding Bishop to send a telegram of sympathy to the Bishop of Oklahoma.

The Bishop of South Dakota moved reference of the vacancy created by the resignation of the Bishop of Wyoming to the Committee on Domestic Missions, which was adopted:

The President declared the resignations of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Bishop of Oklahoma and the Bishop of Wyoming as complete, and directed the Secretary to make the proper changes in the Roll of the House.
The Bishop of Indianapolis for the Committee on Foreign Missions presented the following reports:

1. It recommends that acting on the request of the Bishops in Japan for the transfer of the Bishop of Kyoto to the District of Tohoku and the appointment of Bishop Reifsnider as the Acting Bishop of Kyoto be deferred until the next General Convention.

2. It recommends that jurisdiction in the Dominican Republic be assigned to the Bishop of Haiti.

3. Regarding conditions in China, the Committee feels that it is impossible at present to make any statement other than to record its conviction that there should be no thought of lessening our work in China when the way shall be opened for its full resumption and to express its gratitude to God for the splendid fidelity and bravery manifested by our Clergy and Lay Workers and by our native Christians. Your Committee has full faith that the Church's work in China will be continued with unabated zeal and increased efficiency if and when a stable Government shall be established.

4. The Committee recommends that this House record and express its high appreciation of the distinguished and effective service rendered by the Bishop of Mexico during the troubled conditions prevailing in that Republic.

5. The Committee expresses its opinion that, if the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Wei should desire to include Southern Kiangsi in the Diocese of Anking and should take the necessary canonical action to that effect, this House should accept the transfer of said territory from the authorities of the Church of England whenever such transfer shall be tendered.

Joseph M. Francis, Chairman
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The recommendation of the Committee on each subject was adopted.

Bishop Atwood for the Committee on Nominations presented the nominations for the Missionary District of Oklahoma, received through the Secretary of the House giving information on the same.

The Bishop of South Dakota for the Committee on Domestic Missions presented the following report which was adopted:

The House of Bishops, having accepted the resignation of the Right Reverend Nathaniel Seymour Thomas, D.D., as Bishop of Wyoming, your Committee recommends that the House proceed to elect a fit person to fill the vacancy thus created.

Hugh L. Burleson, Chairman.
Frank Hale Touret
Geo. A. Brecher

The Roll of the House was called in reverse order, and nominations were made for a Bishop for the Missionary District of Wyoming.
The Bishop of South Dakota presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That all nominations made before this House shall be regarded as applicable to either of the vacant jurisdictions.

The Bishop of Southern Ohio presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the sincere thanks of this House are hereby tendered to the Bishop of New York and Mrs. Manning for their gracious and timely hospitality today.

The House adjourned to Thursday morning at 9:30 o'clock in Calvary Church, New York City.

SECOND DAY
CALVARY CHURCH, NEW YORK, N. Y.
THURSDAY, JUNE 2, 1927.

The House assembled in Calvary Church at 9:30 o'clock in the morning of this day. The Right Reverend, the Bishop of Ohio, celebrated the Holy Communion, the Presiding Bishop reading the Epistle and the Bishop of Vermont the Gospel.

At the close of the service the House resumed its session and was called to order by the Presiding Bishop. The Chairman of the House occupied a seat beside the President.

The President asked for the names of any Members of the House present to-day but not present yesterday.

The Bishop of Newark and the Bishop of New Mexico answered and later the Bishop of South Carolina.

The Minutes of the previous day were read and approved.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland read a Lesson of Scripture.

The Bishop of Virginia, Chairman of the House, read the service to be used before the casting of the ballots.

The President appointed as Tellers the Bishop of Arizona and the Bishop of Long Island.

The Roll was called, the Bishops deposited their ballots and the Reverend Thomas Casady, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Nebraska, was found on the second ballot to have received a majority of the votes and was thereupon declared by the President to have been chosen as Bishop of the Missionary District
of Oklahoma, subject to the confirmation of the Standing Committees.

The President appointed the Bishop of Western Nebraska and the Bishop of Central New York as a Committee to notify the Bishop chosen.

The Bishop of South Dakota for the Committee on Domestic Missions stated the importance of filling the vacancy in Wyoming with a man of highly developed administrative ability.

The list of Nominees was read by the Secretary.

Bishop Atwood for the Committee on Nominations gave additional information in respect to the Nominees.

The Bishop of Arizona and the Bishop of Long Island acted again as Tellers.

The Bishops prepared their ballots.

The Roll was called and the Bishops cast their ballots for a Bishop for the Missionary District of Wyoming.

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved that during the counting of the ballots the Bishops sign the Testimonial for the Bishop-elect of Oklahoma, which was carried.

The Bishops signed this Testimonial.

Having cast their ballots the Reverend Horace Percy Silver, a Presbyter of the Diocese of New York, was found on the second ballot to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the President to have been chosen as Bishop of the Missionary District of Wyoming, subject to the confirmation of the Standing Committees.

The President appointed the Bishop of New Jersey and Bishop Lloyd as a Committee to notify the Bishop chosen.

The Bishops signed the testimonial.

Bishop Lawrence offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we, the Bishops assembled in New York, on the second day of June, express to the Bishops of Mississippi and Louisiana and Arkansas and through Tennessee to their clergy and people our deep sympathy with them in the disasters that have fallen upon them in the great flood.

We have full confidence that the people of the Church will, in addition to their gifts to all sufferers, make contribution towards the upbuilding of the work of the Churches.

The Bishop of Delaware offered the following Resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That in accepting the resignation of the Right Reverend Nathaniel Seymour Thomas, D.D., the House of Bishops desires to
express its regret that he finds it necessary to take this step and further to put on record its sincere thankfulness for the eighteen years of devoted service he has given to the Church in this field of the West.

The Bishop of East Carolina for the National Commission on Evangelism and the Bishops' Crusade, addressed the House on the subject of a survey of the Bishops' Crusade, and was followed by other Bishops.

The Bishop of South Carolina offered the following Resolution of thanks to Bishop Darst, which was adopted.

**Resolved,** That the House of Bishops desires to express to the Bishop of East Carolina its profound and grateful appreciation of his most valuable services, as Chairman of the National Commission on Evangelism. His deep spirit of Consecration, his spiritual vision, his loving personality, have contributed greatly to the success of the Bishops' Crusade. We express the hope that he will continue to serve the National Commission on Evangelism as its Chairman until the next General Convention when we hope steps will be taken to continue the Crusade and make the Commission on Evangelism a permanent and integral part of the Church's organization.

The Bishop of Michigan offered the following Resolution of thanks, which was adopted:

**Resolved,** That the House of Bishops express its hearty thanks to the Rector, Wardens and Vestry of Calvary Church for the use of this Church for this meeting.

The Minutes of the day were read.

The Presiding Bishop offered prayer and gave the Benedic­tion and the House at 1 P.M. adjourned *sine die.*

**JOHN G. MURRAY, Presiding Bishop.**

**CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.**
APPENDICES

APPENDIX I.

COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH

Your Committee on the State of the Church is indebted to Mr. Charles A. Tompkins, Assistant Treasurer of the National Council, for his report, and statistics therein included, gleaned from the Triennial Reports. These statistical records are apparently much more complete and therefore more reliable than those of the previous triennium.

VITAL STATISTICS

While these figures show a slight decrease in the number of Postulants and Candidates for Orders there has been an increase in the numbers of Deacons and Priests ordained. In addition, there has been an extraordinary increase of Lay Readers—something over thirteen hundred.

CHURCH BUILDINGS

During the triennium 147 churches have been consecrated, though, if the reports are reliable, there are 81 less missions and parishes. There has been a gain of 59 rectories and 401 parish houses.

PAROCHIAL STATISTICS

Under this head we find a comparatively slight decrease in the number of those baptized and confirmed. On the other hand, no doubt because of more accurate reports, we note an increase in baptized persons of 177,475 and in communicants of 44,916. The increase in Church School pupils is so slight as to be almost negligible.

FINANCIAL STATISTICS

Something over fifty-five million dollars was required to support our parishes the past three years, an increase of more than seven and one-half million dollars. Moreover, while the total receipts of the Church increased more than twenty-two million dollars, the receipts for General and Diocesan objects decreased nearly a million dollars.

ENDOWMENTS

The increase in the amount of Episcopal funds is constant and gratifying—even greater than during the previous triennium. The enormous increase reported in endowments for the support of parishes and institutions is due to a large extent, no doubt, to more accurate reports and counteracts the large decreases reported three years ago. The grand total of endowments is more than one hundred and fifty million dollars.

CHURCH PROPERTY

The enormous increase of more than $151,000,000 in our Church property is probably accounted for by two reasons, viz.: (1) because of
fuller and more accurate reports; (2) because of the natural increase in
property values generally.

The reports further indicate that our buildings with their furniture are
insured for nearly 45% of their value. While this is by no means as
large as it should be, it is more than double what it was reported to be
three years ago.

INSTITUTIONS

The various Church institutions lost according to the last report have
apparently all been recovered, due we feel sure to better bookkeeping.
The total increase in all kinds of institutions is 188.

The Committee herewith presents the summary for the past three
years.

This report would not be complete, and would lose an opportunity for
recording a real victory for the Church, if it did not include a state­
ment regarding the stability and faithfulness of the Chinese Church
through the months of violence and persecution which have accompanied
the present revolutionary movements of China. That Church is emerg­
ing triumphantly. It has not escaped loss, in life and property, but it is
not crippled nor disheartened, for it has proved that Our Lord keeps
His promise to be with His Church, and has learned that even the gates
of hell cannot prevail against it. The situation of the Chinese Church
now, as political and other conditions seem to be approaching nearer to a
state of sanity and reasonableness, and our Christian leaders are reopen­
ing much of the educational and medical work which were interrupted
last year, and are preparing to extend the evangelistic work, which in
most places never stopped, is, that the Church has come through the fiery
trial not unscathed but intact. Its Chinese leadership has remained firm,
its Clergy have ministered regularly and faithfully to the Christians
throughout the troubles of the past two years, and its members know
now by personal experience that God is true to His word, that He is "a
very present help in trouble," and that their faith in Him has not been
in vain.

For all this we record our sense of thankfulness to Almighty God, and
urge the Church in America to increase its sympathy and prayers, its
offerings of missionaries and gifts, to the vigorous and inspiring Church
in China which has shown itself a worthy member of our wide-spread
family of churches known as the Anglican Communion.

HOWARD W. DILLER, Chairman.
| 1. Alabama | 1,018 | 187 | 1,546 | 14,598 | 10,182 | 394 | 790 | 653 | 4,586 |
| 2. Albany | 2,861 | 722 | 3,730 | 35,346 | 27,394 | 1,879 | 2,015 | 1,072 | 7,686 |
| 3. Arkansas | 381 | 489 | 4,823 | 4,127 | 145 | 311 |
| 4. Atlanta | 270 | 140 | 1,183 | 9,658 | 7,447 | 253 | 486 | 436 | 3,652 |
| 5. Bethlehem | 1,037 | 246 | 2,093 | 25,245 | 17,813 | 755 | 1,489 | 802 | 7,023 |
| 6. California | 2,383 | 624 | 2,316 | 22,078 | 13,426 | 2,476 | 3,614 | 671 | 6,099 |
| 7. Central New York | 3,448 | 1,237 | 5,066 | 44,162 | 30,298 | 1,506 | 3,719 | 1,149 | 10,304 |
| 8. Chicago | 4,347 | 1,135 | 5,414 | 57,611 | 34,550 | 2,819 | 4,082 | 1,503 | 11,800 |
| 9. Colorado | 1,756 | 682 | 2,107 | 12,819 | 9,417 | 823 | 1,205 | 450 | 3,014 |
| 10. Connecticut | 5,871 | 1,097 | 6,504 | 79,752 | 54,560 | 2,722 | 6,179 | 2,168 | 17,223 |
| 11. Dallas | 548 | 155 | 899 | 9,000 | 6,338 | 250 | 482 | 327 | 2,516 |
| 12. Delaware | 523 | 50 | 608 | 9,493 | 4,773 | 216 | 591 | 294 | 2,950 |
| 13. Duluth | 735 | 155 | 1,005 | 6,457 | 4,345 | 355 | 513 | 227 | 1,753 |
| 14. East Carolina | 854 | 176 | 964 | 6,008 | 4,245 | 494 | 404 | 404 | 2,684 |
| 15. East | 444 | 43 | 579 | 6,198 | 4,000 | 428 | 468 | 227 | 1,669 |
| 16. Erie | 912 | 130 | 1,030 | 12,679 | 7,956 | 365 | 845 | 367 | 2,950 |
| 17. Florida | 753 | 135 | 940 | 8,030 | 5,892 | 488 | 490 | 435 | 2,790 |
| 18. Fond du Lac | 762 | 121 | 982 | 10,519 | 6,344 | 183 | 580 | 280 | 1,760 |
| 19. Georgia | 809 | 189 | 1,026 | 8,418 | 6,121 | 215 | 420 | 443 | 3,712 |
| 20. Harrisburg | 1,320 | 207 | 1,508 | 18,357 | 12,913 | 362 | 1,039 | 610 | 5,427 |
| 21. Indianapolis | 407 | 91 | 497 | 6,191 | 4,911 | 479 | 638 | 227 | 1,587 |
| 22. Iowa | 1,073 | 403 | 1,560 | 13,412 | 9,175 | 496 | 1,054 | 479 | 3,014 |
| 23. Kansas | 668 | 284 | 1,220 | 6,996 | 5,639 | 231 | 527 | 270 | 1,750 |
| 24. Kentucky | 562 | 120 | 682 | 8,030 | 5,892 | 488 | 490 | 435 | 2,790 |
| 25. Lexington | 753 | 135 | 940 | 8,030 | 5,892 | 488 | 490 | 435 | 2,790 |
| 26. Long Island | 2,287 | 246 | 2,533 | 22,677 | 16,059 | 1,162 | 2,130 | 1,422 | 10,304 |
| 27. Los Angeles | 708 | 326 | 438 | 11,975 | 6,382 | 221 | 632 | 325 | 2,193 |
| 28. Louisiana | 1,064 | 119 | 1,183 | 17,498 | 12,161 | 510 | 1,027 | 520 | 3,989 |
| 29. Maine | 1,452 | 363 | 1,815 | 10,512 | 6,434 | 471 | 1,171 | 329 | 2,671 |
| 30. Marquette | 567 | 83 | 640 | 6,336 | 3,794 | 179 | 348 | 147 | 1,594 |
| 31. Maryland | 3,986 | 402 | 4,382 | 47,314 | 32,032 | 1,902 | 3,842 | 1,371 | 11,983 |
| 32. Massachusetts | 8,617 | 1,429 | 9,046 | 95,036 | 64,381 | 4,218 | 7,510 | 2,733 | 22,022 |
| 33. Michigan | 4,531 | 926 | 5,214 | 44,277 | 28,195 | 2,807 | 4,223 | 1,449 | 14,744 |
| 34. Milwaukee | 2,442 | 389 | 2,831 | 20,460 | 13,594 | 639 | 1,167 | 572 | 4,179 |
| 35. Minnesota | 2,043 | 499 | 3,043 | 25,230 | 17,564 | 1,153 | 2,625 | 807 | 6,210 |
| 36. Mississippi | 637 | 114 | 1,053 | 8,750 | 7,241 | 335 | 525 | 364 | 3,002 |
| 37. Missouri | 1,262 | 208 | 1,470 | 11,074 | 6,580 | 504 | 1,041 | 429 | 3,210 |
| 38. Montana | 768 | 194 | 936 | 8,877 | 6,473 | 423 | 606 | 270 | 2,323 |
| 39. Nebraska | 597 | 164 | 844 | 8,323 | 5,689 | 223 | 512 | 258 | 1,848 |
| 40. Newark | 5,782 | 723 | 6,495 | 78,560 | 51,867 | 2,652 | 6,199 | 5,419 | 18,048 |
| 41. New Hampshire | 4,461 | 410 | 4,871 | 11,023 | 88,945 | 148 | 3,547 | 15,230 |
| 42. New Jersey | 4,555 | 571 | 4,866 | 51,507 | 31,596 | 1,632 | 3,784 | 1,622 | 15,547 |
| 43. New York | 14,513 | 2,657 | 11,903 | 139,934 | 94,591 | 13,028 | 29,180 | 3,211 | 28,705 |
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APPENDIX II.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS OF DECEASED MEMBERS

Unto Almighty God we give hearty thanks for the good examples of these, His servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labors. They have gone on, we believe, for further refining that Christ, when He "cometh to make up His Jewels," may find them worthy of His choice.

**Diocese of Alabama:**
Robert Jemison, LL.D., born September 12, 1883; died September 16, 1926. Member of two General Conventions.

**Diocese of Albany:**
The Rev. Herbert J. Cook, S.T.D., born 1845; died December 4, 1925. Member of one General Convention.
Levi Hasbrouck, born 1845; died November 2, 1927. Member of three General Conventions.

**Diocese of Atlanta:**
Charles L. Bunting, born 1858; died December 14, 1927. Member of seven General Conventions.

**Diocese of Arkansas:**
The Rev. Albert R. Llwyd, born July 16, 1868; died October 16, 1926. Member of two General Conventions.
Richard B. Bancroft, born March 15, 1857; died June 6, 1927. Member of two General Conventions.

**Diocese of Bethlehem:**
The Rev. William N. Weir, died January, 1927. Member of one General Convention.
Archibald Maurice, died July 2, 1928. Member of two General Conventions.
Albert N. Cleaver, born 1849; died June, 1928. Member of three General Conventions.

**Canal Zone, Panama:**
The Rev. Frederic C. Meredith, born August, 1880; died October 28, 1926. Member of two General Conventions.

**Diocese of Central New York:**
Frederic J. Bowne, born February 3, 1870; died September 14, 1926. Member of three General Conventions.
Stuart D. Lansing, born November 21, 1866; died September 3, 1927. Member of three General Conventions.

**Diocese of Chicago:**
The Rev. James S. Stone, D.D., born April 27, 1852; died May 8, 1928. Member of two General Conventions.
The Rev. George S. Kellar, born May 16, 1881; died February 17, 1927. Member of two General Conventions.

**Diocese of Colorado:**
E. Waite Elder, M.A., died January 2, 1927. Member of one General Convention.
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**Diocese of Connecticut:**
Charles A. Pease, born October 16, 1857; died May 18, 1927. Member of six General Conventions.

**Diocese of Dallas:**
The Rev. Frederick T. Datson, born February 24, 1873; died November, 1927. Member of two General Conventions.
F. W. Offenhauser, died June, 1927. Member of one General Convention.

**Diocese of Delaware:**
The Rev. Thomas G. Hill, born June 7, 1874. Member of one General Convention.

**Diocese of Duluth:**
The Rev. Theodore C. Hudson, born July 28, 1851; died May 23, 1927. Member of two General Conventions.
James S. Beatty, M.D., born 1870; died 1926. Member of two General Conventions.

**Diocese of East Carolina:**
Frank Wood. Member of one General Convention.

**Diocese of Easton:**
William M. Cooper. Member of one General Convention.

**Diocese of Florida:**
The Rev. Menard Doswell, born 1892; died December 11, 1927. Member of two General Conventions.
The Rev. Van Winder Shields, D.D., born July 3, 1849; died May 13, 1897. Member of eleven General Conventions.
William M. Corry. Member of several General Conventions.

**Diocese of Fond du Lac:**
Cleveland R. Keith, born March 21, 1863; died October 2, 1925. Member of one General Convention.

**Diocese of Georgia:**
The Rev. Chauncey C. Williams, D.D., died October 29, 1927. Member of six General Conventions.

**Diocese of Harrisburg:**
The Rev. William Dorwart, born July 20, 1864; died June 23, 1927. Member of three General Conventions.
The Rev. Leroy F. Baker, died August 8, 1927. Member of one or more General Conventions.
George N. Reynolds, born October 30, 1842; died July 9, 1926. Member of seven General Conventions.

**Diocese of Indianapolis:**
James D. Bigelow, born 1856; died October 7, 1927. Member of four General Conventions.

**Diocese of Iowa:**
The Rev. Felix H. Pickworth, born 1854; died November 19, 1925. Member of one General Convention.
The Rev. George W. Hinkle, born March 11, 1847; died October 16, 1927. Member of one General Convention.

**Diocese of Lexington:**
The Rev. George H. Harris, born April 19, 1871; died April 27, 1926. Member of three General Conventions.
Henry Higgin, born November 12, 1844; died November 23, 1926. Member of four General Conventions.
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Diocese of Long Island:
The Rev. Charles F. J. Wrigley, D.D., born 1854; died April 22, 1926. Member of five General Conventions.

Diocese of Los Angeles:
The Rev. William MacCormack, D.D., born December 31, 1866; died January 4, 1926. Member of five General Conventions.
William C. Muchet, born 1855; died 1927. Member of five General Conventions.

Diocese of Maryland:
The Rev. Peregrine Wroth, D.D., born August 19, 1848; died December 9, 1927. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Massachusetts:
The Rev. Edmund S. Rousmaniere, D.D., born October 27, 1858; died September 26, 1926. Member of five General Conventions.
The Rev. Simon B. Blunt, D.D., born January 1, 1869; died April 25, 1927. Member of three General Conventions.

Diocese of Michigan:
The Rev. William W. Wilson, born November 11, 1849; died October 5, 1926. Member of two General Conventions.
Charles R. Wells, died September 21, 1928. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Milwaukee:
George F. Copeland, born 1858; died February 27, 1927. Member of ten General Conventions.

Diocese of Minnesota:
The Rev. Charles H. Plummer, D.D., born April 9, 1845; died June 20, 1926. Member of one or more General Conventions.
The Rev. Andrew D. Stowe, D.D., born April 21, 1851; died August 3, 1925. Member of one General Convention.
William D. Lawrence, M.D., born May 16, 1852; died February 19, 1927. Member of six General Conventions.

Diocese of Mississippi:
The Rev. Bartow B. Ramage, born August 8, 1860; died September 20, 1927. Member of six General Conventions.
The Rev. Henry H. Sneed, born 1841; died December 25, 1927. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Nebraska:
The Rev. Charles H. Linley, born November 14, 1860; died March 18, 1926. Member of one General Convention.
The Rev. Arthur E. Marsh, born August 12, 1854; died November 27, 1927. Member of eight General Conventions.
Samuel C. Smith, born June 12, 1846; died January 22, 1928. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of New Hampshire:
The Rev. William S. Emery, born May 6, 1858; died August 29, 1927. Member of one General Convention.
William McElroy, born 1861; died October, 1925. Member of one General Convention.
Edward C. Niles, died February 16, 1927. Member of two General Conventions.
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Diocese of New Jersey:
The Rev. Alfred B. Baker, D.D., born August 11, 1836; died July 30, 1928. Member of six General Conventions.
William D'Olier, born March 31, 1843; died May 28, 1926. Member of five General Conventions.

Diocese of Ohio:
The Rev. Abner L. Frazer, M.A., died February 10, 1923. Member of three General Conventions.
The Rev. David F. Davies, born 1848; died April 15, 1928. Member of one or more General Conventions.
David Z. Norton, M.A., LL.D., born June 1, 1851; died January 6, 1928. Member of six General Conventions.
E. S. Page, died October 25, 1925. Member of one or more General Conventions.

Diocese of Olympia:
Charles E. Shepard, died 1928. Member of five General Conventions.

Diocese of Pennsylvania:
The Rev. James Dewolf Perry, D.D., born December 22, 1838; died April 11, 1927. Member of three General Conventions.
The Rev. Elliot White, born November 26, 1861; died July 1, 1926. Member of one General Convention.
Francis A. Lewis, born October 1, 1857; died November 29, 1927. Member of eight General Conventions.
James W. Bayard, born August 2, 1855; died December 30, 1927. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Pittsburgh:
The Rev. Alexander Vance, D.D., born 1865; died April 18, 1926. Member of four General Conventions.
Henry D. W. English, born 1856; died March 28, 1926. Member of five General Conventions.

Diocese of Quincy:
The Rev. Charles W. Leffingwell, D.D., born December 6, 1840; died October 9, 1928. Member of eleven General Conventions.

Diocese of Rhode Island:
The Rev. Frederick S. Penfold, born March 10, 1874; died November 28, 1926. Member of one General Convention.
Charles T. Dorrance, born December 6, 1847; died July 30, 1927. Member of four General Conventions.
Frederick D. Carr, born September 1, 1859; died July 12, 1928. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Sacramento:
Frederick A. S. Foale, born 1876; died 1926. Member of one General Convention.
William B. Lardner, born 1851; died 1927. Member of one General Convention.
Diocese of South Carolina:
   The Rev. Frederick N. Skinner, born August 27, 1866; died August 7, 1927. Member of three General Conventions.
   Thomas W. Bacot, died December 27, 1927. Member of six General Conventions.

District of South Dakota:
   John Howard Gates, born October 26, 1865; died November 8, 1927. Member of five General Conventions.

Diocese of South Florida:
   The Rev. Lionel A. Wye, born June 24, 1871; died June 28, 1927. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Southern Ohio:
   Mortimer Matthews, born June 20, 1858; died September 1, 1927. Member of four General Conventions.
   Wilfred O. Frohock, born March 27, 1862; died January 1, 1928. Member of five General Conventions.
   Daniel H. Sowers, born October 14, 1867; died June 8, 1927. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Southern Virginia:
   Thomas H. Willcox, born 1859; died 1926. Member of five General Conventions.

Diocese of Tennessee:
   John Maynard, died April 28, 1928. Member of two General Conventions.
   Richard H. Allen, died April, 1928. Member of one General Convention.

District of Utah:
   The Rev. Ward W. Reese, born 1871; died August 17, 1927. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Vermont:
   The Rev. Walter H. Bamford, born February 18, 1856; died September 27, 1926. Member of one General Convention.
   The Rev. Edward S. Stone, born June 1, 1864; died October 26, 1927. Member of one General Convention.
   George Briggs, born 1844; died December 16, 1926. Member of five General Conventions.
   James D. Tanner, died May 16, 1928. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Virginia:
   The Rev. Thomas H. Lacy, D.D., born June 29, 1848; died May 2, 1928. Member of one General Convention.
   Robert C. Scott, born July 25, 1859; died January 20, 1928. Member of five General Conventions.
   Alexander W. Wallace, born August 20, 1843; died October 23, 1927. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Western Massachusetts:
   The Rev. Arthur J. Gammack, M.A., born March 28, 1871; died April 29, 1927. Member of three General Conventions.
   Charles G. Washburn, born January 28, 1857; died May 25, 1928. Member of one General Convention.
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District of Western Nebraska:
The Rev. Henry Ives, born August 21, 1859; died August 3, 1928. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Western New York:
The Rev. James W. Ashton, D.D., born January 18, 1843; died October 21, 1925. Member of four General Conventions.
Rufus A. Sibley, born 1842; died May, 1928. Member of four General Conventions.

Diocese of West Virginia:
The Rev. Jacob Brittingham, D.D., born September 25, 1852; died September, 1926. Member of eight General Conventions.
The Rev. Robert D. Roller, D.D., born 1850; died September 17, 1927. Member of eight General Conventions.

APPENDIX III.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH FINANCE TO GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1928

The Board has carried on its work during the past triennium with some success and a good deal of encouragement and co-operation.

PARISH CASH BOOK

The fifth edition of the Cash Book is now approximately exhausted, between eighty and ninety per cent. of the Parishes and Missions are now using this book.

PAROCHIAL REPORTS

About fifteen thousand copies of the Parochial Report are sold annually. All but three Dioceses are now conforming to requirements of General Convention as shown by the Questionnaire on page 10 of this report.

TRIENNIAL REPORT

The Secretary of the House of Deputies gladly accepts the help and suggestions of this Board in preparing the Triennial Report in order that it may conform in every way with the Parochial Report.

RESPECTING CANON 52

The Canon says: Section I. It shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church in charge of a Parish or Congregation or, if there be no Minister in charge, of the Churchwardens, or other proper officer, to prepare upon the blank form adopted by the General Convention a report for the year ending December 31st preceding, and to deliver the same on or before the first day of every annual Convention to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District, or where there is no Bishop, to the presiding officer of the Convention. This report shall include the fol-
lowing information: (1) The number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages and burials during the year; the total number of baptized persons and communicants at the time of the report; and for all purposes the number of members of the Church shall be deemed to be the number of baptized persons; (2) a summary of all receipts and expenditures, from whatever source derived, and for whatever purpose used; and (3) a statement of the property held by the Parish, whether real or personal, with an appraisal of its value, together with a statement of the indebtedness of the Parish, if any, and of the amount of insurance carried. And every Minister not in charge of any Parish or Congregation shall also report his occasional services, and if there have been none, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop may deem proper, shall be entered in the Journal.

**REVISION OF PAROCHIAL REPORT**

Acting under instructions of 1925 Convention the Board presents a revised and simplified form and asks for approval and adoption by Convention.

That further assistance be given looking toward a better understanding and more uniform results a syllabus has been prepared.

The Board presents the following:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Clergymen and two Laymen be appointed to consult and advise with the Board of Church Finance in the preparation of the Parochial Report and Syllabus, and present its findings to this convention.

**FIRE INSURANCE**

The Board is not able at this time to present a full report of the facts concerning fire insurance.

The Report of the State of the Church in 1925 shows that 89 Dioceses and Districts out of 102 report that the estimated value of Churches and Chapels, Rectories, Parish Houses and other buildings was $191,648,304.84, no report under this heading was made by the Dioceses of Lexington, Louisiana, Maryland and New York. The amount of fire insurance reported by the same Dioceses and Districts was $95,278,329.73.

**DEFINITION OF CURRENT PAROCHIAL EXPENSES**

This Board gladly accepts the recommendation of the National Council in defining and itemizing Current Expenses, the following resolution is therefore presented:

Resolved, That Current Parochial Expenses in the Parochial Report Blanks be itemized and defined as follows:

1. **SALARIES**

   (A) Rector
       Rector Emeritus
       Assistant Ministers
       Clergy acting as Supplies
       Special Preachers

   (B) Deaconesses
       Parish Visitors
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Religious Educational Director
Social Service Workers
Church School Teachers

(C) Parish Secretary
Sexton or Janitor
Assistants to Sexton or Janitor

(D) All other Parish Workers

2. PENSION PREMIUMS

Church Pension Fund Premiums for Rector and other Clergy

3. ORGANIST, MUSIC AND CHOIR

Salary of Organist
Salaries of Singers
Sheet Music
Music Books
Choir Supplies
Choir Surplices
Maintenance and care of organ

4. FOR ALL CURRENT OPERATIONS

All expenses of maintaining
Church
Parish House
Rectory
Insurance Premiums
Automobile Expenses
Fuel
Lighting
Telephone and Telegraph
Taxes
Stationery
Printing
Postage
Express
All other office supplies

The Board also presents the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Church Finance is hereby instructed to call upon the several Dioceses and Missionary Districts for a statement of all insurable properties in their jurisdiction, which statement shall show:

(a) The replacement value of every parcel of property;
(b) The amount of fire insurance carried thereon,
and to present the information to the next General Convention, and to further consider the advisability of their Church establishing its own or entering into some form of Inter-Insurance Exchange.

In this connection may we report that the Secretary of this Board is Chairman of a Committee on Fire Insurance appointed by the Committee on Finance and Fiduciary Matters of the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ in America. A report of this committee will be ready early in 1929 and will be of interest to this Church.

The Board have made many suggestions in their reports, all of which have been unanimously adopted by the General Convention, including additions to Canons and the adoption of certain resolutions.
FINANCIAL REFORMS ESTABLISHED BY CANON

1. Making a uniform Fiscal Year beginning January 1.
2. Requiring reports from Dioceses and Parishes to be made on uniform blanks, and more complete details of conditions.
3. Requiring at the close of each year the auditing of all accounts "having to do with the receipts, expenditure or investments of money of all Church organizations."
4. Requiring the creation by each Convention or Convocation of a Finance Committee and specifying its duties.
5. Requiring the custodians of all trust funds and permanent funds for Church purposes to deposit the same in trust with some Trust Company or Bank.
6. Requiring the Finance Committee to "act as advisor of the Bishop, in financial matters; and upon request as advisor to individual Parishes."
7. Requiring adequate insurance on all Church property.
8. Requiring that the Budget System be introduced into all Parishes.

RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED BY GENERAL CONVENTION

UNIFORM CASH BOOK

Resolved, That in order to put the accounting system of the Church upon a uniform and sound basis the Church Finance Commission be authorized to publish the Uniform Cash Book as included in its report with such alterations as may seem advisable, and that it be recommended to the Dioceses to urge its use in all their Parishes.

APPOINTMENT OF A PERMANENT SECRETARY

Resolved, That the Church Finance Commission be authorized in their discretion to appoint a permanent Secretary who shall give his entire time to the work of the Committee, visiting all the Dioceses during the next Triennium, to aid in perfecting the Diocesan organizations and to promote harmonious co-operation between them and the Church Finance Commission, providing that the expense shall not be chargeable to this Convention.

PAROCHIAL REPORT

Resolved, That the form of Parochial Report as amended by the Church Finance Commission be adopted and deemed to be that specified in Canon 51, Section IV. and the Diocesan Committees and District Convocations are earnestly requested to make this action effective by appropriate legislation.

INSURANCE

Resolved, That the Church Finance Committee be instructed to make a study of the entire question of the protection of Church property by insurance, with power to take such action in the premises as it thinks advisable, either through the establishment of a Mutual Insurance Association, or in other ways.

COMPELLING ADEQUATE INSURANCE

Resolved, That the Dioceses and Missionary Districts be urgently requested to enact Canons compelling the adequate insurance of all Church property.
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HANDLING OF FINANCES

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Dioceses to give considera-
tion to the proposals of the Board of Church Finance:

COUNTING OFFERINGS—That rules for counting offerings be established:
RECTORS SHALL NOT BE TREASURERS—That Rectors shall not be per-
mitted to act as Treasurers of any Church organization.

ADVANCE MADE IN BUSINESS METHODS

It is gratifying to the Board to watch the progress that has been
made. We especially emphasize the response that there has been on the
part of the Parochial Treasurers in their desire to comply with the
Canons and to establish a uniform method of financing the Parish. We
wish to report in detail as to the present conditions:

THE UNIFORM FISCAL YEAR is completely effective.

THE BUDGET SYSTEM is being adopted very generally throughout the
Church both in Diocesan and Parochial Organizations. It is easily seen
that wherever a well-defined budget is established and care and attention
given to it by the Treasurer and Vestry the Parish is almost without
exception financially successful.

THE PARISH CASH Book is no longer an experiment. The results are
shown in the more accurately compiled Parochial Reports.

THE UNIFORM PAROCHIAL REPORT is now in general use throughout the
Church.

RECOMMENDATIONS

THE AUDITING OF ACCOUNTS is perhaps the item to which the Church
shows the least response. While we are assuming that there are few,
if any, Parish accounts that are not audited, yet the Canon is generally
disregarded in this particular, and while we hear very little about Parish
Treasurers defaulting yet the lack of the compliance with the Canon
permits lax methods.

THE DEPOSIT OF TRUST FUNDS with some National Bank or Trust
Company is slowly but steadily increasing. The lack of strict compliance
with the Canon has in the last triennium been illustrated by disaster in
one of the Dioceses in which the Episcopal Fund was nearly depleted.
It is difficult to understand the attitude of the Dioceses and Districts in
not protecting funds for which they are trustees. The lack of care
cannot help but influence the minds and the intentions of people who
may be in position to assist in the establishment of permanent funds of
the Dioceses and of the general Church. It is as unfair as it is unwise
to leave trust funds in the hands of a committee where usually one
man acts for the whole.

CONCERNING INSURANCE. We go on year after year burning up our
churches through carelessness and neglect only to find that the property
is quite inadequately insured, resulting in the direct loss to the Parishes
and Dioceses of hundreds of thousands of dollars. It is of supreme im-
portance that the Vestry, whose responsibility it is to protect the property,
sees to it that the property is adequately covered by insurance. So im-
portant is this matter that there is a pamphlet issued treating on "Church
Fire Insurance."

DIOCESAN FINANCE COMMITTEES. The success or lack of success of
the operation of the Canons and the resolutions of General Convention
is very largely dependent upon the activities of the Diocesan Committee.
It is distressing to learn from time to time that the Diocesan Committees are entirely inoperative. There is much for these Committees to do and we once more appeal to them to study their duties and to energetically follow the very clear intent of the financial Canons and resolutions.

COUNTING OF OFFERINGS. Once more the Board calls attention to this important part of the financial system. The moment an offering is dropped on the plate the Parish becomes trustee for it. Every penny must be protected by an adequate system to insure its safety and right expenditure. General Convention by resolution recommends to every Diocese and Missionary District "that rules for counting offerings be established."

The Board suggests:

First: that two or more responsible men shall count the offering and a record of the result filed.

Second: that two responsible men remove the offering from the Chancel and seal it in a box provided for that purpose. The seal should be large enough to be signed by both men. The offering may then be counted by the recording officer or clerk later.

Third: that the offering be removed from the Chancel by two responsible men, sealed and sent directly to the Parish Depository for credit to the Parish account.

The Board invites the Diocesan Finance Committees and Departments of Finance to correspond with it concerning financial methods and problems and will do all in its power to assist, gladly giving the benefit of its experience and knowledge of the different Diocesan operations to solve whatever problems there may be, and in so doing better understanding can be had which will result in more uniform methods of operation.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE,
LUKE M. WHITE,
SAMUEL MATHER,
WILLIAM J. TULLY,
ROBERT C. PRUYN,

Board of Church Finance.

APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America:

The Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary submits herewith copies of the Proceedings of the Board for the years 1926, 1927 and 1928, in accordance with the provisions of Article II. of the Constitution of the Seminary. Details of the finances of the Seminary and its general administration are set forth in these Proceedings. The Board of Trustees begs further to report on the state of the Seminary as follows:

(1) There has been a steady increase in the number of students, the enrollment last year being 146. At the same time there has been main-
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tained a further careful scrutiny of those presenting themselves for admission in the conviction that the question of quality in the ministry is all important. In the present student body 47 different dioceses are represented, interesting evidence of the way in which the institution is fulfilling its function as the General Seminary of the Church.

(2) A notable step has been taken in the introduction of the tutorial system to supplement the teaching by lecture and recitation. The placing of each student under the care of a tutor to whom he reports regularly for conference on his reading and for discussion of the subject matter of the lectures and his own particular problems helps materially to provide that adjustment of the teaching to individual need which is so essential in the training of men for the ministry. The tutors meet regularly for conference with a committee of the Faculty and the teaching staff are thus enabled to base their work on a thorough knowledge of the capacity of each student. There has already resulted a new sense of fellowship in a common task upon the part of Faculty and students. It is not surprising therefore that there has been a marked increase in the amount of reading that the students do and a deepened seriousness in their intellectual life.

(3) On the practical side there has been a distinct advance in the direction of what is called clinical work. In part this has been secured from the association with St. Peter's Parish so that the students are faced with the actual concrete problems of present-day parochial life. Great gain results too from the sense of pastoral obligation engendered by insisting on the Seminary's responsibility to the neighborhood in which it stands. Advantage has also been taken of the necessity under which men find themselves of doing work outside the Seminary for the great majority of the students are entirely dependent on their own resources. This work has been placed under the direct supervision of an instructor who brings to his task a rich pastoral experience. He calls each man into regular conference on the problems raised by his work, whether in parish or mission, in boy's club or Church school. This really means instruction for each individual in the rudiments of pastoral care, instruction which has particular weight from its relation to situations which the student is actually engaged in dealing with. He is helped, too, to understand that his work is to be done not simply for the sake of the remuneration but as part of that ministry in the name of Christ to which he is committing his life.

(4) In the current year three notable books have been published by members of the Faculty. Professor Easton's, "The Gospel Before the Gospels," vindicates anew in the face of recent destructive criticism the substantial reliability of the Evangelists as historians, and this by masterly use of the canons of modern historical research. Professor Gavin's, "The Jewish Antecedents of the Christian Sacraments," opens up new and important lines for tracing the organic relationship of Christianity to the preparation for it made in Israel. Professor Hodgson's, "And Was Made Man," enunciates with reverent insight some of the philosophic and theological pre-suppositions, recognition of which is necessary for the intelligent study of the Gospels. These books bear convincing testimony to the way in which the Seminary is playing its part in that productive research which enables the Church to set forth its great heritage of truth in vital relation to contemporary problems. Much of the material in these books has been the subject of discussion in seminar and classroom and the opportunities for advanced study thus offered are being taken advantage of by an increasing group of able students so that the graduate work of the Seminary grows steadily in importance.
The effort to increase the endowment of the Seminary has made progress. The sum of $289,329 has been pledged and of this amount $247,226 has been paid in. This, however, is but a small part of the million and a quarter dollars which the Seminary must have for something like the adequate fulfilment of its great task. It has proved difficult to awaken the Church to the recognition of the Seminary's need. The inertia of a century is not easily overcome. It is a simple matter of fact that this Church has not taken seriously the question of theological education. The present endowment of the Seminary, as indeed of all the seminaries, was given by a few generous benefactors. The Laity have given with unexampled generosity to educational work in general but they have signally failed to show their concern for the vital relationship between religion and sound learning by providing liberally for the training of the ministry. It is quite the custom for the unthinking to speak of the seminaries as behind the times. Those who have informed themselves know that it is rather matter for surprise and congratulation that the seminaries have made marked progress with the limited resources at their disposal. With inadequate salaries for the teaching staff, sadly harpered for lack of money in the necessary enlargement of the scope of their teaching to meet current needs, unable to make those experiments which mean so much for the development of an institution of learning, they have none the less held steadily aloft the ideals of truth and sincerity in religion and are today the homes of reverent scholarship. They have rejoiced in the splendid provision made for medical schools and law schools and graduate schools of business and with their plans and their hopes they wait eagerly for the day when the Laity of this Church shall be moved to make like generous provision for the training of those who in the name of our Lord are to minister to human souls.

LAWRENCE T. COLE, Secretary of the Board.
HUGHHELL FOSBROKE, Dean of the Seminary.

APPENDIX V.

REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN OF THE STANDARD BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

The Custodian of the Standard Prayer Book begs leave to present the following report covering the triennium 1925-1928:

First, he desires to express his gratitude for the action of the last Convention which authorized the procuring of closed and locked cases for the proper preservation of the Collection of Prayer Books owned by the Convention and now in the care of the Custodian.

The cases have been made under the supervision of the Chairman of the Committee on Expenses and the Custodian, at a cost of $235.00; and this valuable collection is now, for the first time, carefully guarded under lock and key.

Some few additions have been made to it during the past three years; but the carefully prepared catalogue of these books has not yet been printed.
The Custodian has spent much time in helping to prepare the text of the New Standard Prayer Book which it is hoped the Convention will authorize for publication at its coming session.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCIEN MOORE ROBINSON.

APPENDIX VI.

REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF THE ARCHIVES OF GENERAL CONVENTION

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The Rev. Edwin B. Rice, who was appointed by the Presiding Bishop Custodian of the Archives December, 1922, in accordance with the resolution of General Convention September, 1922, resigned January 1, 1928, when the Presiding Bishop appointed me in his place. The former Custodian turned over to me an index of the Archives and I found the contents of the safe at the Church Missions House in orderly condition as a result of his painstaking labors.

The Archives contain many valuable manuscripts and transcripts and many historical documents which are of general interest. They are frequently consulted by students. While the former Custodian has arranged these in as good order as his facilities allowed, it is not possible to preserve them in the way such valuable historical documents should be preserved. The safe at the Church Missions House is neither fire nor burglar proof. The facilities at the office are so limited that those desiring to consult these documents, sometimes a search extending over several weeks, must be trusted with them in a room where proper supervision cannot be exercised. The documents are simply pasted in books without the benefit of the modern methods of preservation in use in all well regulated libraries handling such manuscripts. They are of such general interest that they should be accessible to anyone having a legitimate interest in them and such inspection should be under careful supervision at all times, such as is not possible at the Church Missions House, but which is possible at such an institution as a Public Library or Historical Society.

It is therefore the opinion of the present Custodian, after consulting with the Presiding Bishop, also Bishop Lloyd, Chairman of the former Joint Commission on Archives, as well as the former Custodian, Mr. Rice, and after consultation with experts in such matters, that the wisest thing to do would be to turn all of these manuscripts over to a central, easily accessible, organization equipped for the proper care, supervision and preservation thereof. In this opinion the gentlemen above mentioned heartily concur. I therefore have been in correspondence with the New York Historical Society, the New York Public Library, the Department of History of Columbia University, all of which institutions are very anxious to receive from us these documents and agree to apply the modern methods of preservation, indexing, supervision and safe-keeping of the documents. In looking into the facilities offered by these three organizations it seems to me that the New York Historical Society, 170 Central Park West, in New York City, offers the best depository. This
Society already possesses a large number of the manuscripts of the Rev. Dr. Francis L. Hawks and William Stevens Perry, the Episcopal Historian, together with a great many other manuscripts bearing on the Episcopal Church, including a number of volumes written by the Rev. Andrew Fowler. It would be a tremendous advantage to future Episcopal historians and historical students to have all these manuscripts relating to the Church in one place.

In letter dated May 15, 1928, from Mr. Alexander J. Wall, Librarian, the following is stated:

"That the New York Historical Society would be very glad to accept this collection and to care for it with the same zeal that it exercises in the protection of its large collection of similar material; that is to say, the documents would be arranged and placed in boxes which, in turn, are put in locked steel cabinets with each item card indexed to facilitate the finding of any individual document or collection of them. Persons consulting our original manuscripts are requested to state the reason for their need and to offer satisfactory credentials before doing so."

Mr. Wall also offers to furnish, at cost, to other Historical Societies, photostatic copies of such manuscripts, as desired, relating to the history of any particular State. He has his own instruments for doing this, and it is done under his supervision. In this way the collection is kept intact.

The following recommendation is made:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, the House of Deputies concurring, that the Custodian of the Archives be and hereby is instructed to turn over to the New York Historical Society the following papers now in his charge as Custodian and contained in the vault on the 4th floor of the Church Missions House, New York City:

1. The Papers of Bishop Wm. White (Shelf 1) 6 vols.
2. The Papers of Rev. Dr. Wm. Smith (Shelf 1) 4 vols.
3. The Papers of Rev. Sam'l Peters (Shelf 12-13) 18 vols.
6. The Misc'l Mss. of Dr. F. L. Hawks (Shelf 4) Small paper box.
7. Miscellaneous Mss. in large white paper box (Shelf 23).
9. South Carolina Notes, Ecclesiastical and Biographical, 1 vol. (Shelf 12).
10. Rev. Andrew Fowler's "Biographical Sketches of the Clergy of the Protestant Episcopal Church" Mss. 3 vols. (Shelf 12).
11. The Danish Church Clergy, Mss. (Shelf 1) 1 vol.

with the understanding that the New York Historical Society will agree to repair the manuscripts with silk chiffon used for such purpose or with some other similar material which will insure their permanent preservation, to catalogue all the manuscripts, to deposit them in locked steel cabinets and to give historical students and others who have interest therein free access to them.

The Diocesan Journals have been brought to the office of the Custodian of the Archives and placed on shelves provided therefor, a single volume for each year for each Diocese. I found a great many duplicate copies of Diocesan Journals in the possession of the former custodian. It seems unnecessary to keep more than one copy for each year. It may be that some Dioceses lack volumes and would like a complete record. State Historical Societies might also desire as complete a file as
possible of the Journals of the Dioceses within the State. The custodian suggests that he be authorized to communicate with each Diocese and Missionary District of the Church, and also State Historical Societies, offering to supply any duplicates which may be in his possession and which may be desired. Those that are not called for the custodian suggests that he be authorized to destroy. These Diocesan Journals take up a great deal of space at the Church Missions House, where space is very limited.

The following recommendation is made:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Custodian of the Archives be and hereby is authorized to supply Diocesan Journals, of which he has duplicates, to Dioceses, Missionary Districts and State Historical Societies, desiring them and to destroy those remaining for which there is no request.

F. J. CLARK, Custodian of the Archives.

APPENDIX VII.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR

Ten Bishops have been consecrated during the past Triennium. Letters of Consecration have been signed and sealed in duplicate on each occasion by the consecrating Bishops, one copy having been given to the newly consecrated Bishop, and one duly attested having been filed in the Archives of the General Convention.

In each case, when the Registrar could not be present at a Consecration, he has appointed a Deputy Registrar to act for him. These appointments are as follows:

The Rev. Oscar DeW. Randolph, to be Deputy Registrar at the consecration of the Bishop of Idaho; the Rev. P. A. Smith, at the consecration of the Bishop of Kyoto; and the Rev. Stephen E. McGinley, at the consecration of the Bishop of Oklahoma.

The Registrar has himself been present at the consecration of the Bishops of Long Island, Liberia, Arizona, Mexico and New Hampshire; at the consecration of the Suffragan Bishop of Southern Brazil, and at the consecration of the Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland.

All Journals received from the Secretaries of Dioceses or Districts have been placed in the hands of the Custodian of the Archives of the General Convention and have been duly filed in the Archives, together with the original Minutes of both Houses of the General Convention and the papers, documents and reports relating to such Minutes.

The Registrar takes this opportunity of expressing his appreciation of the very valuable and efficient assistance which the Custodian of the Archives has tendered to him in the pursuance of his duties as Registrar.

The expenses of the past Triennium have amounted to $120.46 covering the issuance of the letters of consecration, telegrams, postage, supplies and copying.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

September 1, 1928.
LETTERS OF CONSECRATION

CCCXLVI.—ERNEST MILMORE STIRES, D.D.,
BISHOP OF LONG ISLAND
IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE
HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Ethelbert Talbot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Bethlehem and Presiding Bishop, John Gardner Murray, D.D., Bishop of Maryland, and William Thomas Manning, D.D., LL.D., D.C.L., Bishop of New York, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the twenty-fourth day of November, being the Tuesday after the Sunday next before Advent, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, in St. Thomas Church, at New York City, in the Diocese of New York, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof Ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Ernest Milmore Stires, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen a Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of New York, and State of New York, on the day and in the year above written.

ETHELBERT TALBOT, Bishop of Bethlehem and Presiding Bishop.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Bishop of Maryland.

WILLIAM T. MANNING, Bishop of New York.

WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Bishop of Massachusetts.

LUCIEN LEE KINGSOLVING, Bishop of Southern Brasil.

CHARLES HENRY BRENT, Bishop of Western New York.

BEVERLEY DANDRIDGE TUCKER, Bishop of Southern Virginia.

ARTHUR SELDEN LLOYD, Suffragan Bishop of New York.

W. M. CABELL BROWN, Bishop of Virginia.

HERBERT SHIPMAN, Suffragan Bishop of New York.

G. ASHTON OLDHAM, Bishop Coadjutor of Albany.

CHARLES LEWIS SLATTERY, Bishop Coadjutor of Massachusetts.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

CCCXLVII.—ROBERT ERSKINE CAMPBELL, JR.,
BISHOP OF THE MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF LIBERIA
IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE
HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Ethelbert Talbot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Bethlehem and Presiding Bishop, Thomas Frank
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Gailor, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Tennessee, and Walter Henry Overs, Ph.D., Bishop, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the thirtieth day of November, being the Feast of St. Andrew, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, at New York City, in the Diocese of New York, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof Ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Robert Erskine Campbell, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of the Missionary District of Liberia.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of New York, and State of New York, on the day and in the year above written.

Ethelbert Talbot, Bishop of Bethlehem and Presiding Bishop. (seal)
Thomas F. Gailor, Bishop of Tennessee. (seal)
Walter Henry Overs, Bishop. (seal)
Arthur Selden Lloyd, Suffragan Bishop of New York. (seal)
Paul Matthews, Bishop of New Jersey. (seal)
Herbert Shipman, Suffragan Bishop of New York. (seal)
William T. Manning, Bishop of New York. (seal)
James Matthew Maxon, Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee. (seal)

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Registrar.


To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Ethelbert Talbot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Bethlehem and Presiding Bishop, Lucien Lee Kinsolving, S.T.D., LL.D., Bishop of Southern Brazil, and Joseph Blount Cheshire, D.D., Bishop of North Carolina, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the twenty-eighth day of December, being the Feast of the Holy Innocents, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, in St. Paul's Church, in the City of Baltimore, in the Diocese of Maryland, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof Ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend William Matthews Merrick Thomas, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of Southern Brazil.
Given under our hands and seals in the City of Baltimore, and State of Maryland, on the day and in the year above written.

Ethelebert Talbot, Bishop of Bethlehem and Presiding Bishop. (Seal)
Jos. Blount Cheshire, Bishop of North Carolina. (Seal)
Lucien Lee Kinsolving, Bishop of Southern Brazil. (Seal)
John G. Murray, Bishop of Maryland. (Seal)
Philip Cook, Bishop of Delaware. (Seal)
Beverley Dandridge Tucker, Bishop of Southern Virginia. (Seal)
Wm. Cabell Brown, Bishop of Virginia. (Seal)
H. St. George Tucker, Bishop. (Seal)
Attest: Charles L. Parker, Registrar.

CCCXLIX.—Middleton Stuart Barnwell,
Bishop of the Missionary District of Idaho
In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Ethelebert Talbot, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Bethlehem and Presiding Bishop, Thomas Frank Gailor, D.D., LL.D., Bishop of Tennessee, and Charles Minnigerode Beckwith, D.D., Bishop of Alabama, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the thirtieth day of December, being the Wednesday following the first Sunday after Christmas, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five, in the Church of the Advent, in the City of Birmingham, in the Diocese of Alabama, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof Ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Middleton Stuart Barnwell, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of the Missionary District of Idaho.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Birmingham, and State of Alabama, on the day and in the year above written.

Ethelebert Talbot, Bishop of Bethlehem and Presiding Bishop. (Seal)
Thomas F. Gailor, Bishop of Tennessee. (Seal)
C. M. Beckwith, Bishop of Alabama. (Seal)
Charles E. Woodcock, Bishop of Kentucky. (Seal)
Herman Page, Bishop of Michigan. (Seal)
Frank Hale Touret, Bishop. (Seal)
Wm. G. McDowell, Bishop Coadjutor of Alabama. (Seal)
Attest: Oscar D'Ew. Randolph, Deputy Registrar.

CCCL.—Walter Mitchell,
Bishop of the Missionary District of Arizona
In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, John Gardner Murray, D.D., Bishop of Maryland and Presiding Bishop, Paul Matthews,
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D.D., Bishop of New Jersey, and Julius Walter Atwood, D.D., Bishop-in-Charge of Arizona, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the fifth day of January, being the Tuesday following the second Sunday after Christmas, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, in Christ Church Pro-Cathedral, in the City of Trenton, in the Diocese of New Jersey, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof Ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Walter Mitchell, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of the Missionary District of Arizona.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Trenton, and State of New Jersey, on the day and in the year above written.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Presiding Bishop.
PAUL MATTHEWS, Bishop of New Jersey.
JULIUS WALTER ATWOOD, Bishop.
WM. A. GUERR, Bishop of South Carolina.
ARTHUR SELDEN LLOYD, Suffragan Bishop of New York.
WM. CABELL BROWN, Bishop of Virginia.
ALBION W. KNIGHT, Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey.
JUNIUS M. HORNER, Bishop of Western North Carolina.
THOMAS C. DARST, Bishop of East Carolina.
WM. P. REMINGTON, Bishop of Eastern Oregon.
PHILIP COOK, Bishop of Delaware.
KIRKMAN GEORGE FINLAY, Bishop of Upper South Carolina.
FRANK WM. STERRETT, Bishop Coadjutor of Bethlehem.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

CCCLI.—FRANK WHITTINGTON CREIGHTON, Bishop of the Missionary District of Mexico in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, John Gardner Murray, D.D., Bishop of Maryland and Presiding Bishop, Thomas James Garland, D.D., D.C.L., Bishop of Pennsylvania, and Richard Henry Nelson, D.D., Bishop of Albany, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the twelfth day of January, being the Tuesday following the first Sunday after Epiphany, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, in St. Ann's Church, in the City of Brooklyn, and the Diocese of Long Island, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof Ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Frank Whittington Creighton, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of the Missionary District of Mexico.
Given under our hands and seals in the City of Brooklyn, and State of New York, on the day and in the year above written.

John G. Murray, Presiding Bishop.
Richard H. Nelson, Bishop of Albany.
Thomas J. Garland, Bishop of Pennsylvania.
William T. Manning, Bishop of New York.
G. Ashton Oldham, Bishop Coadjutor of Albany.
Ernest M. Stires, Bishop of Long Island.
Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Registrar.

CCLII.—Shirley Hall Nichols, Bishop of Kyoto
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, John McKim, D.D., Bishop of North Tokyo, Arthur Lea, D.D., Bishop of South Japan, and Heber James Hamilton, D.D., Bishop of Nagoya, Mid-Japan, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the thirteenth day of April, being the Tuesday following the first Sunday after Easter, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, in Holy Trinity Church, in the City of Kyoto, in the Missionary District of Kyoto, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof Ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Shirley Hall Nichols, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of the Missionary District of Kyoto.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Kyoto, and State of Japan, on the day and in the year above written.

John McKim, Bishop of North Tokyo.
Arthur Lea, Bishop of Kyushu.
H. J. Hamilton, Bishop in Mid-Japan.
Samuel Heaslett, Bishop in South Tokyo.
Charles S. Reifsneider, Suffragan Bishop of North Tokyo.
Basil, Bishop in Kobe, Japan.
Yasutaro Naide, Bishop of Osaka.
Joseph S. Motoda, Bishop of Tokyo.
Attest: P. A. Smite, Deputy Registrar.

CCLIII.—John Thomson Dallas, D.D., Bishop of New Hampshire
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, John Gardner Murray, D.D., Bishop of Maryland and Presiding Bishop, Arthur Crawshay
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Alliston Hall, D.D., Bishop of Vermont, and William Lawrence, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the fourth day of May, being the Tuesday following the fourth Sunday after Easter, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, in St. Paul’s Church, in the City of Concord, and the Diocese of New Hampshire, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof Ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend John Thomson Dallas, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith and purity of manners were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of the Diocese of New Hampshire.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Concord, and State of New Hampshire, on the day and in the year above written.

JOHN GARDNER MURRAY, Presiding Bishop. (SEAL)
ARTHUR C. A. HALL, Bishop of Vermont. (SEAL)
WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Bishop of Massachusetts. (SEAL)
FREDERICK F. JOHNSON, Bishop of Missouri. (SEAL)
ARTHUR SEDEN LLOYD, Suffragan Bishop of New York. (SEAL)
JAMES DEWOLFE PERRY, Bishop of Rhode Island. (SEAL)
THOMAS F. DAVIES, Bishop of Western Massachusetts. (SEAL)
HIRAM R. HULSE, Bishop of Cuba. (SEAL)
HERMAN PAGE, Bishop of Michigan. (SEAL)
SAMUEL BABCOCK BOOTH, Bishop Coadjutor of Vermont. (SEAL)

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

CCCLIV.—EDWARD TRAIL HELFENSTEIN, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, John Gardner Murray, D.D., Bishop of Maryland, and Presiding Bishop, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the twenty-eighth day of December, being Holy Innocents Day, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-six, in Memorial Church, at Baltimore, in the Diocese of Maryland, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof Ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Edward Trail Helfenstein, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland.
Given under our hands and seals in the City of Baltimore, and State of Maryland, on the day and in the year above written.

JOHN GARDNER MURRAY, Presiding Bishop.  
FREDERICK F. REESE, Bishop of Georgia.  
PHILIP COOK, Bishop of Delaware.  
WILLIAM L. GRAVATT, Bishop of West Virginia.  
H. ST. GEORGE TUCKER, Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia.  
CHARLES FISKE, Bishop of Central New York.  
ARTHUR C. THOMSON, Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia.  
ROBERT CARTER JETT, Bishop of Southwestern Virginia.  
GEO. W. DAVENPORT, Bishop of Easton.  
R. E. L. STRIDER, Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia.  

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

CCCLV.—THOMAS CASADY,  
BISHOP OF OKLAHOMA  
IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE  
HOLY GHOST. AMEN.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, John Gardner Murray, Bishop of Maryland and Presiding Bishop, Theodore Nevins Morrison, Bishop of Iowa, and Hugh Latimer Burleson, Bishop of South Dakota, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Sunday, October 2nd, being the sixteenth Sunday after Trinity, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-seven, in the Church of Saints, in the City of Omaha, in the State and Diocese of Nebraska, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof Ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Thomas Casady, of whose sufficiency in good learning, soundness in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained, into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of the Missionary District of Oklahoma.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Omaha, and State of Nebraska, on the day and in the year above written.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Presiding Bishop.  
THEODORE N. MORRISON, Bishop of Iowa.  
HUGH L. BURLESON, Bishop of South Dakota.  
ERNEST V. SHAYLER, Bishop of Nebraska.  
FRANK ARTHUR McELWAIN, Bishop of Minnesota.  
GEO. A. BEECHER, Bishop of Western Nebraska.  
E. CECIL SHAMAN, Bishop of North Texas.  
ROBERT H. MIZE, Bishop of Salina.  
HARRY S. LONGLEY, Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa.  
IRVING P. JOHNSON, Bishop of Colorado.  
W. BLAIR ROBERTS, Suffragan Bishop of South Dakota.  

Attest: STEPHEN E. McGINLEY, Deputy Registrar.
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REPORT OF THE RECORDER

In accordance with the custom inaugurated some years back, but not required by any section or sub-section of Canon 51, Section IV. [i., ii., iii. and iv.] it becomes my pleasure, following the aforesaid custom, to submit this Annual Report for preservation in the archives of the General Convention, as nowhere else, by Canon or otherwise, is there provision made for the List of Ordination being continued to be made readily accessible.

The attention of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies is called to this failure of requiring or not requiring a Report to be presented to them at their triennial meeting. The following amendment is respectfully offered: Resolved, the House of concurring, that Canon 51, Section IV. [i.] be amended by the addition after the words "List of Ordinations" in lines three and four of said Canon 51, Section IV. [i.] of the following, "and present at each triennial session of the General Convention a Report showing all Ordinations, Suspensions, Depositions, and Restorations that have taken place in the three Calendar years next preceding the holding of the Convention." And strike out all that follows in said sub-section.

It is an utter impossibility for any Recorder to "keep a list of the Clergy in regular standing, corrected to the first of September, in each year." Under ideal conditions such a list must necessarily be very imperfect, by reason of the removals from one Parish to another, from one Diocese to another, and of the deaths, resignations, suspensions and depositions, no notice of which is sent the Recorder, except in the case of depositions, which almost without exception the Bishops are very punctual in reporting. It would surprise the rank and file of the Church to know that many names are found in the Annuals of clergymen with last address given, and no response can be had from them, and in some cases they have apparently dropped completely out of sight. As for the reports from the Secretaries of the Dioceses or Missionary Jurisdictions, with a few illustrious exceptions, they seem not to know of the existence of that portion of the Canon, and blissfully ignore it.

From experience in the past, your Recorder has been forced to apply to the Bishops in person for the records sought, and he gratefully makes acknowledgement of their ready and almost universal response to the questionnaire sent them, which really should have been sent to their diocesan secretaries. These questionnaires were sent out early in May. It was in some instances necessary to send a second and a third request, and in the case of a few Registered Return Receipt Request letters were used, and in one Diocese a night letter was sent to the secretary of "The Bishop and Council," and yet there has been no response—and it might be added, that this Diocese—Marquette—has sent in no report for six years. But with this exception, your Recorder has had a report from every Diocese and Missionary District of the Church. He begs to express his grateful appreciation of the unfailing courtesy of the
Bishops, and their very evident desire to assist in making the compilation exactly accurate.

Some of our Bishops having jurisdiction in foreign lands have protested against the inclusion of their ordinands in the List of Ordinations as reported to the General Convention, on the ground that they are not ordained in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the U. S. A., but in their respective National Churches. There is a great deal to be said in favor of this position, especially in view of the rapidly developing "National Spirit" that is growing in many of these New-Old Nations, as their churches are autonomous, but inasmuch as the Church in the U. S. A. is, to a very large extent, in the case of some, almost totally responsible for the support of the Bishops having residence in their territory, it would appear but reasonable that they should make report of the progress being made by them in their respective jurisdictions. And, having this record at hand and easily accessible, it will be very easy to verify the ordination of any person ordained beyond the territory of the U. S. A. when per chance they may come to reside within its bounds. In order, however, to avoid any seeming assumption of authority over those ordained into National Churches by incorporating them in the body of the ordinations, I have seen to it that in this Report all ordinations to office in the Ministry of this Church in foreign fields are listed to themselves so that in no wise shall there be confusion as to their position in their Native Churches and, should it be the will of the Convention, and unless otherwise ordered, and I am continued in office, such shall be my policy in the future. You will therefore note that all ordinations in National Churches have certain diacritical marks showing that they are from foreign jurisdictions, and yet, by their number assigned them giving position in the event of their removal to this country. These marks are as follows—an asterisk (*) precedes and a capital letter follows the number assigned which number corresponds to the one in the List of Ordinations just previous to the foreign ordination recorded; as for instance, "S. T. Kao, *12783 B."

This means that in looking up the record of his ordination to turn to the separate List of Ordinations for foreign lands, and there you will find that he was ordained Deacon on February 28, 1926, by Rt. Rev. D. T. Huntington, and made Priest by Rt. Rev. F. R. Graves on June 17, 1927, and that if this ordination had been recorded in its proper place, serially, it would have come second after 12783, which was of one Harry Kroll Hemkey, by Rt. Rev. F. B. Howden, on February 14, 1926. The diacritical marks show that Rev. Mr. Kao belongs to the Chinese Holy Catholic Church, but in the event of his removal to the U. S. A., his numerical marking indicates him in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

It will be a matter of the greatest thankfulness to the members of both houses of the Convention and to the Church at large to learn that in the past triennium more young men have been ordained to the Diaconate than in any previous triennium of which I have record; and is a little better than 50 per cent. better than for 1919-1921, the figures standing then at 320 American, 37 Foreign in 1922, and 489 American and 47 Foreign this past triennium, 1925-1927.
I would call your attention to the necessity of the Recorder having a complete set of Journals of the General Convention which contain the Lists of Ordinations, and to the possibility of having printed an Alphabetical Index of all ordinations since 1885-1895, in order that it might be more readily accessible to the Bishops and Secretaries of the Dioceses and Jurisdictions.

All ordinations to the Diaconate close the last day of the year preceding the holding of the General Convention, as it has been absolutely impossible to present anything like a complete or even half-way complete Report if it is carried far into the year of the Convention.

Again thanking the Bishops and the faithful few secretaries who have labored long and faithfully in helping me present this good work, I beg to remain,

Your obedient servant, W. S. Slack,
Recorder of Ordinations to the General Convention.

Alexandria, La.
September 13, 1928.
TO THE PRIESTHOOD—FORMER ORDIATIONS REPORTED UNDER THE SERIAL NUMBER

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* This ordination was to the Diaconate and was reported by Rt. Rev. P. W. Creighton.

P1 Rev. N. Carter was deceased June 10, 1927 by Rt. Rev. Davis Semans.

P2 Rev. A. S. Goodrich was deceased Nov. 30, 1927 by Rt. Rev. W. T. Manning.

X Rev. Vincent Oppedisano was received from the Roman Catholic Church.

† Rt. Rev. R. E. Campbell certified to this ordination to the priesthood.

Z Date of ordination to Diaconate unobtainable.

† 12373(a) F. C. Ransier’s ordination to the Diaconate was by Rt. Rev. C. Flase—July 18, 1923.
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Among those ordained were from the Ministry of the Methodist Episcopal Church, 9; Congregationalist, 6; Northern Presbyterian, 4; Northern Baptist, 2; Lutherans, 2; and one each from the Cumberland Presbyterian, Dutch Reformed, Old Catholic, Polish National Catholic, Roman Catholic and Unitarian Churches; making a total of 29 out of 489 ordained under the United States flag and 47 in foreign lands, a grand total of 536.

DEPOSITIONS

Raymond Holley Baldwin, Aug. 7, 1925 by Rt. Rev. R. H. Weller, D.D.
Ralph F. Blanmng, July 30, 1926 by Rt. Rev. E. V. Shayler, D.D.
Albert G. Burdick, Jan. 27, 1926 by Rt. Rev. W. T. Manning, D.D.
Joseph Nathaniel Carter, June 10, 1927 by Rt. Rev. Davis Seashum, D.D.
Laurence Alfred Diller, Dec. 11, 1926 by Rt. Rev. C. L. Slattery, D.D.
Howard Murray Dunbell, June 12, 1925 by Rt. Rev. C. B. Brewster, D.D.
Frederick Alexander Garrett, June 5, 1926 by Rt. Rev. T. J. Garland, D.D.
Richard William Hogue, April 22, 1925 by Rt. Rev. T. J. Garland, D.D.
Joseph Clarke Jamison, March 17, 1926 by Rt. Rev. T. P. Thurston, D.D.
Thomas Herbert Jones, March 23, 1926 by Rt. Rev. T. J. Garland, D.D.
Nemesis Granero Mantero, April 12, 1925 by Rt. Rev. W. T. Manning, D.D.
Remington, D.D.
Stanley Horace Moffet, (Deacon) June 7, 1926 by Rt. Rev. R. L. Harris, D.D.
Augustine Gordon Muller, Feb. 11, 1927 by Rt. Rev. J. C. White, D.D.
Herbert E. Rodwell, March 29, 1927 by Rt. Rev. C. R. Brent, D.D.
Henry C. Staunton, June 8, 1926 by Rt. Rev. C. Flake, D.D.
Russell Strong, Sept. 27, 1925 by Rt. Rev. H. L. Burleson, D.D.
Mason Campbell Stryker, May 17, 1926 by Rt. Rev. J. Dewerry, D.D.
Stuart L. Tyson, June 3, 1926 by Rt. Rev. W. T. Manning, D.D.
Salvatore Zedda, Nov. 11, 1925 by Rt. Rev. C. Flake, D.D.

DEPOSED IN 1928

William Ashe-Evenst, Aug. 3rd by Rt. Rev. J. D. LaMothe, D.D.
Enrique Cuervo, June 1, 1928 by Rt. Rev. C. B. Colimore, D.D.
Frederick Alexander Garrett, June 5, 1928 by Rt. Rev. T. J. Garland, D.D.
Charles Gilbert Mears, May 11th by Rt. Rev. C. E. Woodcock, D.D.
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John Butterworth Robinson, June 23rd by Rt. Rev. C. E. Woodcock, D.D.
Reginald Osborn Tulloch, April 26th by Rt. Rev. C. F. Anderson, D.D.

SUSPENDED

P. Frank Jones, April 18, 1928 by Rt. Rev. J. C. White, D.D.
Francis M. Osborn, (for 3 years) Jan. 20, 1928 by Rt. Rev. C. S. Quin, D.D.

RESTORATIONS

APPENDIX IX.

TREASURER'S REPORT TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION
WITH BUDGET STATEMENT

At the last Convention in 1925 a new Section No. IX. was added to Canon 51 relative to a budget that was at that time adopted, stating that the Treasurer must submit to the General Convention at each regular meeting a detailed budget for the ensuing triennium. Other changes were also made for the purpose of improving our financial standards, and more definite instruction for the Treasurer.

These changes were found necessary owing to the steady increase of our Church for many years past and because of slight changes, if any had been made during those years, regulating financial conditions.

Each Convention begins a new triennium, but this fact for a long time was ignored, resulting in some Dioceses failing to pay their assessments for six or more years, making it necessary to use payments received for the coming triennium in order to liquidate the indebtedness of past triennia. This lack of method could be easily seen in the Treasurers' published statements showing a balance for the new triennium, when actually there was a deficit, which was not only misleading but unintelligible when those statements gave only six or seven Dioceses paying out of over forty. This want of method was not the fault of the Treasurers, or Committees on Expenses, their aim always being to observe the Canon, and serve the Conventions according to their votes.

The changes adopted at the Convention in 1925 were found necessary, and the realization of the Deputies at that time can be demonstrated by stating a few facts since 1886, the first Convention your Treasurer attended as a Deputy, up to the last Convention as recorded in the Journal for 1925:

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In 1925 owing to unpaid bills it was necessary to collect $1.00 more for each Clergyman, and it was so voted by the Convention, which gave the Treasurer a total of $20,494.00 for the 1925 triennium. $3.00 had been the amount of the Diocesan assessment prior to and since 1886 up to 1925, when it was advanced by vote of that Convention to $5.00, which amount has been paid by every Diocese for this 1928 triennium.

In addition to the figures showing the growth of the Church, there should be considered the great increase in the cost of everything that has taken place.

Your Treasurer in reporting the budget can state the sum required for what might be termed fixed or overhead charges, namely: Salaries, Convention Arrangements, Printing, Stenographers, Typewriting, Insurance, Printing and issuing of the Journal, Custodian, Registrar, and so forth; but must leave the minor amounts to be approved by the Committee on Expenses and reported by them to this Convention.
Total collected from Dioceses for 1928 triennium, beginning October 1, 1925 .................................................. $27,130.00
Less overhead charges .................................................. 16,650.00
Balance ........................................................................... $10,480.00

Various smaller payments referred to the Committee on Expenses must be within that balance, and will be reported by this Committee, together with the overhead charges, to this Convention for final vote.

One important item which has not been mentioned is the Permanent or Endowment Fund, established in 1910, and approved by every Convention since that date. This Fund has increased since 1910 by investing the interest from securities already on hand, and from bank interest, as well as any small balance from the total amount paid by the Dioceses after all debts have been liquidated. This Fund at the present time shows a total of $33,000.00 in securities at par value, and if continued as it should be will not only increase and strengthen our Convention finances, but create a greater interest by the Deputies in our Triennial Conventions, and naturally in the course of time would result in reducing the assessments on the Dioceses.

The final report on the Bishop Brown trial shows the total amount received from the additional assessments of $3.00, by Canon 34, Section XX .................................................. $15,846.00

Every Diocese paid this extra amount during the 1925 triennium, but prior to 1925 certain bills in connection with that total had been paid from borrowed money amounting to ...................... $4,335.36
and the amount since paid for the original trial is .................. 11,914.92
making, including the payment of the loan, a total of............ $16,250.28
showing a deficit for the original trial of....................... $ 404.28

In the Spring of 1926 your Treasurer received summons to appear before the Supreme Court for the purpose of reinstatement of Bishop Brown with all his rights to the Office. Mr. George Zabriskie of New York took charge of this case as attorney, and the court's decision sustained him in deciding in the Treasurer's favor. The attorney for Bishop Brown immediately appealed his case to the Appellate Division of the Supreme Court, and they sustained the original decision. This ended the case as far as the Treasurer was concerned, but adding $2,038.48, making the final total for the Brown trial up to date $18,288.76. This extra amount your Treasurer paid from moneys earned from bond interest and bank interest which should have been invested.

A bond required by the Treasurer as added in Canon 51, Section VIII., at the last Convention, has been fixed after consultation with the Presiding Bishop, at the sum of $10,000, believing this large enough as a great amount of the money collected is quickly paid out after the Convention adjourns.

This report is certainly very pleasing and encouraging, showing the interest now taken by the Deputies in their Convention regarding finances. It is quite as necessary for the Church to use business methods and system in their financial matters as it is for large incorporated organizations.

Thanking the 1925 and 1928 Conventions, as well as every Diocese, for the support given for these improved financial conditions this report is submitted.

W. W. SKIDDY, Treasurer,
General Convention of the P. E. Church, U. S. A.
TREASURER'S STATEMENT

OF THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Triennial Term from October, 1925, to September 30, 1928

W. W. Skiddy, Treasurer. In accordance with the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church

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- Alfred Lockwood, Asst. Secy. H. B., Services...
- C. M. Davis, Secy. H. D., acct. Salary...
- Franklin J. Clark, Asst. Secy. H. D., Services...
- James G. Glass, Asst. Secy. H. D., Services...
- Helen J. Smith, Asst. Secy. H. D., Services...
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., Typing...
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., Postage, Telegrams, etc.
- Chas. L. Pardee, Registrar, Letters Consecration Bishop Wing...
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., Testing, etc.
- W. S. Slack, Recorder, Salary, Expenses...
- W. D. Maxon, Chairman, Com. on Canons H. D.
- Joseph M. Francis, Chairmen Committee on Common Council Cup
- W. A. Guerry, Bishop and Chairman of the Joint Convention
- C. M. Davis, Secy. H. B., Typing...
- C. M. Davis, Secy. H. B., Special Typing at Convention
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., Traveling Expense
- George Quattlander, Printing
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., Typing...
- George Quattlander, Printing Pastoral Letters
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., Mailing Pastoral Letters
- C. M. Davis, Secy. H. D., Bill of Palfrey-Rodd

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**Treasurer's Report—(Continued)**

- Tiffany & Co., Testimonial to Rev. Dr. Wood... 50.00
- Chas. L. Pardee, Registrar... 64.00

- E. Talbot, Presiding Bishop, Salary... 600.00
- Chas. L. Pardee, Registrar, Consecration Bishops... 29.36
- C. M. Davis, Secy. H. D., Postage, Prayer Book... 10.00
- Notification... 45.63
- The Abbott Press, Prayer Book Notification... 299.45
- Chas. L. Pardee, H. B., acct. Salary... 300.00
- Church Pension Fund... 102.50
- The Abbott Press, Mailing Constitutions & Canons... 1,143.45
- The Abbott Press, Constitutions and Canons... 1,143.45
- C. M. Davis, Secy. H. D., acct. Salary... 1,050.00
- The Abbott Press, acct. Printing Journal... 1,000.00
- Chas. L. Pardee, Registrar... 17.89
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., Postage, etc... 5.00
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., Bishop Dallas... 33.14
- Church Pension Fund... 1,000.00
- The Abbott Press, acct. Printing Journal... 1,000.00
- Short & Larson, Inc., Treasurer's Bond... 25.00
- The Abbott Press, acct. Printing Journal... 1,140.71
- The Abbott Press, acct. Printing Journal... 1,269.47
- The Abbott Press, Balance Printing Journal... 1,269.47
- The Abbott Press, Sending out Journal... 1,269.47
- The Abbott Press, Printing... 125.00
- The Abbott Press, Printing Rules of Order... 125.00
- The Abbott Press, Printing... 125.00
- Church Pension Fund... 102.50
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., acct. Salary... 100.00
- C. M. Davis, Secy. H. D., acct. Salary... 300.00
- Bishop Philip Cook, Com. Work re Laymen's Voluntary Thank Offering... 50.92

**APPENDIX IX**

- Chas. L. Pardee, Registrar, Consecration Dr. Helenstein, Supplies, etc... 13.40
- C. M. Davis, H. D., acct. Salary... 300.00
- John F. Short, Agt. Treasurer's Bond... 25.00
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., General Expenses... 75.97
- meeting H. B... 75.97
- Quattlanden Press, Printing... 34.50
- C. M. Davis, Secy. H. D., acct. Salary... 300.00
- Chas. L. Pardee, Registrar, Consecration Bishop Casady... 17.24
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., acct. Salary... 100.00
- Chas. L. Pardee, Secy. H. B., Expenses to Washington Arranging H. B. Convention... 18.12
- C. M. Davis, Secy. H. D., Expenses to Washington Arranging for Convention... 18.12
- Church Pension Fund... 102.50
- C. M. Davis, Secy. H. D., acct. Salary... 300.00
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### Treasurer's Report—(Continued)

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| Dec. 31    | Amount due Treasurer for bills paid on account of Bishop Brown trial during last triennium | $4,335 36    |
|           | Transferred from Investment Account                                          | $30,745 36   |

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### TREASURER'S STATEMENT

For Special Collection of $3.00 for Each Diocese According to Canon 34, Section XX., for the Payment of the Bishop Brown Original Trial

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Gerard F. Patterson, Diocese of Ohio                      $84.60
William Cabell Brown, Bishop of Virginia                  $97.10
Edward M. Parker, Bishop of Concord, N. H.                $85.10
Charles L. Dibble, Church Advocate                        $4,275.00
John H. Smart, Trial Lawyer                              $4,255.94
John H. Smart, Trial Lawyer                              $1,405.61
Total deficit transferred to Regular Account              $2,442.76

The undersigned, acting as Auditor for the Committee on Expenses, has examined the accounts of Mr. W. W. Skiddy, Treasurer, and has found vouchers duly receipted for all expenditures shown in his report from October 1, 1925, to October 1, 1928, amounting to $51,516.14.

Expenditures: $51,516.14
Receipts from Dioceses: 42,256.00
Interest, etc.: $9,260.14
Balance on hand, October 1, 1928: $204.52

Investments on hand as at the above date totalling $32,388.86 as follows:
- $9,000 Colorado Fuel & Iron Co. 5% Bonds
- 3,000 N. Y. N. H. & H. R. R. Co. 6% Bonds
- 1,000 N. Y. Central R. R. Co. 6% Bonds
- 4,000 Georgia, Carolina Electric Co. 6% Bonds
- 3,000 N. Y. Ontario & Western Ry. Co. 4% Bonds
- 7,000 Third Avenue Ry. Co. 5% Bonds
- 6,000 Government of the Argentine National 6% Bonds

Total Investments: $32,593.38

(Signed) STEPHEN BAKER, Auditor.
APPENDIX X

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHURCH ARCHITECTURE AND THE ALLIED ARTS

The Joint Commission on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts respectfully reports that since the last meeting of the Convention three meetings have been held. Owing to the fact that the members of the Commission are very widely scattered, it is difficult to assemble them, and therefore the work of the Commission has been carried on mainly by correspondence. During the three years last past, the Commission has been called upon for advice and assistance in 197 cases.

The requests for assistance sent to the Commission are interestingly varied in character. Some are concerning sites, many more concerning the sort of architecture appropriate to the region, the estimated cost of building churches, parish houses, rectories, etc. A considerable number request advice concerning windows, church furniture, church decoration, etc.

A number of lectures have also been arranged.

In the last report to the Convention, attention was called—and attention still needs to be called—to a general misunderstanding concerning the duties of the Commission. In order to remove this misunderstanding the Secretary desires to call attention to the original resolution, under which the Commission was formed.

"WHEREAS, On the part of the Clergy and of the Laity, there is, in this Church, sore need of fuller information as to what constitutes the fundamental principles, which should govern the plan, the design and the decoration of churches, ignorance of which sometimes leads to such deplorable results in church architecture:

"Art. 1. Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission, consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, with power to add not more than three experts to their number, be appointed, whose duty it shall be to disseminate information on this subject throughout the Church, with a view to raising the standard of knowledge and taste as to what is pure and beautiful in style and design and correct in plan and preparation.

"Art. 2. In pursuance of this end, it shall be the duty of this Commission to effect in each diocese and missionary district, with the consent of the bishop thereof, the organization of a diocesan commission on church architecture.

"Art. 3. The central commission shall be authorized to prepare a hand-book under the direction of one or more experts, which shall contain a brief statement of the essential principles of some of the leading styles of church architecture, with illustrations of the best examples of those types which proved to be the most suitable to the various conditions found in city, town, village and country parishes. This hand-book shall be furnished at as low a price as possible to the diocesan commissions, which in turn shall furnish it to the Clergy and interested Laymen of the parishes and missions throughout the Church.

"Art. 4. It shall be the further duty of this Commission to take the matter up with the officials of the theological schools of this Church, with a view to the inauguration of a short course on church architecture to be given annually in each school by some competent expert."
Under this resolution, the Commission has not thought that it was the desire of the Convention that it should attempt to act as an architect, or in any way to take the place of architects. The question arises, of course, as to whether the Church may not, now or at some future time, desire to set up a Department of Architecture and the Allied Arts, as has been done in a number of instances by other religious bodies in the United States.

The Commission, so far, has considered that it would be best, instead of attempting to take the place of architects, to encourage young architects to take greater interest in church work, and also to be able to recommend to parishes considering building or rebuilding or alterations, the names of those architects in the United States who, so far, have shown themselves best fitted in the field of ecclesiastical architecture. The Commission calls attention to this, because constant requests are made to the Secretary to send plans, detailed drawings, etc.

Your Commission has considered that perhaps its most important work is that set forth in Article 2, "to effect in each Diocese and Missionary District, with the consent of the Bishop thereof, the organization of a diocesan commission on church architecture." Here the Commission reports with great pleasure that since the last meeting of the General Convention, four more diocesan commissions have been organized, namely, Anchorage, Dallas, Oklahoma, Olympia. Such commissions have been organized in the Provinces of New England, New York and New Jersey, the Middle West, the Southwest, and in the Dioceses of Alabama, Arizona, Bethlehem, California, Chicago, Colorado, Dallas, East Carolina, Indiana, Kansas, Los Angeles, Maine, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nevada, Newark, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Pittsburgh, Porto Rico, Ohio, Oklahoma, Olympia, Oregon, Rhode Island, Southern Virginia, Southwestern Virginia, Spokane, Tennessee, Virginia, Western Nebraska, Western Massachusetts and Wyoming.

Under Article 4, the Commission is instructed "to take up the matter with the officials of the theological schools of this Church, with the view to the inauguration of a short course on church architecture, to be given annually in each school by some competent expert." With some of the schools, this matter has been taken up with encouraging results, and it is hoped that the schools not now giving attention to this subject may be moved to do so.

One of the interesting developments of our work has been the formation of parochial committees on architecture and the allied arts of the Church. Again we call attention to the value of this. Often perplexed rectors, undecided how to act when some important parishioner desires to give some perfectly impossible window, or other church ornament, find great relief in having the advice and defense of such parochial committees.

There are certain basic principles to which again your Commission calls attention:

- Religious art must be the best obtainable.
- Church architecture must be expressive of the historic continuity, the doctrinal succession, and the racial antecedents of "Ecclesia Anglicana."
- Imitations, substitutes and dishonesty of every kind, together with second-rate work or poor craftsmanship, are intolerable.
- Aesthetic infallibility does not inhere in a bishop, a parish priest, the wardens and vestrymen, a clerical or lay benefactor, or in any architect or other artist because of his vocation.
An architect, just because he is a member of the A. I. A., need not necessarily know anything about church building or religious arts.

A firm that advertises widely and employs many and plausible "drummers" may very likely produce "art goods" that are a scandal.

Paying for a new church, an altar, a window, or a rood-screen does not give the donor the right to impose his own taste on posterity, or justify the rector, wardens and vestrymen in accepting something that is bad.

Nepotism in Church art is as bad as nepotism in Church preferment.

A competition is the worst possible way of selecting an architect, a Memorial window, a statue or anything that is linked with the Church.

There are many architects in America who have proved they can build a church right. There are several makers of stained glass as able as those in England. There are competent painters, sculptors, wood carvers, cabinet makers, metal workers, needle women, and embroiderers.

Go to them direct. Never "send for a catalogue." If you do not know to whom to go for anything, find out. Until each Diocese has its own committee, competent to give information, advice and criticism, this Commission will undertake the task, sending lists of those who already have proved their capacity.

It would be of great service to this Commission if Clergy and building committees would send in photographs or other records of churches or decorative elements recently completed or proposed. If criticism is asked, it will be freely and honestly given.

The Commission would also welcome suggestions as to constructive lines it could well follow, and statements of difficulties that are experienced in getting good art into the service of the Church.

At the last meeting of the General Convention, the Bishop of Michigan presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Architecture and the Allied Arts be continued with power to fill vacancies and add to its number.

However, this resolution seems not to have been brought up in the House of Deputies. The Joint Commission is most anxious to add to its number, and has in mind persons well fitted to be of very great assistance in this work. However, because of the doubt as to whether it had the authority to do so, the Commission has not felt it ought to add to its number.

The Commission sincerely hopes that the present Convention will pass the above resolution, so that it may take advantage of the powers therein given.

The Commission respectfully calls the attention of the members of the Convention to an exhibition, held under its auspices, in the Ohio Room of the Daughters of the American Revolution Hall. Some of the material there exhibited, it expects, later, to incorporate in a book or series of books, which the Commission hopes to publish. This book or books, in general, will be concerned, first with churches seating up to 150, with churches seating from 150 to 250, with churches seating from 250 to 500, with churches seating from 500 to 1,000. There will also be certain other divisions based upon price. For instance, special consideration will be given to small churches which might be built for from $10,000 to $15,000 and so on.

In conclusion, your Commission earnestly requests co-operation and assistance. The Secretary especially calls attention to the paragraph of
this report, in which the clergy and building committees are urged to send in photographs or other records of churches recently completed or proposed.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

THE RIGHT REVEREND WILLIAM T. MANNING, D.D., Chairman.

THE REVEREND MILDRED H. GATES, D.D., Secretary.

THE RIGHT REV. THOMAS F. DAVIDES, D.D.

THE RIGHT REV. HERMAN PAGE, D.D.

THE REVEREND DANIEL D. ADDISON, D.D.

THE REVEREND WILLIAM J. DIXON

DR. RALPH ADAMS CRAM

MR. CHARLES STEELE

MR. OSCAR H. MURRAY

APPENDIX XI.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE REVISION OF THE LECTIONARY

After full consideration of all Lessons submitted to it, the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Lectionary, appointed by the General Convention, have adopted as the basis of their report the series of Sunday Morning Lessons marked (b) in the Report of 1925, having carefully revised and amended them, and have added thereto a series of Lessons for Sunday Evenings constructed on the same general plan.

The Commission knows all too well the difficulty of its task. There is much to be said for the plan of reading the Bible in order; but for Sundays, there is still more to be said for the choice of arresting passages under a topical arrangement; first, following the Christian Year, and then illustrating the chief difficulties and triumphs of the Christian Life. The Commission has endeavored to relate in each case the First Lesson to the Second, that some great truth might be driven home by the Scripture read in the Church. Brief introductions, it is hoped, will tend to make this teaching clear.

If this Sunday Lectionary departs somewhat from the usual form of Lectionaries, it conforms closely to the principle of the selection of the Epistles and Gospels, which, after all, should be our chief guide in the selections of portions of Scripture to be read in the Church. There is a growing conviction that the Sunday Lessons should be so chosen that people will be compelled to listen to them, and will thereby learn what God would say to them out of His Word.

The Commission also recommend Tables of Lessons for Week-days, Holy Days, and certain Special Occasions. The Week-day Lessons are arranged to provide ample opportunity for consecutive Bible reading.

During the time in which the Lectionary has been under revision, the Clergy have become accustomed to a wide choice of Lessons. Since this freedom has not been abused, the Commission recommend the adoption of a resolution according full liberty, believing that the section on page viii. of the present Prayer Book entitled, The Order How the Rest of Holy Scripture Is Appointed to be Read, is part of the Lectionary, and may therefore be revised by vote of a single General Convention, in accordance with Article X. of the Constitution. If this resolution is adopted, the Commission trust that the Lessons commended by the Gen-
eral Convention, and appointed as the Lectionary of the Church will be of sufficient appropriateness to warrant their general use throughout the Church without any command for their exclusive use.

The Commission therefore offer the following resolutions:

(1) Resolved, the House of ................. concurring, That the appended Tables of Lessons for Sundays, Week-days, Holy Days, and Special Occasions, be adopted and printed in the Book of Common Prayer in place of the Tables of Lessons on pages ix. to xxiii. inclusive.

(2) Resolved, the House of ................. concurring, That in "The Order How the Rest of Holy Scripture Is Appointed to be Read," on page viii. of the Prayer Book, all following the first paragraph be omitted, and that the following be substituted therefor: "The following Tables are intended to secure the reading of appropriate portions of Holy Scripture for the several days and seasons of the Church Year. But the Minister may shorten any Lesson, or substitute another, at his discretion."

(3) Resolved, the House of ................. concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Lectionary be discharged.

For the Commission,

CHARLES L. SLAGGERY, Chairman.
T. W. HARRIS, Secretary.

APPENDIX XII.

REPORT OF THE ARMY AND NAVY COMMISSION

The Army and Navy Commission has the honor to present this its Third Triennial Report to the General Convention:

To the Bishops and Clergy of the Church:

The work of the Army and Navy Commission of the Church is one that should engage the deep interest of the Bishops and Clergy generally of the Church. In certain aspects of it, it is as important in days of peace as in time of war. During the past few months, since I became Chairman of the Commission and of the Executive Committee, I have been in correspondence with every one of our Chaplains in both branches of the service. I find that, widely scattered as they are, they are very responsive to suggestions that come to them from the Commission. Their work differs very largely from that of the average parish priest. They are wholly detached and are therefore denied the inspiration that comes from fellowship with their brethren. My reports lead me to believe that the work they are doing is being splendidly carried on with high consecration and utter devotion. It has been made increasingly evident of late that, if the Chaplains in the service were canonically related to the Diocese of Washington, which is their normal headquarters as representatives of the Army and Navy, they would feel that here at the Capital they had in the Chairman of the Commission one who could serve them more largely than their Diocesan Bishops. There are matters that concern their office that might, through the Bishop of Washington, receive a consideration now denied them. Already several transfers have been made to this jurisdiction, and I am hoping with the consent of the Diocesan Bishops and of the Chaplains them-
selves that sooner or later those who are assigned to the Chaplains Corps will find themselves a part of our diocesan life.

In connection with appointments of Chaplains to vacancies, in both branches of the service, it has always been found exceedingly difficult when opportunity is afforded to secure the right men. Lately I made appeal through the Church papers, to Bishops and Clergy to advise me of men who had a peculiar aptitude for this kind of work. It ought to be possible through the co-operation of Bishops and Clergy to have a list of men who are eligible to the service. When a vacancy does occur in our quota we frequently find ourselves embarrassed in recommending to the Chief of Chaplains a man who by his own personal preference and aptitude can readily assume the duty of a Chaplain in the field. I take this further opportunity of making an appeal to my brethren to keep me advised of men who have fitness for this kind of Christian service, and who are willing to be considered as eligible to appointment.

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION

At a meeting of the Commission December 12, 1927, the Bishop of Washington was appointed Chairman of the Commission to succeed the Rt. Rev. Charles H. Brent, D.D., who resigned. The Rt. Rev. James DeWolf Perry, D.D., requested that the Commission relieve him of the office of Chairman of the Executive Committee. Thereupon the Bishop of Washington was elected Chairman of the Executive Committee. The Rt. Rev. Philip Cook, D.D., Bishop of Delaware, was elected to membership on the Commission to fill the vacancy by the resignation of Bishop Brent.


AIM AND PURPOSE OF THE COMMISSION

Your Commission has been represented by the Bishop of Washington and the Bishop of Rhode Island when the Secretary of War has called Conferences for two days in Washington of Army and Navy Officers, Chaplains and representatives of religious organizations. These Conferences have strengthened the interest of the Commission to the duty devolving upon the Christian citizenship of America "loyally to support the Military and Naval establishment for the defense of the Nation, and the duty no less of the Christian Church to offer such ministrations as should maintain the high moral and spiritual standards among men in all branches of this service." In this way your Commission has been encouraged to uphold the Church in its support of its Clergy who serve as our Chaplains. "While the military establishment is generally little understood by the people, there is probably no function of which the public has a more feeble conception than that of the religious life and training of the soldier." The aim and purpose of your Commission is to uphold the Chaplain and give him the support necessary to carry on.

*Members of the Executive Committee.
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SUPPORT OF CHAPLAINS

In the past three years your Commission has continued the important part of its work in giving moral and material support to the Chaplains in the Army and Navy. The special need for furthering and enlarging their usefulness is financial backing for such necessary incidental expenses in their work as could not well be borne by them personally and for which there are no military funds. This the Commission furnishes, giving each Chaplain a discretionary fund allowance of twenty-five dollars a month. A report of the expenditures of this fund is submitted each month by the Chaplain to the Secretary of the Commission. This fund permits the Chaplains to make the little necessary purchases that are so essential in ministering to the sick and needy and often is the determining factor that decides between a cramped meagre service and one of genuine helpfulness. These men have the right to expect the backing of the Church if the Nation is to require for this service the ablest representatives of the Christian Ministry. Great watchfulness is most essential when the sense of responsibility in this respect is low and public interest is cold. Human nature in barrack and fleet drifts into dangers more insidiously in time of peace than under the check and stimulus of war. The life of the Chaplain then has less romance but more opportunity for real and patient courage. Three Bishops receive sums ranging from $300.00 to $1,200.00 a year with which to maintain work in Military Posts and Naval Stations where no official appointment of Chaplains can be made.

COLONEL JOHN T. AXTON

At the close of the War the Government created the office of Chief of Chaplains for the more effective supervision and co-ordination of the Chaplains' work. The first to be appointed to this position was Colonel John T. Axton, who retired on April 1, 1927, after twenty-five years of valuable service to the War Department and to the Army Chaplains. Your Commission has had the benefit of frequent contact with Colonel Axton, whose presence at our Conferences and sympathetic counsel at all times has assisted the efforts of the Church to choose the right men for commissions and to make their ministry effective.

The successor to Colonel Axton, Colonel Edmund P. Easterbrook, as Chief of Chaplains, attended our last Conference of Church Chaplains held in Washington, D. C., April 24 and 25, 1928. Through him we appreciate having the continuance of the support and encouragement of this office.

The Commission has at all times had the hearty support and co-operation of the Chief of Chaplains both of the Army and the Navy.

EQUIPMENT

The Commission has furnished the Chaplains as usual with equipment without which their work would be sorely handicapped. Six portable Altars have been distributed, furnished with the usual vessels and linens. The whole outfit is in a compact box about the size of a suitcase and weighs sixteen pounds. The communion vessels when worn are resilvered and the altars kept in repair.

PRAYER BOOKS AND HYMNALS

Prayer Books and Hymnals are given to the Chaplains when requested. Of the Bishop White Prayer Book for Soldiers and Sailors, which contains practically all the offices of the Church, together with special
prayers and hymns, 5,695 have been distributed since October, 1925, with 685 musical hymnals which accompany the Bishop White Prayer Book. One thousand Bibles and Testaments have been given to fill in the supply which the Chaplains have on hand.

**Vestments**

The Commission furnished vestments for five Chaplains and gave one Chaplain a complete outfit to take the place of the set which had been lost. Wine and wafers have been supplied the Chaplains where no provision was made for their purchase.

**Altar Linens**

Altar linens have been supplied by the New York Altar Guild, the Philadelphia Altar Guild and the Altar Guild of St. Luke's Church, Convent Avenue, New York.

**Church Periodical Club**

The Church Periodical Club has been most generous in supplying the Chaplains at various times with Church papers, magazines, victrola records, theatrical paraphernalia, copies of the New Musical Hymnal and Chant Service books, Christmas and Easter cards, etc.

The assistance rendered by these organizations is greatly appreciated by the Commission.

**Library of the Commission for Use of Chaplains**

Arrangements are under way for the enlargement of the library of books, which are selected with great care by a special committee. These books have been circulated among the Chaplains and have been constantly in demand.

**Chaplains' Conferences**

The Commission has continued, in connection with its Spring or Autumn meeting, to assemble annually the Church Chaplains of the Army and Navy for a Conference of two days at either Governors Island, New York, or the Washington Cathedral, when they meet representatives of the Church and of the Government. These Conferences have proved to be a very important part of the life of the Chaplains, as we get together, formulate plans, and cultivate fellowship among the Chaplains, and it has also given them great stimulus because they feel they are not left to face their problems and order their lives and work in isolation.

These Conferences have been under the leadership of the Rev. H. Percy Silver, D.D., as a Committee of one, who arranges a most interesting and varied program, including addresses by representatives of the Diocese, Columbia University, the University of New York, Government officials and members of the Commission, etc., celebrations of the Eucharist, evening services, sessions for consultation on the Chaplains' duties, and needs, and entertainment. It has been most pleasing to your Commission to note the interest of the Commandant and Officers of the Post not only in giving generous hospitality but in attendance at the meetings and services.

The report of the Treasurer is herewith submitted and appended, with a list of the Clergy who are serving as Regular Commissioned Army and Navy Chaplains and Chaplains in the Officers' Reserve Corps.

Your Commission asks to be continued with power to fill vacancies.

CLAYTON E. WHEAT, Secretary.

September 27, 1928.

JAMES E. FREEMAN, Chairman.
APPENDIX XIII.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON ADAPTING THE OFFICE OF DEACONESS TO PRESENT TASKS OF THE CHURCH

Your Commission, on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the Present Tasks of the Church as appointed at New Orleans in 1925, has organized with Bishop Rhinelander as Chairman, and the Rev. Dr. Davis as Secretary. It has added to its membership Deaconess Stewart, of the Church Training and Deaconess House in Philadelphia, and Mrs. Emily Newell Blair, of Joplin, Missouri. It has held two meetings in September, 1927, and April, 1928. It will meet again in Washington on the eve of the General Convention.

I. Your Commission is minded at this time to make only a short report. We are frankly conscious on our part of a double failure; first, to win for our unanimous decisions and recommendations the confidence and support of General Convention; second (what is more significant), to impress General Convention with the importance of the subject matter committed to us. This our second failure is the more significant because it lies behind and explains the first. Your Commission has the hardihood to believe that, if General Convention were more alive to, and more familiar with, the need and opportunity for the work of trained women in the Church, and for adapting the office of Deaconess to this need, our reports to previous Conventions would have met with a more interested and more favorable reception. We can not but feel that the debates and discussions on this subject in recent General Conventions have been largely abstract and academic; concerned rather with difficult and debatable questions and theories of Church order than with an actual situation in our Church life, recognized as critical and as demanding adequate and effective treatment. Legislative action is apt to be slow and hesitating unless the matter in hand is felt to be pertinent and pressing. It is a notable fact that in other branches of the Anglican Communion, particularly in the Church of England, provision for, and recognition of, the ministry of women in the Church has far outstripped not only our own present legislation but even the most radical proposals of your Commission which in the past have been made only to be rejected. We believe this is to be accounted for simply by the fact that there is a livelier interest in, and a better understanding of, the situation with our sister Communions than is the case with us. For our part we cannot conscientiously decline from the positions we have taken in the past. But we frankly recognize a fault in us that we have not set forth our conclusions more persuasively and diligently.

II.

Your Commission is therefore more concerned for future discussion than for present programs. We shall ask to be continued in the hope that by well-considered and persistent effort we may succeed better than in the past in gaining the attention, informing the mind, and stirring the conscience of the Church, in regard to the whole matter of the work and ministry of women. In this we hope for the co-operation of the Woman's Auxiliary.

A few years ago a most excellent and comprehensive survey was made and printed, by the Auxiliary, of the whole field of women's work. This survey has not received the attention it deserves. Your Commission hopes to use it, and similar sources of information, in bringing the facts
before the Church. There can be no question either of the openings and opportunities now offered to women for spiritual service, nor of the number of women ready and competent to take advantage of them. The tragic feature of the situation is that so far the Church has rather notoriously failed to connect the supply with the demand. Many women of our own membership who offer themselves for spiritual service find that they must look elsewhere for their opportunities.

The regular and recognized agencies within the Church for women's work, notably the Order of Deaconesses, do not apparently attract them. It is unjust to charge them either with apathy or with disloyalty. Rather it is the Church which has not understood their minds and motives, and has been unwilling, or at least unready, to mark the signs of the times and to open the doors at which her children knock, and through which they are prepared to pass to loyal service, under the Church's authority and guidance. If the General Convention sees fit to give us a renewed lease of life, we pledge ourselves definitely to the task of diligent investigation and of persistent education.

III.

In regard to the question of pensions or retiring allowances for Deaconesses your Commission realizes the need is an increasing one, for many Deaconesses have insufficient provision for their needs when they retire from active service. We feel that the General Church should, and some day will, assume its just responsibility in this matter. We are glad to report that a very significant, if modest, beginning has been made by the devoted and unselfish energy of the Deaconesses themselves. There is now an incorporated body entitled The Retiring Fund for Deaconesses which has at present a total of invested funds, or capital, of $2,816.42. But it is likely to attract attention and support, and we are therefore asking the Convention to pass a resolution endorsing it.

IV.

In regard to the Canon on Deaconesses, as passed by the last General Convention, although some of its provisions do not seem likely to be found permanently satisfactory, your Commission offers only one amendment, namely that the last sentence of Section I. be changed so as to read: “A Deaconess who marries shall not continue to exercise her office.” The present reading, “Her office shall be vacated by marriage,” seems to your Commission misleading and ambiguous. In the Canon as presented by us at the last General Convention, no reference at all was made to the possibility of the marriage of a Deaconess or to any penalty to be incurred thereby. And we still strongly prefer this course. But if there is to be any such reference, we would deplore the present form, because of its exaggerated penal emphasis, and because it leaves quite open the really important question as to whether “vacating her office” means simply ceasing from her active service, or permanently losing her status as a Deaconess. The phraseology now suggested as a substitute would seem to state more clearly and unequivocally what the last General Convention had in mind.

V.

As to the Service of Admission, it will be recalled that, although amendments to the Service as presented by your Commission to the last General Convention were adopted by each of the two Houses separately, there was no concurrent action, save by a final and somewhat hasty vote referring the whole matter to the Commission on the Prayer Book.
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In view of this, your Commission has found itself in a somewhat difficult position. After much discussion, we have decided to stand by the Service of Admission as we prepared it in 1925. It represents much careful thought and study by those of us who were most familiar with the subject matter and most competent to deal with it. We are not now asking that any Service be included in the Prayer Book. We are only asking that there be set forth for general use in the Church, at the discretion of each Bishop in his Diocese, a Service which, at least for the time, shall serve as a norm or standard, and shall have the approval of competent authority. If the Prayer Book Commission shall see fit, with this in mind, to present our Service of 1925, as an appendix to its own report, we shall be satisfied and grateful. Failing this, it is our purpose to refer it to the House of Bishops, with the request that they give it such approval and authorization as they have given to similar services in the past.

VI.

Your Commission therefore would offer the following resolutions:

(1) Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon XXIV. (on Deaconesses) Section 1, be amended by striking out the last sentence and by substituting therefor the following: "A Deaconess who marries shall not continue to exercise her office."

(2) Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the Present Tasks of the Church be continued for the special purpose of carrying forward the study and discussion of the Survey of Women Workers in the Church prepared for the Woman's Auxiliary in 1923, and making such further survey along these lines as may be necessary.

(3) Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention heartily approves the Retiring Fund for Deaconesses, and commends it to the sympathy and support of the Church.

Signed for the Commission,

PHILIP M. RHINELANDER, Chairman.

CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

APPENDIX XIV.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION TO STUDY THE WHOLE PROBLEM OF DIVORCE—ITS CONDITIONS AND CAUSES

At the last General Convention action was taken providing for the appointment of a Joint Commission to study the whole problem of divorce, its conditions and causes. Your Commission has held seven meetings in New York and one in Washington. At two meetings six members were present, at two seven were present, and at two eight members were present; clear evidence of the fact that all felt the serious responsibility of their task. On the soul of no man did the subject of divorce lie more heavily than on that of Bishop Guerry. He traveled long distances to attend meetings and our report owes much to his earnest counsel and help. One of his last acts was to send a check for the work of the Commission.
When the Commission faced the task of a real study of the problem of divorce the difficulties seemed well nigh overwhelming. If results of value were to be obtained it was clearly necessary to secure a full time director for the work and Miss Dorothy W. Hughitt was secured for the position. We have spent about $5,000 which was raised through the efforts of George W. Wickesham and various members of the Commission. In view of the recognized importance of the subject the Commission felt the need of making a report of considerable length, because a brief statement would of necessity seem more or less dogmatic. The full report is too long to read before the Convention and would doubtless prove too long for the average reader. Therefore, it has seemed wise to include as a part of our report this brief summary of its contents together with our recommendations.

The obvious need in dealing with the subject of divorce is a better understanding of the problem itself. Judges, lawyers, clergymen, and social workers—who would appear qualified to speak on the subject—suggest various causes and remedies frequently quite different from one another. Many of the causes given are doubtless real causes, and many of the proposed remedies have great value; but clearly they deal with the problem only in a partial or superficial way. What is needed is the same thorough study and diagnosis that are characteristic of all good engineering and medical work today.

A glance at some of the causes makes clear the great need of such study. Hasty marriages and the lack of uniform divorce laws are commonly given as causes of divorce; and it is maintained that plans for preventing hasty marriages and the adoption of uniform marriage and divorce laws throughout the United States would greatly diminish divorce in this country. The difficulty with these suggestions is the fact that the divorce rate has been rapidly increasing all over the world. In recent years it has more than doubled in many European countries. England and Canada have uniform and strict divorce laws and the banns are frequently published in the Churches of these two countries. In Canada the divorce rate is indeed low but it is mounting rapidly and the United States census reports show that in 1922 there were divorced in the United States 1,368 couples who had been married in Canada. In London the average number of divorces granted in 1901-05 was 563; in the years 1920-25 the average number was 2,734.

City conditions as compared with rural conditions and apartment house life are often cited as causes of divorce; but there are many who think that the divorce rate of our cities is considerably increased by the influx of people from the rural districts; and apartment house life has been a characteritic of European cities for many years.

Lack of children is another cause commonly given for divorce. In many cases this is doubtless correct but more careful consideration of the subject shows that thousands of divorced people have children. In fact, desertion which is often called the poor man's divorce is commonly attributed to the fact that there are too many children.

There are others who feel that the increase in divorce is due to the fact that our Christian Church does not take the same firm stand that is taken by the Church of Rome in regard to the indissolubility of marriage. Conditions in Roman Catholic countries, however, are by no means reassuring, and studies of conditions in this country show that the desertion rate among so-called Roman Catholics is deplorably high. It should be said, however, that the whole subject of religious affiliation is one which requires careful investigation because many people claim a church connection whose relation to the Church is purely nominal.
Another cause frequently given is that of financial tension, but there is no reason to think that finances are the cause of more unhappiness in the relation of husband and wife than in any other relations of life. Finances are a constant source of difficulty between human beings everywhere.

Undoubtedly one of the most serious causes of divorce is sex tension between husband and wife. Miss McChristie of the Hamilton County Court of Cincinnati in speaking of six hundred cases that have recently come to her attention says that in 583, or 90 per cent. of them, there was sex maladjustment. Indeed, many students of the problem feel that tension of the sex relationship is the most general cause of divorce.

This extreme point of view, however, is questioned by leading psychologists and physicians, who maintain that the sex instincts are in turn controlled by the emotions. This is made clear by the fact that on the one hand the sex instincts are so frequently perverted, and that on the other their sublimation is the recognized cause of much that is highest and noblest in human life.

Another fundamental cause of divorce is found in the great changes that have recently taken place in the ideal of family life. The family used to be the economic unit of life. Outside of rural districts, it remains so no longer. Since the Reformation, the gospel of individualism has been given increased emphasis, putting women on an equal status with men. Moreover, in the last few generations there has been a steady growth of the so-called romantic view of life, which, in the minds of many men and women would make marriage one long honeymoon. This makes pleasure the test of life rather than duty or suffering. Therefore, when marriage ceases to furnish the expected happiness, many people feel they are justified in seeking that happiness elsewhere.

In trying to determine the standards of successful marriage, your Committee soon recognized the necessity of securing a control group, i.e., a considerable number of people who have been happily married, who would describe in detail the conditions of their childhood, their early training, their outlook toward marriage, their relations during courtship and the various conditions of their married life. It is obvious that we must have a clear idea of what constitutes a happy marriage, if we are going to study this subject to advantage. As yet it has proven impossible to secure the information necessary for the formation of such a group. Next your Commission sent out a request for information to the various Social Service Commissions of the Church and also to various social agencies. This request has to deal with the most intimate matters of life and the difficulties of securing answers by mail proved insurmountable. Indeed, it soon became apparent that if we were to secure this personal information, it must be done by trained investigators.

Then a questionnaire was sent to about eight hundred clergymen of our own Church and to a similar number of ministers of the Presbyterian, the Methodist, the Congregational, and the Baptist Churches. There were three questions of primary importance. The first was in regard to the amount of divorces among parishioners where both husband and wife were recognized as regular attendants at Church. The answers from the clergymen of all these churches indicated that the number of divorces where both parties attended Church, was exceedingly small. In fact in over 80 per cent. of all their churches these clergymen did not remember any such divorces at all. The figures make it reasonably clear that divorces are mainly confined to men and women who are not regular Church attendants and that divorce is relatively
rare among those who are regular members of the community. It seems clear that the problem is confined to those who are outside the pale and direct influence of the Church.

The next question was in regard to the extent to which clergymen were consulted in regard to marital difficulties. The reports are disturbing because they indicate that a small percentage of church people go to their clergymen with their troubles.

The next question had to do with the amount of training given for marriage. It would appear that little is done along this line by the clergymen of any of the Communions mentioned. Many of them preach on the subject and on other subjects that deal with character building. Sermons cannot be classed as moral training. Such training to be effective must be given individually.

Character training is generally recognized as a primary responsibility of the Church. While it would appear that those who remain in vital relation with the Christian Church are rarely divorced, nevertheless, many persons connected with our Churches have been divorced and multitudes at some time or other have doubtless been connected with the Church and especially with our Church schools. Therefore, the Church has a heavy responsibility in this matter.

In character training, next to the emotions, nothing is more important than right ideals of life. Hence one of the first responsibilities of the Church is to hold up the ideal of marriage presented by Christ himself, viz: the life-long union of one man with one woman. This ideal is based on the physical and spiritual laws of human society. Indeed many of our thinkers feel that the monogamous family is the final term in a long evolutionary series. Clearly the family is the most fundamental of our institutions. Not only socially but educationally it is far more important than any of our schools and in the years of infancy moulds for better or for worse the character of our future men and women.

The great problem, however, is not so much to state the Christian ideal of marriage as to know how to make this ideal effective. One of the most common suggestions in this line is to make marriage indissoluble as does the Church of Rome; but it is to be remembered that even Rome allows the annulment of marriage on many grounds, whereas our Canons make no definite provision for annulment or divorce except on the one ground of adultery. Clearly our Canon in regard to marriage and divorce should be carefully studied with this subject of annulment in mind.

There are others that feel that nothing is more important than to separate the religious from the civil ceremonies, having marriages legalized by the state and then providing under proper conditions for the blessing of the Church, in case it is desired. Your Commission believes that this whole question should be thoroughly studied.

Finally, there are those who feel that the Church should be allowed greater freedom of divorce than is allowed at the present time.

In any event, the greatest need today is for more homes that are really animated by the ideals of Jesus Christ. In the first few centuries of the Church's life, its teaching in regard to marriage won its way in the face of the most adverse conditions and bitter persecution, showing the power of right ideals to prevail because of their inherent worth. For the development of such homes we require the right sort of training for marriage and the right sort of education in religion which shall build up the sort of character in men and women that will produce real Christian homes.
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Your Commission, therefore, offers the following recommendations:

1. That our Normal Schools, Colleges, Universities, and Seminaries be asked to offer more instruction on the subject of human relationships, especially on the subject of marriage.

2. That the Clergy of this Church be urged to give training for marriage a conspicuous place in their programs.

3. That Social Service Commissions be asked to give special attention to the whole problem of marriage and divorce.

It also offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of .......... concurring, That this Commission be continued with the understanding that it co-operate with other agencies, to secure a scientific study of the whole subject of marriage and divorce, including the study of the moral and religious factors; and that the Commission study and report to the next Convention, first on the ecclesiastical and Canon law of this Church in relation to marriage, divorce, and the annulment of marriage, and second, on the relation between civil and religious marriage, and for the purpose of making these special studies the Commission have power to add to its number.

HERMAN PAGE, Chairman,
PERCY C. KAMMERER, Secretary.

The full report may be obtained from the Secretary, 325 Olivir Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

APPENDIX XV.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

At the meeting of the General Convention of 1925 held in New Orleans, La., after hearing the Report of the Joint Committee on Evangelism, the following resolution was passed unanimously:

"Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this House requests the appointment of a National Commission on Evangelism, acting under the Presiding Bishop and financed by the National Council, and that said Commission be appointed by the Presiding Bishop on and after January 1, 1926, with a view to correlating and unifying all evangelistic efforts in the Church."

Acting under the above resolution the Presiding Bishop appointed the following persons to be members of the Commission for three years from January 1, 1926: The Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop Coadjutor of Albany, the Bishop of East Carolina, the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, D.D., the Rev. Arthur J. Gammack, the Rev. John S. Bunting, the Very Rev. G. R. E. MacDonald, Mr. Courtenay Barber, Mr. Willard Warner, Mr. Samuel Thorne, Mr. John Stewart Bryan.

The Bishop of East Carolina, having been designated Chairman, called the members together at once and organization was completed by the selection of Rev. Arthur J. Gammack to be Secretary, and Mr. Samuel Thorne, Treasurer.

After careful deliberation it was decided the initial step in a Program of Evangelism should take the form of a nation-wide effort to rouse the people of the Church to a sense of their responsibilities as Chris-
tians. To this end the Commission prepared for and carried through the spiritual movement known as the Bishops' Crusade to emphasize the essentials of the Christian Gospel and to call the membership of the Church to a rededication in life and service to our Lord Jesus Christ.

Prior to actual preparation for the Crusade, the Chairman of the Commission visited practically every section of the Church in this country and held conferences with Bishops, Presbyters and Laymen in many of the larger cities and centers. The next step was to establish contacts and arrange for definite Diocesan organization. The promotion of such a plan depended not only on the willing and enthusiastic co-operation of the Bishops of the various Dioceses, but also the appointment and active assistance of a Committee or Commission on Evangelism in each Diocese, through which, with the approval of the Bishop, definite contacts with the Clergy and people of each Diocese could be established.

The response to this effort was so prompt and enthusiastic that, with one or two exceptions, every Diocese and Missionary District in the Church had the simple but effective machinery of a well organized Committee or Commission on Evangelism when the Crusade began in the Epiphany season of 1926. The Church acted in unison on the plan. As the idea developed and the thought caught fire the original intent which was to call for a hundred crusaders to go out to as many places in central parts of the United States had to be enlarged to meet the greater demand and nearly three hundred Bishops, Presbyters and Laymen were enlisted for this cause, divided as follows: seventy-five Bishops, one hundred and seventy-five Presbyters and more than fifty Laymen and women.

Even the setting up of Diocesan organizations and selection of crusaders could not have proved successful for such an enterprise had not the entire Church been thoroughly informed of the importance of the movement and the objections clearly stated. It is with sincere gratitude that the Commission acknowledges the important service rendered by the Chairman and other officers of the Publicity Department of the National Council in this matter.

In addition to publicity through the usual channels of the secular and religious press certain literature which explained in detail the purpose and proposed method of the Crusade and on the general subject of Evangelism had to be prepared and distributed. For this purpose a special Committee not limited to the membership of the Commission, was selected, who did this work so admirably that in response to an insistent demand between three and four million copies of printed matter of various kinds were sent out before and during the Crusade. This was done without expense to the National Council. The small price charged for these different pamphlets paid the printing bill of $13,000 despite the fact that more than $2,000 worth of printed matter was distributed free of charge.

From reports received from all parts of the country the Commission desire to record the conviction that the Bishops' Crusade was abundantly worth while. In spite of inadequate preparation in many Dioceses and faulty presentation of the objectives on the part of some who participated, the whole life of the Church was stirred and strengthened and a movement started which must not cease till the whole Church is aflame with a new passion for the souls of men.

In support of this conviction the Commission would note:

First: That the Bishops' Crusade enlisted the whole Church in a common task at the same time.
Second: That it demonstrated anew the need and importance of personal, pastoral Evangelism on the part of the Clergy.

Third: That it inspired a large number of Lay men and women to offer themselves for personal service in this organized effort.

Fourth: That it proved that we have men and women ready and willing to do their part as lay evangelists.

Fifth: That it was demonstrated that the call of Christ and Gospel appeal has lost none of its power to win and hold men and women.

To quote from the report of the Bishop of Colorado, Chairman of a sub-committee of this Commission in charge of the School of the Prophets:

"Your Committee believes that a door of opportunity is opening for the Church today of which there are many signs.

"First: A hunger and thirst after a reasonable faith. Religion and religious belief are matters of news and current interest as they never have been before.

"Second: A number of confessions in current literature from religious leaders of all kinds, to the effect that the pulpit of today is singularly ineffective, although the opportunity is great. Our organization, secular interest and sensational effort to achieve mere magnitude have supplanted the preparation for and delivery of the Word of God.

"Third: It is our observation that wherever in the Church we find a prophet who is preaching a reasonable religious faith in a kindly and convincing manner, the response is most gratifying.

"Fourth: The failure of man's wisdom to effect human character is as evident in America as it was on Mars Hill in the days of the Apostles. It is imperative the Church make adequate preparation for a season which promises great fertility."

Now what is to follow?

How shall the work be continued?

Is this to be simply a gesture or is it to result in experiences so real and significant that men and women will be constrained to go forward in Christ's Name to do Christ's work in Christ's way?

The answers to such questions must be made by the Bishops, Presbyters and Lay men and women of the Church.

Should it be the pleasure of this Convention to continue the National Commission on Evangelism it is proposed to follow this initial step with a continuing effort until Evangelism becomes a natural and normal part of the program and work of every Diocese and Parish; to arrange for Diocesan-wide and city-wide preaching missions and to inaugurate such efforts in at least one Diocese of every province during the coming year. These will be conducted by experienced Bishops, Presbyters and Laymen who have already agreed to give of their time for such service. Further—to send into college centers able leaders to preach, make addresses, conduct conferences and establish contacts with students.

The Commission will seek also to establish an annual School of Evangelistic preaching in each Province for the purpose of training both Clergy and Laity in this work—to use Summer Schools and Conferences for this purpose and ask that courses on Mission Preaching be inaugurated in the Seminary training, wherever practical.

This report would not be complete were the Commission to fail to make acknowledgment of the effective work accomplished by the various national organizations of the Church in the Crusade and to call attention
to the large part they may be expected to take in further efforts. The genuine value of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and the Daughters of the King was revealed in their ready and enthusiastic response and the Commission would unreservedly commend these organizations to the Bishops and Presbyters interested in advancing this work as most valuable aids in Diocesan and Parish effort.

The Woman's Auxiliary pledged their hearty co-operation in advance and as always more than redeemed the pledge given in the service they rendered.

The Commission would also express its appreciation of the work of the Church Army, that militant order of Laymen of the Church of England. The method of their presentation of the claims of Christ made instant appeal wherever they went and the Commission would not only commend in highest terms what has been done by its members, but express the hope that the Army may find a definite place in the life and organization of our American Church.

The Commission has been fortunate in securing the services of the Rev. William H. Milton, D.D., as Assistant to the Chairman of the Commission for a period of six months beginning September 1st last and he has consented by the Vestry of his Parish to give assistance and advice where it is desired for perfecting Diocesan organizations. The Vestry of his Parish have placed the whole Church under obligation by this act of loyalty to the interest of this movement in that they have, with no little sacrifice, made it possible for their Rector to give his whole time and study to this particular work for which he is eminently qualified.

Dr. Larkin W. Glazebrook, a well known physician of Washington, has relinquished his practice to devote all his time and energy to the work of the Commission among Laymen and has already demonstrated remarkable fitness and ability in this phase of the work.

The Rev. W. J. Loaring Clark, D.D., General Missioner of the Church, is giving his entire time to the conducting of Missions and training of Missioners.

These constitute the Field Staff of the Commission.

The Committee of the Commission which has charge of the School of the Prophets, of which the Bishop of Colorado is Chairman, will plan for a larger number of Training Schools for the Clergy than has been possible in the past.

The College of the Preachers in Washington, a work conceived by the Bishop as part of the Cathedral plan and made possible by the great generosity of a Layman of the Church, under the direction of Bishop Rhinelander and others he calls to his assistance, is bound to make a most important contribution to this work by the intensive courses in preaching offered by this School to selected groups of men who give promise of being leaders in the revival of effective evangelistic preaching throughout the Church.

Several changes have taken place in the personnel of the Commission since its creation. Mr. John Stewart Bryan was not able to serve and Mr. Ernest Davidson appointed in his place. Later Mr. Davidson found it necessary to resign and Mr. Frederic C. Morehouse was appointed. The faithful Secretary of the Commission, Rev. Arthur J. Gammack met a tragic and untimely death in April, 1927, and the Rev. Henry Wise Hobson was appointed to fill the vacancy. The Rt. Rev. Irving P. Johnson, D.D., resigned in 1927 but consented to continue to act as Chairman of the Committee on the School of the Prophets. The Rt. Rev. Philip Cook, D.D., was appointed to fill the vacancy in the Commission.
In bringing this report to an end the Commission would summarize results in the past and plans for the future by saying that there is abundant evidence based upon reports from every part of the country that the Bishops' Crusade inaugurated a kind of work most needed in the Church to meet the present conditions of materialism and worldliness; that there is practically a unanimous call that it be continued without diminution of interest and with greater efficiency. It is clearly demonstrated that the Church and country alike need the supreme message of the Evangel. The Church must, through the presentation of this message, meet the needs of a bewildered people groping for God and truth. On every hand and from many sources the Commission has received insistent demands for the continuance of this work and the Commission plans to meet that demand by careful organization and preparation through the assistance of men and women who worked in the Bishops' Crusade and others as they are discovered.

The Commission cannot think of the work so far accomplished as adequate in any sense. Only partial and fragmentary results have been obtained so far. It marks a definite beginning of what must go on. The Church has entered upon a work that is basic and fundamental. It must go forward in that work.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS C. DARST, Chairman.

APPENDIX XVI.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON A WORLD CONFERENCE ON FAITH AND ORDER, 1928

The General Convention of 1910, moved by the growing desire among all Christian people for the fulfillment of our Lord's prayer that all His disciples might be one, appointed a Joint Commission to bring about a world conference for the consideration of questions touching faith and order, and to ask all Christian communions throughout the world which confess the Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour to unite in arranging for and conducting such a conference.

The Conference thus initiated met in Lausanne, Switzerland, August 3 to 21, 1927. The successive steps by which it was brought about have been related in the reports of the Joint Commission to the General Conventions of 1913, 1916, 1919, 1922 and 1925. In the present report, the Commission desire to submit:

1. A brief record of their work from 1925 to 1927.
2. An account of the Lausanne Conference.
3. The documents received by the Conference for transmission to the Churches for their consideration.
4. Recommendations as to the next steps to be taken.

I. WORK OF THE COMMISSION, 1925 TO 1927

Changes in the membership of this Commission since the last report are as follows: the Rev. Frank H. Nelson, D.D., resigned December 11, 1925; Mr. Mortimer Matthews died September 1, 1927; and Mr. John Nicholas Brown was elected a member December 11, 1925. The officers
of the Commission as elected December 11, 1925, are the Rt. Rev. William T. Manning, D.D., Bishop of New York, President; George Zabriskie, D.C.L., Treasurer; the Rt. Rev. James DeWolf Perry, D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island, Chairman of the Executive Committee, and the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, Jr., Secretary. The Commission has held four meetings and the Executive Committee three meetings.

In accordance with the authorization given by General Convention, the Commission elected seven representatives to the Lausanne Conference and seven alternates, from a carefully selected list of names based upon suggestions invited from all the Bishops of the Church and from other leaders. Of those elected, seven were members of the Commission and seven were not members. In addition to these, our Church had also three ex officio representatives (by virtue of their membership on the Continuation Committee) and two representatives co-opted by vote of that Committee.

\textit{Ex Officio Representatives}

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\textit{Elected Representatives}

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D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island. & \textbf{Rev. George Craig Stewart, D.D.}  \\
Rev. B. Talbot Rogers, D.D. & \textbf{Mr. John Nicholas Brown.}  \\
Rev. W. Cosby Bell, D.D. & \textbf{Hon. George W. Wickersham, LL.D.}  \\
Frederic C. Morehouse, L.H.D. & \textbf{William C. Sturgis, Ph.D.}  \\
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Dean Fosbrooke was prevented by ill health from serving as a representative, and his place was filled at Lausanne by the Rev. George Craig Stewart. President Sills attended the entire period of the Conference and was seated as an alternate under the rules. The sudden death of Bishop Brown, in London, put a tragic end to the hope that he also would be present.

During the two years before the meeting of the Conference, the work of the Commission was closely linked with that of the Continuation Committee, representing all the participating Churches, through the appointment of its Secretary, the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, Jr., to the staff of that Committee, of which Bishop Brent was Chairman and Mr. Zabriskie Treasurer. Active efforts were continued to arouse in our own people understanding and expectation of the great event so soon to take place. Conferences were held in a number of centers—in California, Texas, Ohio, Massachusetts and Pennsylvania—and by spoken word and articles in the Church press anticipation was stimulated. A second conference with the Commission of the Presbyterian Church in the U. S. A. was
held in Chicago in March, 1926. The Octave of Prayer for Unity, through the hearty co-operation of the Woman's Auxiliary, was widely observed.

The Continuation Committee met at Berne, August 23 to 25, 1926, and took important action with regard to the agenda for the Conference, adopting a list of seven topics (including one new topic, "The Church's Message to the World—the Gospel") instead of the previous Draft Agenda, which had aroused adverse criticism. This change, which added greatly to the effectiveness of the Conference, was in accord with the advice of your Commission.

Special service of great value was done by Bishop Brent during the summer of 1926 in personally visiting, in spite of ill health, a number of the European Churches and securing their participation in the Conference. The impressive representation of the German Churches at Lausanne was due to his efforts. The able and painstaking work of another member of your Commission, Mr. Ralph W. Brown, then Head of the Secretariat and later elected General Secretary, must also be mentioned. To him was largely due the remarkable efficiency of the arrangements at Lausanne which called forth the admiration and gratitude of all who were at the Conference.

To provide for the cost of the Conference was a serious problem. The Business Committee decided to make a general appeal, through local committees in important centers in the United States, for gifts from individuals. In these local committees, as well as in the central Committee under the Chairmanship of the Hon. Charles Evans Hughes, Clergy and Laymen of our Church took a leading part, and it is gratifying to record that nearly one-half of the total amount contributed came from Episcopalians—including some exceedingly generous individual gifts. Members of your Commission took an active part in this successful effort which, by the careful management of the Treasurer of the Conference, Mr. George Zabriskie, provided in full for the many expenses of the preliminary work and of the Lausanne meeting.

These funds were given for the Continuation Committee and not for your Commission. They relieved the Commission, however, of the necessity of making grants they had expected to make to the Continuation Committee in 1927 and 1928, and thereby saved a portion of the funds appropriated by the last General Convention, as indicated in the Treasurer's Report herewith.

With the meeting of the Conference in Lausanne, your Commission had accomplished the object for which they were appointed. The executive office, maintained in Providence, R. I., since 1923, was therefore closed and the correspondence, Loan Library and other work of that office were transferred to the Secretariat of the Lausanne Continuation Committee, Box 226, Boston, Mass. The Executive Secretary, the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, Jr., who served at Lausanne as a member of the Conference staff, remained in London to assist Canon Bate in preparing the official volume of the Proceedings of the World Conference, which was published November 21st—a record feat. Upon his return he resigned his executive position, though continuing as Secretary of the Commission, in order to return to parochial work.

II. THE LAUSANNE CONFERENCE

After seventeen years of preparation the World Conference on Questions of Faith and Order met at Lausanne, Switzerland, August 3 to 21, 1927, and devoted sixteen working days to their appointed business. More
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September 15, 1925, to August 31, 1928

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Note: The Commission is still in debt to the Continuation Committee in the sum of $1,900 for expenses of delegates of this Church in traveling to and from Lausanne and staying there, which for convenience of the Commission has not yet been repaid.

George Zabriskie, Treasurer.
than ninety autonomous Churches, including the major Churches of Christendom with the exception of the Roman Communion, were represented by over 400 delegates and co-opted scholars.*

The representatives present from the Episcopal Church were as follows: *ex officio,* Rt. Rev. Charles H. Brent, D.D., Bishop of Western New York; Rt. Rev. William T. Manning, D.D., Bishop of New York, and Mr. George Zabriskie; elected by this Commission, Rt. Rev. Edward L. Parsons, D.D., Bishop of California; Rt. Rev. James DeWolf Perry, D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island; Rev. W. Cosby Bell, D.D., Rev. B. Talbot Rogers, D.D., Rev. George Craig Stewart, D.D., Dr. Frederic C. Morehouse and Dr. William C. Sturgis; co-opted by the Continuation Committee, Rev. Francis J. Hall, D.D., and Rev. Henry B. Washburn, D.D. President Kenneth C. M. Sills, an alternate, was also present throughout the Conference and took part in the discussions.

Bishop Brent was unanimously elected President of the Conference, and at his request Dr. A. E. Garvie (English Congregationalist) was elected Deputy Chairman, relieving Bishop Brent of much labor in presiding. Both of the Chairmen contributed greatly by their spirit and skill to the success of the Conference. Mr. George Zabriskie was re-elected Treasurer and Mr. Ralph W. Brown was elected General Secretary, the Conference expressing warm appreciation of their services.

The first act of the Conference upon assembling after the opening service was to adopt a tribute of grateful thanksgiving for the life and work of Robert Hallowell Gardiner, to whose devoted labors from the beginning of the movement until his death in June, 1924, the great gathering at Lausanne was so largely due. The Conference voted also to erect a memorial tablet in the church at Gardiner, Maine, his ancestral home.

The half-hour devotions with which each day's session began had notable effect in producing a religious atmosphere and in enabling the members to carry on the most frank discussions of differences in genuine friendliness and in mutual respect.

The order of procedure can be described here only in a summary way. Subject I., the Call to Unity, was presented on the first day in several addresses, and the report thereon, drafted by Bishop Brent, along with the preamble, also drafted by him, was unanimously adopted on the last day of the Conference. Subjects II., the Church's Message to the World, The Gospel; III., the Nature of the Church, and IV., the Church's Common Confession of Faith were each given a day in full session, with appointed papers and speeches, followed by discussion under ten-minute time limits for each speech and its interpretation. The English, French and German languages were used, and the work of the interpreters was done promptly and effectively. The opening speeches on each subject were available in printed translations at the time of delivery.

The next three days were devoted to sectional discussions of these subjects. The whole Conference was divided for this purpose into three sections, one for each subject, and each section was subdivided into groups of 20 to 25 members. Each group reported the results of their discussions to their own section, which in turn, with the aid of a drafting committee, drew up a report to the Conference. The sectional reports

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* A full official report of proceedings, edited by the Rev. Canon Bate of Carlisle, England, and entitled Faith and Order: Proceedings of the World Conference, Lausanne, August 3-21, 1927, was published in November, 1927 (New York, George H. Doran Co., 1927, price $2.50). The Reports of the World Conference on Faith and Order have also been published in a separate pamphlet and can be obtained gratis on application to the Secretariat, P. O. Box 226, Boston, Mass.
were discussed, and amendments were considered, in full sessions of the Conference, and then were re-drafted by a general committee before being submitted to final vote. When received by unanimous vote or nemine contradicente they became Statements of the Conference. Subjects V., the Church's Ministry, VI., the Sacraments, and VII., the Unity of Christendom and the Relation thereto of Existing Churches, were handled in the same method, except that volunteer discussions in full session were omitted for lack of time. In the outcome, Statement VII. in the form finally transmitted to the Churches was not adopted by the Conference, but is issued by the Continuation Committee only, as explained in the official pamphlet of Reports of the World Conference on Faith and Order.

The representatives of the Orthodox Eastern Churches, in a very kindly statement, announced their inability to vote for any of the documents except the Preamble and Reports I., the Call to Unity, and II., the Message of the Church. They consented, none the less, to refrain from voting on the subsequent reports, thus permitting Reports III.-VI. to be received nem. con. for transmission to the Churches. This pronouncement of the Orthodox has, of course, to be reckoned with, and should be read carefully by all who desire to understand the measure of concurrence in Reports III.-VI. (See pp. 382-386 of Faith and Order, edited by Canon Bate.)

The more determinative discussions at Lausanne were very intimate, informal and frank; their details are not published for lack of space. They were highly educational, and led to many interesting friendships. The subsequent discussions of the reports in full session gave opportunity to all sections of the Conference to take part in the final shaping of the reports. Considering the numerous differences, some very acute, which had to be faced, the success of the Conference in finally receiving for transmission to the Churches six of its reports, without a divided vote, was amazing, and ever since has seemed to be due to the overruling of the Holy Spirit.

None the less, these reports are registers of discussions, rather than committals of the individual members to the specific propositions affirmed in them. They are not transmitted to the Churches as formal agreements or "resolutions" to be ratified, but as material for consideration, discussion and further conference. It is to be remembered that the expressed purpose of the World Conference which your Commission was appointed in 1910 to bring about was educational. Its aim was to promote mutual understanding between Christian Communions throughout the world, both of their agreements and of their differences. Faithfulness to convictions was clearly premised; and in order that no Communion might be deterred from sending delegates through fear of compromising committals, it was stipulated that the Conference should be limited to "study and discussion, without power to legislate or to adopt resolutions."

When the Conference assembled, indications emerged that its aim and proper business was not clearly understood by all, and the Rules of Procedure submitted for adoption, in particular Rule 7, appeared to contemplate an attempt to secure the adoption of Statements of Agreement without that frank facing of differences which was required by the original purpose of the Conference. If this changed plan had been pursued such Statements as could have secured the stipulated unanimous or nem. con. adoption would have been either inconsequential or (in those matters most urgently requiring mutual understanding) hopelessly ambiguous. Better counsels prevailed; and, largely through the efforts of
the representatives of this Church, the Rule referred to was so amended as to require an indication of differences as well as agreements in all statements adopted. Entire frankness of discussion was thus assured.

Even so, it soon appeared that many delegates were fearful of compromising committals, and the possibility of obtaining the required measure of assent to the findings submitted to vote seemed at one time to be very doubtful. The difficulty was partly met by inserting in the last paragraph of the Preamble, at the suggestion of one of our representatives, the saving clause, "Though we recognize the reports to be neither exhaustive nor in all details satisfactory to every member of the Conference, we submit them to the Churches for that deliberate consideration which could not be given in the brief period of our sessions." Still further to fortify the purpose of avoiding compromising committals, a resolution offered from another quarter was adopted, providing that the reports should not be "adopted," but merely "received for transmission to the Churches."

Thus the originally stipulated limitations of the Conference were safeguarded, freedom of discussion was secured, and the members were enabled to vote nemoe contra dicente for transmission to the Churches of reports of discussions rather than "resolutions" that would commit the members to precise conclusions on the questions of Faith and Order discussed by them. In other words, the Conference was educational rather than determinative, and initiated rather than completed the "study and discussion" for which it was assembled. In thus initiating such "study and discussion" it accomplished its true aim and, by the grace of God, accomplished this in surprising degree.

III. THE REPORTS RECEIVED BY THE LAUSANNE CONFERENCE FOR TRANSMISSION TO THE PARTICIPATING CHURCHES

These documents have been published by the Continuation Committee in a special pamphlet (No. 55, January, 1928) and your Commission hereby submit them in that form as a part of their report.

APPENDIX XVII.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHRISTIAN HEALING

Your Joint Commission has spent the past three years investigating the work being done by Clergy who have made Spiritual Healing part of their regular parochial work. Members of the Commission have held numerous conferences with both Clergy and Laity to learn their attitude towards the principles upon which the practice of Spiritual Healing is believed to rest.

Data relating to this has been gathered from many sources, such as: the personal experiences of members of the Commission; the experiences of other persons having immediate contact with this work; the results of the work of the Societies whose time is devoted to teaching and practicing the principles of Spiritual Healing; work being done by Clergy and others in our own as well as in other Christian communities; the experiences of missionaries and native Christians in foreign fields.

The Commission finds little uniformity in the outward forms that this widespread belief in Spiritual Healing takes in actual practice, but
it finds that the belief itself is deep, sincere and helpful to those who hold it.

In our own Church the methods used are largely influenced by the type of churchmanship of the Clergyman who tries, through faith in the promises of Christ and through prayer for His healing grace, to bring to suffering men and women the healing of body, mind and character. The forms under which this is being done are many. The spirit in which it is being done is the same—the spirit of obedience to the Master’s command to teach and to heal.

Your Commission does not in this report attempt to present in detail the actual experiences above referred to. These vary from the testimony of first-hand experiences of physicians and surgeons and psycho-therapists, on the one hand to the testimony of many parish priests and the hearsay testimony of persons of unquestioned veracity, on the other.

The conclusions your Commission draws from the study of these data are that throughout the world, Spiritual Healing is no longer the hope of a few, but the belief and practice of a large and rapidly increasing number of persons; that such Healing is an experience of mankind that can no longer be questioned; that while faith in any supposed remedy produces some effects, vital faith in God, as revealed in Christ, is followed by results, which are more sure, more lasting and of a more evidently spiritual character.

We also call attention to the Office for the Visitation of the Sick, which is set forth in the Book of Common Prayer for the use of the parish priest as a normal part of his pastoral work.

We reaffirm our conviction, expressed in our last report to the General Convention, that the ministry of healing in the Church should be exercised, so far as it is possible, in co-operation with medical science and practice.

Because your Commission has arrived at these conclusions as the result of the past six years of its study of this subject, we beg leave to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That this General Convention thankfully recognizes the deepening of the spiritual life of the Church which has come through the growing recognition of the healing power of God.

That it commends to the attention of the Church such efforts as are being made by trained men and women, under the sanction of Episcopal authority, to awaken men to the truth of Spiritual Healing.

And further, that it recommends that the Theological Schools in their teaching give increased attention to the whole subject of “The Cure of Souls,” emphasizing prayer as an expression of a living rather than of a formal faith.

Resolved, That this Commission be continued, with power to add to its numbers and fill vacancies.

THEODORE IRVING REESE, Chairman,
FRANKLYN COLE SHERMAN, Secretary Pro-tem.

APPENDIX XVIII.
NEW DIOCESE OF EAU CLAIRE

The State of Wisconsin covers 56,066 square miles, about equally divided between the Dioceses of Milwaukee and Fond du Lac. It is the fourth largest state east of the Mississippi River.
The Diocese of Milwaukee offers the most difficult problem of administra-
tion of any Diocese in the American Church. It consists of the
southern portion of the state together with a string of counties running
along the Mississippi River all the way up to Lake Superior—a total
of 27,000 square miles with 107 parishes and missions. With one excep-
tion there is no other Diocese in the Church having as large an area
and at the same time as many parishes and missions. That one excep-
tion is the Diocese of Los Angeles which is more compact and easy of
access than the far-reaching Diocese of Milwaukee.

In his see city, the Bishop of Milwaukee is nearer St. Louis than he is to the farthest parish in his own jurisdiction.

When he makes a visitation in Superior, Wis., he is journeying as
far as though he were making visitations in Des Moines, Iowa, Spring-
field, Ill., Indianapolis, Ind., Louisville, Ky., Columbus, Ohio, or London,
Ont. Similar visitations over no larger a circle centering on New York
would send him to Portland, Montreal, Toronto, Buffalo, Pittsburgh,
and Richmond.

Consequently it has been physically impossible for the northwestern
part of Wisconsin to receive the episcopal supervision which is needed
and desired. For many years that portion of the state has led a com-
munity life of its own with interests facing elsewhere than Milwaukee.
Business houses and fraternal orders have long since established branches
in those northwestern counties to operate independently of Milwaukee
centers. Only the Church has delayed because of financial inability to
operate a separate Diocesan jurisdiction.

Northwestern Wisconsin is a steadily growing section, with several
fair-sized cities, a large number of smaller communities, and an exten-
sive rural area. The towns have a sound background of steady growth.
The country districts have a stable foundation in the dairy business
(one of these counties was the first in the country to qualify one hun-
dred per cent. in the area test for dairy cattle). The quick turnover
of the old lumber business is almost through, a new era of stable
development taking its place. The real life of this section of the country
is all in the future. The St. Lawrence water-way will open large oppor-
tunities in the lake-shore cities; the re-opening of the Mississippi River
for commercial purposes gives similar promise to the river towns. The
summer population grows every year, attracted by the natural beauties
of rivers, lakes, woods, and hills. Within fifteen miles of the village of
Hayward there are thirty summer resorts today. President Coolidge
located his summer White House in this section near the village of
Brule.

The Church has excellent contacts with an Indian School at Tomah,
ministering to more than a hundred communicants annually. There is
an Indian reservation farther north where the Church has not yet en-
tered.

Seventy-five years ago Bishop Kemper mapped out this very territory
for a separate Diocese and for the past thirty years the Church in
Wisconsin has sought the means wherewith to do it. In the spring of
1926 this dream suddenly became a possibility through the generous gift
of $150,000 by Mrs. Mary E. Dulany, of Eau Claire, as an endowment
fund for such a new Diocese. Since that time the several congregations
involved have raised an additional missionary endowment of $50,000.
This absolutely guarantees the support of the Episcopate and all other
Diocesan expenses together with the maintenance of all missionary and
other work now being carried on. Present work cannot possibly be
weakened by the erection of a new Diocese and cannot be strengthened without it.

Christ Church, Eau Claire, centrally located at the junction point of railroads and state highways, offers it facilities for Cathedral purposes, gives a bishop's residence, and has reconstructed one end of its parish house to provide for offices for the Bishop and his secretary. A bequest for institutional work in the new Diocese is now pending, to the amount of $250,000.

In cold cash a half-million dollars waits upon the creation of the Diocese of Eau Claire, being entirely conditional upon such creation. (The last Diocese to be erected had a total endowment of $67,000.)

The Dioceses of Milwaukee and Fond du Lac are collaborating in the undertaking, each contributing territory and congregations. The Bishops have consented, both Diocesan Councils have unanimously approved, and all the canonical requirements have been met. Church people in northwestern Wisconsin are solidly and enthusiastically in favor of a new Diocese.

The Diocese of Eau Claire would be a sturdy infant among the Dioceses, for it would consist of:

- 26 counties,
- 24,000 square miles,
- 636,000 population,
- $900,000 property value,
- 37 congregations (9 parishes and 28 missions),
- 15 clergy,
- 14 layreaders,
- 1 candidate for Holy Orders,
- 4,200 baptized persons,
- 3,000 communicants,
- 37 churches; 15 parish houses; 16 rectories.

In 1927 these congregations contributed $9,300.00 to missionary purposes, of which $4,500.00 was sent to the National Council.

The Diocese of Milwaukee will be left with 11,000 square miles and a population of 1,334,000. The Diocese of Fond du Lac will be left with 21,000 square miles and a population of 770,000.

The Diocese of Eau Claire will be the first Diocese to be created in the Province of the Mid-West in twenty-nine years. It will be the first Diocese in the American Church to be created out of two existing Dioceses. From the day of its birth it will be a financial and spiritual asset to the whole Church.

APPENDIX XIX.

1928

THIRD REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHURCH MUSIC

APPOINTED BY THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1919

"Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the second Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted, and that the
Commission be continued, with power to fill vacancies and to add to its
numbers." (Journal of General Convention, 1925.)

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the
United States of America:

The Joint Commission on Church Music respectfully submits its third
report.

Since the last General Convention the Commission has elected to mem­
bership the Very Reverend Howard Chandler Robbins, Dean of the
Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York, and Mr. Channing
Lefebvre, Organist and Choirmaster of Trinity Church, New York.

The following compilations of the Commission, authorized by General
Convention in 1922, have been published and are available:

1. The Choral Service.—In its first report to General Convention
the Commission, in reviewing the history of the Choral Service, noted
that its restoration had been the work of individuals, not of the Church;
resulting in "conflicting versions of the ancient melodic forms, and a
general lack of authoritative standard." The Commission recommended
that "without desiring to enforce the use of the whole or any part of
the Choral Service upon Dioceses or Parishes, the Church should take
the steps necessary to remove existing differences, to correlate contem­
porary usages with historic tradition, and finally to set the seal of her
approval upon the work when completed, of restoring to its purest and
truest form the traditional musical rendering of her liturgical offices."

The Commission has completed this work, which is the first compila­
tion of the Church's traditional liturgical music ever to be authorized
by the Church in the United States. The work constitutes a complete
manual of instruction in the history and correct rendering of the melo­
dies of the Choral Service which are proper to Priest and people. It
comprises the melodies themselves of the Responses at Morning and
Evening Prayer, and of the Holy Communion; of the Responses of the
Litany, and of the special Litany for Ordinations; and for the Invitatory
Antiphons at Morning Prayer. In addition, there are organ accompani­
ments for nearly all the foregoing, together with the traditional vocal
harmonies for certain of the Responses.

For practical use, the melodies of the several Offices have been re­
printed in two smaller pamphlets, to wit:

a. For the congregation, for use in the pews, and in modern notation,
those portions of the various services to be sung by the people.

b. For the Celebrant at the altar, the melodies to be sung by him at
the Holy Communion.

These two pamphlets now being available, and the use of the Choral
Service thus being rendered practicable for Clergy, Choir, and Congre­
gation, it is the earnest hope of the Commission that wherever the ser­
dices are sung the use of this edition will be universal. Then, and then
only, can the object of its compilation be fully realized, and that uni­
formity attained which has long been deemed so desirable.


This list, published with the approval of the Church Pension Fund,
the proprietors of the Hymnal, is designed to supplement the classifica­
tion already provided in the New Hymnal, in such a manner as to
encourage wider acquaintance with the contents of the book; and to
facilitate the choice of those hymns and tunes which are specially fitted
for congregational use, as well as of a high standard of excellence. The
list classifies tunes which are less familiar, but of special merit; those particularly adapted to unison singing; those belonging to the various schools or periods of musical composition, and those of the type best suited to general congregational use.

3. A Selected List of Works Relating to Church Music; compiled and offered for free distribution to Schools, Conferences, Clergy, and Choirmasters.

This list of works, which, although concise, includes only works of authority and practical value, covering every phase of Church Music, should prove helpful in encouraging serious study.

Copies of the List have been sent to all Diocesan Libraries, to Public Libraries in the principal cities, in the hope of securing their co-operation in adding to this division of their catalogue.

4. A Selected List of Anthems for the Seasons and Feasts of the Church Year; classified as to their relative difficulty, length, solo requirements, etc. Offered for free distribution.

From the great mass of anthems published, between three and four hundred have been chosen for this list, for the purpose of assisting organists and choir directors "in the selection of appropriate music for church use, and suited to the resources of their choirs." The problem of the choir in the smaller parishes has been given special recognition; as well as the difficulty experienced by the directors of such choirs in making intelligent selection from the voluminous catalogues of the music publishers.

The Psalter

The work on a revised pointing of the Psalter for use with Anglican chants, authorized by General Convention in 1922, has been completed, and the music of the chants to which the Psalms may be sung has been selected. The complete work is ready for the press, and its publication only awaits final action by General Convention on the pending revision of the text.

Should such action be taken by this Convention, the Commission urges the adoption of its recommendation to General Convention in 1922, that the revised pointing of the Psalter (which conforms in principle and in detail with the pointing of the Canticles in the Appendix of the New Hymnal, which are now widely in use) "be authorized for use by General Convention, as superseding the present pointing of the Psalms authorized in 1895." In no other way can be avoided a recurrence of that condition of confusion which led to the establishment of a single authorized standard thirty-three years ago.

A Classified List of Services

It is hoped that this List will shortly be ready for publication and free distribution, to supplement the lists of anthems and of hymn-tunes above described.

The compilation of the List of Services has been difficult, as it involves not only the classification of entire services, but also of each of their component parts; since the several parts of a single service often vary widely, both in degree of difficulty and in effectiveness and real musical value.

The Report of 1922

The Report of the Commission to General Convention in 1922 not only provided a comprehensive survey of conditions then prevailing,
together with constructive suggestions for their improvement, but also afforded much information regarding the history of Church Music. Since 1922 many requests for copies of this report have been received from schools, Clergy, and others; as far as possible, these requests have been met.

The supply of reports remaining after General Convention in 1922 is now entirely exhausted, but requests for copies still are frequently received. The Commission believes that the wider circulation of the report, particularly among Clergy and organists, is highly desirable; the Commission has accordingly determined to reprint the report, at its own expense, for this purpose. The new edition will contain an appendix, covering those changes in the services authorized in the course of Prayer-book revision subsequent to 1919, which affect the music of the services; and the report will otherwise be brought up to date. Application for copies of the new edition should be made to the Secretary of the Commission.

On the whole, the Commission believes that an increasing interest in Church Music is manifesting itself in divers ways. Since last General Convention at least two important Schools of Church Music, for the training of church musicians, have been founded. In certain of the Summer Conferences the serious study of Church Music has found a place. Local conferences have borne excellent results; the less familiar treasures of the New Hymnal are becoming more generally known; standards of organ playing, despite secular competition and distraction, are higher than before; above all, the close association of the music of the Church with her liturgy and worship is finding more general and sympathetic recognition.

These signs of present accomplishment and future promise are gratifying, but the Commission is still firmly of the opinion that the opportunity for definite instruction in Church Music afforded to candidates for Holy Orders in our Seminaries, will determine in a large measure the success or failure of any future movement for the improvement of musical conditions in our parishes. Serious study of the history and practice of Church Music, particularly of its appreciation, on the part of Clergy and Church musicians alike, was never more necessary than at the present time.

The Commission does not consider that its work is completed. The closing of Prayer-book revision, if accomplished by this Convention, will inevitably involve some adjustment of musical details; while inquiries already received indicate that the Commission should be able to be of service in responding to requests for assistance or advice, as well as in carrying out, as far as it is able, such work as may be assigned to it by General Convention.

In conclusion the Commission begs to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the third Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted, and that the Commission be continued, with power to fill vacancies and to add to its numbers.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON R. STEARLY, Chairman,
FLOYD W. TOMKINS, Vice-Chairman,
WALLACE GOODRICH, Secretary.

September, 1928.
APPENDIX XX.

FIFTH REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE REVISION AND ENRICHMENT OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

The Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer, appointed in 1913, herewith presents its Fifth Report.

I.

THE STANDARD BOOK OF 1928

The Commission, understanding that the Church has ordered the present revision to be completed in 1928, presents at this time no new material for the consideration of the General Convention. The resolutions of the last Convention, authorizing the Commission to prepare the Standard Book of 1928, define this command as follows:

Resolved, That the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer be continued, with power to fill vacancies.

Resolved, That the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer be authorized to prepare the Standard Book of 1928.

Resolved, That the Joint Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer be authorized to edit the Standard Prayer Book, and to correct typographical and other obvious errors.

There are individuals or groups who would like to keep the revision open in the hope that some specially desired item of revision might thereby be brought about. These desires, however, are few; and there is, further, no guarantee that, even if some such suggestions were to pass in 1928, they would be ratified in 1931. The present undertaking of formal revision has covered a period of fifteen years. The last revision was accomplished in twelve years. Ministers and congregations are naturally eager to have in their hands the revised Prayer Book. The work of revision is not perfect. No human undertaking is. Every member of the Commission has in mind some further item of change which he would like to see incorporated; but, taking the work as a whole, the Commission believes that much has been accomplished, and that the revision will be welcomed by the people as a genuine help in the advancing life and work of the Church.

In regard to the editing permitted by the General Convention, the Commission desires to report that it has endeavored to do its work with the utmost care, in every typographical detail. In the arrangement and form of new material, where there is any tradition of punctuation and capitalization to follow, the tradition has been scrupulously observed. The language of the third resolution of the last Convention gives to the Commission, as an editing committee, the power to make certain corrections which are not strictly typographical. The Commission has therefore undertaken a few items of what may be called major editing, wherein the changes seemed to the whole Commission to carry out the will and intention of the Convention. It herewith reports these items as a matter of information to the Convention, as follows:

(1) In Morning and Evening Prayer, after “Let us pray,” following the Creed, this rubric has been inserted:

¶Here, if it hath not already been said, shall follow the Lord’s Prayer.
This rubric seems obviously needed, as an aid to the Minister in carrying out the purpose of the rubric at the beginning of the Office.

(2) In the Holy Communion, after the Prayer of Consecration and before the Lord's Prayer, the Commission has changed the words, "Let us say," to the words, "We are bold to say." It is obvious that there is no intention on the part of the Convention to break the continuity of prayer, or of address to the Father, by a phrase which might seem to be taken as an address to the congregation. The phrase substituted is a traditional and familiar form.

(3) In the Holy Communion, we have placed before the rubric preceding the words of distribution, the rubric heretofore in the Prayer Book,

**[Here may be sung a Hymn.**

Obviously, since the rubric proposed as a substitute for this failed of passage, the old rubric must stand.

The Commission will be prepared in the Convention, immediately after action on Ratification of the proposals of 1925, to present a copy of the Standard Book of 1892 as revised by the Conventions from 1913 to 1928, with a resolution that the same be accepted as the Standard Book of 1928, and ordered printed. Meantime, Mr. Morgan, in emulation of his father's action in 1892, has come forward with the request that he be allowed to bear the expense of printing the Standard Book. This offer has been gratefully accepted by the Commission; and already, after study of proofs submitted by the best printers in England and America, the Commission has approved the form of the book. The only desire of the generous giver is that it shall be typographically as beautiful and worthy as possible. The types, arrangement, paper, and various details will be ready, in sample pages, to exhibit at the Convention.

II.

**THE SO-CALLED MISSION PRAYER BOOK**

The General Convention of 1922 passed the following Resolution:

Whereas, a short and simple form of Morning and Evening Prayer, with a few Psalms and Special Prayers, and the Office for Holy Communion, with possibly a few hymns, would be a great help in the Mission work carried on in the rural districts of our country, therefore be it

*Resolved*, That the Commission on the Revision of the Book of Common Prayer be requested to prepare such a Mission Prayer Book and to present the same at the General Convention to meet in 1925.

The Commission has studied this problem and believes that the preparation of an abridged Prayer Book for use in certain congregations is desirable, and accordingly offers the following resolutions:

*Resolved*, the house of * * * concurring, That the Prayer Book Commission be authorized to prepare and cause to be published a shorter book under such title as they may decide upon, this book to contain the following parts of the Book of Common Prayer:

- Morning Prayer.
- Evening Prayer.
- Selected Psalms.
- The Litany.
- The Order for the Holy Communion.
- Family Prayer.
- The Offices of Instruction.
The Collects of the Christian Year, and
The Prayers and Thanksgivings,
or selections from them, together with certain prayers from other parts
of the Prayer Book.

Resolved, the House of ** concurring, That the Commission, in
the preparation of this book, be authorized to make such changes in
arrangement, in typographical form, and in simplification of rubrics, as
they may deem helpful to people who are unfamiliar with the Book of
Common Prayer.

III.

THE ORDER FOR THE ADMISSION OF DEACONESES

A Service for the Admission of Deaconesses was referred to this
Commission by the last Convention. The Commission has considered
the subject, and has appointed a sub-committee to study the forms of
service, and to confer with the Deaconess Commission. If a form
acceptable to that Commission is later approved by this Commission, it
will be presented to the Convention, with a resolution that it be ap­
proved, and authorized for use in this Church.

IV.

A LITURGICAL COMMISSION

After the work of ratification has been completed and the new
Standard Book has been accepted, the Commission will offer the fol­
lowing resolutions:

Resolved, the House of ** concurring, That when the Standard
Prayer Book of 1928 shall have been published, and the so-called Mission
Prayer Book prepared and published, this Joint Commission on the
Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer be discharged.

Resolved, the House of ** concurring, That there be appointed a
continuing Liturgical Commission consisting of eight Bishops, eight
Presbyters, and eight Laymen, to be appointed by the Chairman of the
two Houses, to which Commission may be referred such matters as are
not finally determined at any Convention by action upon the recom­
mandation of the Prayer Book Committees of the Houses; and to which
Commission reference could be made for advice on the part of any de­
siring it, when occasion arises for the use of special offices or forms;
such Commission to have power to fill vacancies, and to add to their
number.

CHARLES L. SLATTERY, Chairman.
JOHN W. SUTER, Secretary.

APPENDIX XXI.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO WHICH IS REFERRED
THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON PROVINCES
AND ALL OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO.

Your Committee has studied afresh the recommendations of the for­
er Joint Commission on Provinces and has also studied the whole
questions of the Provinces, their place and function in the organization
of the Church and the manner in which they have discharged this function.

An outstanding fact disclosed by these studies is that the Provinces, in spite of the limitations under which they have labored, have found themselves and are increasingly finding themselves as working factors or units in the Church's organization. Few legislative powers have been granted to them; but in most instances they have found a large and important field of work and have begun to occupy that field. As a result the several Provinces have undertaken a large number of provincial projects and are working them out. In some cases these provincial projects have been in direct co-operation with the National Council and have consisted in carrying out in provincial areas the plans and activities of the General Church Program. In other instances the Provinces have furnished the leadership and the plans for corporate activities of the constituent Dioceses.

In all of these activities there has been needed just the type of organization furnished by the Province, intermediate between the National Council and the Dioceses and co-operating with both. One Province, the Province of Sewanee, has through its Synod officially endorsed this interpretation of the Province as a working unit.

THE PROVINCES AT WORK

It has been frequently stated, especially by those opposed to provincial organization in the Church, that the Provinces should first demonstrate their usefulness before being given any additional powers or resources. The condition is a hard one, for a measure of power and reasonable financial support are essential to any effective service. Notwithstanding the handicaps under which they have worked—lack of power and resources and the skepticism and frequently the opposition of a considerable element in the Church—we believe that the Provinces have, by definite and notable achievements, proved the value of provincial organization and justified the demand for powers and resources commensurate with the opportunities of provincial work.

1. PROVINCIAL ORGANIZATION

The existence of the provincial organization has in itself been of value. It has led to an exchange of experiences and a sharing of burden. It does in a more limited way, but for a larger number, what the General Convention does in lifting the vision beyond Diocesan boundaries. The Eighth Province finds it worth while to meet for four or five days, and in several Provinces, especially the Fifth and Eighth, the Synod is the unifying center around which gather the representatives of the various Lay organizations active within the Province. In the Fourth Province the Synod is regarded chiefly as a working Conference. In the Fifth Province there is a House of Church Women which meets at the same time as the Synod, and in the First Province there is a gathering of the Church Service League comprising Lay workers from all the Dioceses.

Eight members of the National Council are those elected by the Synods of the Provinces.

The Synod has a Provincial Council to direct the work which the Synod may undertake. There are also various departments or commissions, on Church Extension, Religious Education, Social Service, etc., corresponding to similar departments in the national and Diocesan fields. In two Provinces, the First and Fourth, there are paid executives, giving
whole or part time to provincial work. Within the past year another Province, the Seventh, has decided to employ such an executive and has voted the necessary appropriation. Officers of the Synod are usually *ex officio* members of the provincial organization of Church societies and in many instances the provincial organization of these societies has been due to the activity of the Province.

Until recently the financial support of the Provinces came in part from the National Council and in part from the constituent Dioceses. Beginning with the year 1926 all aid from the National Council was withdrawn and provincial work is now wholly supported by Diocesan appropriations, the Synod apportioning among the Dioceses a sum sufficient to meet the budget of its work. It is a significant fact that these apportionments have, with very few exceptions, been paid in full, often by Dioceses which fail to meet the whole of the national apportionment, a testimony to the confidence of the Diocesan authorities in the work of the Province and their appreciation of its value. The provincial budgets have been small in comparison with Diocesan and National expenditures and the meagerness of their financial resources has, of necessity, restricted the work which the Provinces could undertake.

2. RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The work of the Provinces has been chiefly in the field of religious education. This has been due in part to the fact that the Department of Religious Education of the National Council has worked through the Provinces, delegating to them definite tasks, while the other departments of the National Council have not so used the Provinces; and in part to the pressing and particular needs of the Dioceses for assistance in Religious Education which offers a particularly fruitful field for Diocesan co-operation.

A majority of the Dioceses have no educational executives. They have not the financial ability to employ a field secretary, and if he could be supported, the field of a single Diocese is often too limited to justify a man of any capacity giving his whole time to it. Such Dioceses must look to the Province. In the First, Fourth and Sixth Provinces the secretaries spend much time in guiding Diocesan educational activities and in assisting individual parishes. In the Eighth Province the secretary, although a volunteer, is doing work that a field executive would do. Even those Dioceses which have educational executives have often turned to the provincial leaders for help. Where there has been no paid secretary the Provinces have functioned helpfully. They have organized and conducted training classes, Normal Schools, institutes and conferences, made surveys, encouraged week-day religious education and sent volunteer workers into the field. The Second and Third Provinces have been especially active in this volunteer work carried on by their departments of Religious Education. Conferences of educational leaders have been held in the First, Second, Fourth, Fifth and Eighth Provinces.

Within the last year three booklets of prayers for use in family worship and one on religion in the home have been printed and widely distributed. These booklets were issued by provincial departments of Religious Education of the First, Second and Third Provinces. The First Province during the year 1926-7 made a systematic effort to promote religion in the home, the General Secretary having spoken on that subject in some forty parishes besides preparing and distributing literature.

The Fourth Province surveyed the field and prepared and used a standard for Church Schools which has helped to raise the educational
ideals of its Dioceses. The Sixth Province has instituted demonstration centres in Church Drama. In connection with the Synod of the Eighth Province there are educational exhibits, pageants, etc. The Third and Fourth Provinces especially have been helpful in promoting the Lenten Offering. The Eighth Province issues a quarterly News Bulletin which goes to all the Clergy and educational leaders in the Province.

The Fourth Province has initiated and maintained the Southern conference on Religious Education, a regional conference equivalent, on a smaller scale, to the National Conference on Religious Education. It has also fur thered the activities of the Church School Service Program of the National Department. It has issued from time to time bulletins and handbooks on Religious Education. The Second Province has authorized certain educational institutions which qualify by provincial representation on the Board of Trustees.

Much helpful literature has been circulated in several other Provinces. The National Department has found the provincial organization essential in promoting its plans. The extended use of the Christian Nurture Lessons, interest in the N. A. T. A., and the wide use of the text books for teacher training have been greatly assisted by the efforts of provincial leaders. The annual National Conference on Religious Education is organized on a provincial basis and could hardly be held without provincial co-operation. The advisory commission of the National Department at a meeting in May, 1927, passed a resolution expressing the unanimous conviction of the eighteen members of the commission that provincial organization in the field of religious education was essential if the work was to develop, and expressing the hope that the Provinces would be given more generous support.

3. COLLEGE WORK

In no field has provincial activity proved more successful than in college work. A college is concerned with more Dioceses than that in which it is locally situated, and assistance may justifiably be looked for from the Province. As a matter of fact this has been happily given. In the First Province, by general consent, college work is being made a provincial responsibility. When the Province took up the work six years ago Diocesan efforts were negligible and there was little interest in college work. Today one Diocese alone is spending about $10,000 a year in college work. The credit for this enlarged interest has been fairly given to the Province. Three of the most successful college pastors are men discovered and recommended by the Province in response to requests for advice from bishops and vestries. The Third Province has also aided in finding such men.

A Conference of all the Clergy working in college parishes in the First Province recommended that the National Department urge the appointment of provincial rather than National college secretaries. They felt that the Provincial Secretary had the larger opportunity and could do better work.

The First, Third, Fourth and Fifth Provinces have held conferences of college students and the First and Sixth conferences of college pastors. The Third Province placed a student pastor at the University of Maryland, and the First Province suggested the need of such pastors at Harvard and Yale, leading to Diocesan action in their appointment.

The General Secretary of the First Province visits annually, not only most of the colleges, but a number of preparatory schools, preaching, celebrating the Holy Communion, conducting discussion groups and hold-
ing conferences with the Church students, in which their relation to their Church as well as religious and moral difficulties are frankly discussed. The Third Province made a survey of the institutions of learning within the Province and an association of schools under Church influence was organized. The Third Province aided in securing the erection of Church buildings at the University of Virginia and the Pennsylvania State College. The First Province has established a boys' boarding school where the charges are moderate. While the school is under independent management, it was founded as a result of provincial initiative and may properly be called a provincial institution. The Fourth Province took the initiative in organizing the Southern Federation of Episcopal Church Institutions.

The growth in summer conferences owes much to provincial initiative. The First Province has established and conducts a conference of two hundred and fifty young men and women at Concord, New Hampshire. The Second Province has established conferences at Geneva and Princeton. The Third, Sixth and Eighth Provinces assist Diocesan conferences. The Third Province manages a conference for Negro Church Workers, originally started by one of the Dioceses which has since sought the aid of the Province. In the Fourth Province a successful summer conference under provincial guidance is held at Sewanee. In the case of one of these provincial conferences one of our senior Bishops has publicly stated that the value of the conference is such that it alone would justify the provincial organization.

4. OTHER EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

The Young People's Fellowship, or Service League, as it is variously called, has now a provincial organization in all the Provinces. In the First, Second, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Eighth Provinces conferences of the Fellowship are held each year. Nearly all the Provinces have been active in promoting this and other societies of young people. The Provinces, more than any other agency, have been influential in giving unity to the youth movement and co-ordination to the diverging Diocesan aims.

The Third Province did pioneer work in assisting Examining Chaplains, preparing the first syllabus of theological studies and initiating much of the work now carried on by the Commission on the Ministry. Under the auspices of the Province an Examining Chaplains' Conference is held from time to time. The Province has raised funds for aiding candidates for the ministry. The Commission on the Ministry of the National Council is organized on a provincial basis, its members, other than the representatives of the theological schools, being chosen by the provincial departments of religious education.

5. SOCIAL SERVICE

In fields other than religious education and work with students and young people the Provinces have been less active, but some things of value have been accomplished. The Fifth Province has undertaken an important work for Deaf Mutes, a work for which the Diocese is obviously too small a unit. The Provincial Council employs two deaf mute missionaries who work throughout the Province, their ministrations being under the control of the Bishops in whose Dioceses they work, but their support is underwritten by the Province, and they account financially to the treasurer of the Province. In the Third Province the Diocesan work for the deaf has been co-ordinated so that the work has been done in a better way and the salaries of the priests working among the deaf
adjusted in such a manner as to relieve them of much former financial anxiety, and especially from the burden of having to raise a large part of their own support.

The Fourth and Sixth Provinces each have a part time missionary to deaf mutes.

The Fourth Province has a part time secretary for general Social Service work.

6. OTHER MATTERS

There is evident a growing conviction that the Province can be helpful in securing a fair distribution of aid given by the National Council to Dioceses or Missionary Districts within the Province. In the Fifth Province each Diocese receiving aid reports to the Synod on the work being done in the Diocese and the Synod through its Provincial Council makes recommendations to the National Council as to the value of such work and also as to additional work desirable to undertake. The First Province has offered to assist the National Department of Missions in placing, where they could do the most good, available missionary speakers. This Province has also, through its General Secretary, been active in promoting interest in the Quotas and in 1926 called together a conference of Diocesan treasurers and chairmen of finance committees for the discussion of the most effective methods in their work.

The Province of Washington has promoted the publication and distribution of a booklet giving in outline the special resources in the institutions of the Province; and the Province of the Mid-West has undertaken a survey of its institutions.

Several Provinces have been active in disseminating the best methods in rural work.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It will be apparent from the foregoing summary that the Provinces are already doing valuable work in many fields which are too large for the individual Dioceses and not within the scope of the National Council. It is the judgment of this Committee that the Provinces should be encouraged to develop in these fields within which they are now finding their principal activity.

SUPPORT OF SPECIAL PROVINCIAL WORK

Provincial work has been financed by apportionments or assessments laid upon the constituent Dioceses. Such apportionments have usually been met by the Dioceses without question. There is no explicit or canonical authority for the Province to undertake on its own initiative any work involving expenditures of money. Unlike the Diocese and the National Church, the Province is created by Canon. It, therefore, possesses no inherent powers, but only such powers as are delegated to it by Canon of the General Convention. But its authority to carry on provincial work has been limited by Canon to "such Missionary, Educational, and Social work of the Church in the Province as may be committed to it by the General Convention or by the Presiding Bishop and the National Council." (Canon 54, Sec. VII.)

Yet the Provinces have in fact proceeded upon their own initiative, and work so undertaken by them has been the largest and most valuable side of their activities.
In order to remedy this anomaly and legalize what is everywhere the practice, we have recommended certain amendments to the Canon on Provinces. (Canon 54, Sec. VIII.)

It has several times been found by experience that a particular enterprise which had been under the direction of the National Council could be administered to better advantage by a Province. A notable instance of this is in the student work of the Department of Religious Education. Such instances are likely to occur in the future, as the Provinces continue to develop. We believe that on such occasions the Province should be encouraged to assume the new responsibility, but only upon consultation with the National Council and with its approval and consent.

We therefore recommend the adoption of a further amendment to the Canon on Provinces so as to provide that: The Synod of a Province may take over from the National Council, with its consent, the administration of any given work within the Province. If the Province shall provide the funds for such work, the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within the Province shall receive proportional credit therefor upon the quotas assigned to them for the support of the program of the Church, provided that the total amount of such credits shall not exceed the sum appropriated in the budget of the National Council for the maintenance of the work so taken over.

**Consideration and Recommendation by the Synod of a Province Regarding Appropriations from Funds Administered by the National Council for Missionary Work in the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the Province**

We recommend that authority be given to the Synod of a Province to review the askings of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the Province for appropriations from funds administered by the National Council for missionary work in the Province, and that the Synod be empowered to advise the National Council with reference thereto.

We recognize that the ultimate responsibility for such grants rests, and should rest, with the General Convention, acting upon the budget submitted by the National Council. We deem it unwise that such responsibility should be shifted to the Provinces, or divided between the National Council and the Provinces. At the same time we believe that the advice of the Province would be of great value to the National Council in preparing its budget and to the General Convention in acting upon it. The Synod of a Province is in a position to know the relative needs and resources of its constituent Dioceses and Missionary Districts. The field covered by the National Council is so enormous, and the amount of business to come before its sessions is so great, that it would be of great advantage to it to have firsthand information of the needs of the particular Dioceses and Missionary Districts from those in close touch with them. No general opportunity has been given, nor could it well be given, to representatives of individual Dioceses and Missionary Districts to appear before the National Council and discuss their requests for appropriations, item by item. The same consideration is even more markedly true of the General Convention, as the experience of the last General Convention demonstrated. The need of more careful analysis of the budget of the National Council was recognized by the General Convention in its appointment of an Evaluation Committee to study the whole problem. This Committee in turn has sought the advice of some of the Provinces; and in at least two Provinces the budget of appropriations has been very carefully studied first by the Provincial Councils and
finally by the Synods. These deliberations have been of great value to the Evaluation Committee.

We propose that the plan which has already been put into operation informally and in part of the field shall receive canonical sanction.

There are, also, a few additional functions which, we believe, may well be bestowed upon the Provinces both for their own advantage and the advantage of the whole Church. These are as follows:

**NOMINATIONS OF MISSIONARY BISHOPS BY THE SYNODS OF THE PROVINCES**

On the occurrence of a vacancy in a missionary bishopric within a Province and within the continental limits of the United States, the Synod of the Province may nominate to the House of Bishops of the Church a person for such vacancy. The method by which the nomination shall be made shall be determined by the Synod for itself.

The present method imposes upon the House of Bishops the obligation of making a choice between a large number of persons, most of whom are unknown to many of the Bishops voting. Usually several vacancies are to be filled at one time and proper deliberation is extremely difficult. The Missionary Districts have expressed a very ardent desire that they be given some voice in the selection of their Bishops. We are of the opinion that the provision for nominations by the Provincial Synods will enable them to make their wishes more effectively, while the responsibility of election will remain with the House of Bishops of the Church.

**RESIGNATION OF BISHOPS TO BE ACTED UPON BY THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS OF THE PROVINCE**

We recommend that the resignation of a Bishop within a Province be made to the House of Bishops of the Province, such resignation, if accepted, to become effective when approved by the Presiding Bishop of the Church.

Under the present practice the resignation of a Bishop must be acted upon by the entire House of Bishops. This requires, either that a special session of the House be called, at enormous expense of time and money; or else that the resignation remain in abeyance until the House convenes for some other purpose, which often results in great inconvenience to the resigning Bishop and serious detriment to the work of his Diocese.

The interest of the whole Church is sufficiently conserved by the requirement that the acceptance of the resignation shall not become effective unless approved by the Presiding Bishop.

Acceptance of a resignation is almost a matter of course; in only few cases in the history of the American Church has such acceptance been withheld. The advantage of the present plan is, therefore, merely formal and theoretical; its disadvantages have often been very real and very serious.

As a matter of history resignations of Bishops were acted upon by the Bishops of Provinces in the early Church, and this plan has obtained in many parts of the Church to this day. An amendment to the Constitution to effect this was passed in 1919, was ratified by the House of Deputies in 1922, and failed of ratification in the House of Bishops by a narrow margin. This seems to be evidence that the mind of the Church has been coming to the view that this matter should be entrusted to the Bishops of the Province. We believe that it should now be so determined.
CONCLUSION

It will be apparent from consideration of the foregoing recommendations that, aside from the matters of nominations for Missionary Bishops and acceptance of the resignation of Bishops, we are proposing extension of provincial powers only, directions in which the Provinces have already moved. The Provinces have already entered many fields of activity too large for individual Dioceses and not within the scope of the National Council. They have already in some instances taken over, with the consent of the National Council, particular items of work previously administered by the National Council. They have already, in at least two Provinces, advised the National Council as to its appropriations for missionary work within the Provinces. We have simply undertaken to provide specific canonical recognition and regulation of provincial activities which have been developing. We have been guided by experiments that have already been successfully made.

In general, we believe that the provincial system is sufficiently flexible to permit of developments in many new directions in different Provinces; and that what has proved valuable in one Province will not fail of acceptance in others; and in this way new fields of usefulness for the Provinces will be continually opening.

(The Canons proposed are in the Minutes.)

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APPENDIX XXII.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON VOCATION. EDUCATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF THE MINISTRY

TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION HELD IN WASHINGTON IN 1928:

The task set before us by the General Convention appears to be to study the general subject of the Ministry with reference to the welfare of the Church, for “the Shepherd is for the Flock.”

I. Are there shepherds adequate in number and efficiency for the care of the Church as it is, and if not, what is the lack?

II. Are the shepherds adequate for the flock ready for shepherding in the newly developing section of the country where our branch of the Church has natural and present entrance?

I. THE FLOCK

The flock is growing but not satisfactorily. The figures in the appendix not presented herewith show conclusively, that during the past nine years the growth of the Church has been 12.8 per cent., whereas during the nine previous years the growth was 23.9 per cent. Using confirmation as the basis for measuring our addition to the communicant
list, it appears that there was a greater number of confirmations during the period when the Church was lagging in its growth, than during the period when it was increasing much more rapidly. In other words, the gain was 6,000 a year greater during the period when the Church was growing 12.8 per cent. than it was during the period when it was increasing 23.9 per cent. These statistics seem to indicate that the Church has been passing through a period of loss due to leakage. There are no statistics to show the number of losses in our communicant list occasioned by death, as the burial records include all burials whether of communicants or not. Presumably the death losses at the present time should show somewhat of a decrease rather than increase, due to control of epidemics, the improvement of hygienic conditions and the control of the ravages of such virulent diseases as diphtheria, typhoid, malaria and the like. With the confirmations showing a gain and with the death rate presumably lessening, the static condition of the Church is due to leakage.

Some of the spots where leakage may occur:

I. In the growing discontent with religious organization.
II. In the materialism and worldliness of our age.
III. In changes in home life.
   (a) The disappearance of the family pew.
   (b) The domination of worldly interests not centering in the home.
   (c) The decline of family worship.
IV. In the loss through change of habitat in these restless days when permanence of location is not as stable as it once was. Rapid transportation has had two notable effects: (a) It has developed our suburbs, on the one hand, as people pour from the countries into the cities and after the cities into the country adjacent, and (b) It has ruined an innumerable number of small settlements. Prior to the day of motor transportation, people in the country—at least through the Middle West—built for themselves settlements, let us say, every ten miles along the railroads and along the highways. Today the farmer is nearer his county seat fifty miles distant than he was to his crossroad shopping center before the automobile and paved roads appeared. This has well-nigh ruined the settlement life and has increased the importance of the towns where more than mere shopping attractions have broadened and sharpened farm life.

In the interest of Vocation, this would argue for modification of our rural program—to fewer but larger churches with more generous equipment. Such changes produce, generally, the inevitable effect of a generally lessened sense of responsibility on the part of the individual, for in the small mission the value of the individual bulks larger and responsibility is realized.

To meet the losses due to this general condition, your Joint Commission would recommend:

That this Convention bring to the consideration of Diocesan Executives the advisability of closing down many of the small, ill-sustained settlement churches with a view of placing the efforts so saved upon the stronger establishment of our larger units.

Your Commission would recommend consideration of a tentative program such as this:

Equipment of Church and Parish House, the latter with a dining hall, a nursery and a gathering room, equipped for religious instruction, the problem being to interest every member of a family living at a distance
to unite upon a common task on Sunday by satisfying the craving for the automobile at the same time that the religious duties of Sunday are observed. In the West a distance of fifty miles to Church satisfies the desire for a Sunday drive and also improves the opportunity for worship and religious instruction consequent upon the presence of churches—where the stimulation of numbers and the heartiness of the service contribute to interest and enthusiasm.

"Urban overcrowding has a cheerful corollary in suburban development. Take for example the New York 'metropolitan zone' which includes everything within a thirty-mile radius. In this district alone, $500,000,000 has been spent on new suburban homes within the last year—showing an increase of 10 per cent. over the 1927 figures. Chicago, Detroit and Boston report similar increases; and with apparent disregard of other business conditions, suburban building goes on apace all over the country."

The enormous growth of our cities has affected the old down town parishes. Business has been creeping about around them and the membership has been scattering to the suburbs. This has had a depressing effect upon the rectors of those parishes. Effort has been put forward to keep the old parishes up to their old standards with their previous Clergy staff and their previous standards of music, with the result that the preaching has been exceptional and endowments have kept the music up to the standard of city requirements, for a decreasing membership.

In following the flock from a great central parish, the city clergyman sees his people scattered over a large suburban area. If he transfers them immediately upon removal a healthy condition will prevail as the small parish is generally better shepherded than the larger one, but as transfers are delayed, what is gained by this consideration is lost through a diminution of interest through the religious habits created during the period of transition. As a rule the suburban parishes are not as well organized or as efficient as the old home parishes; the preaching is not likely to be as good and the music not as inspiring, so that, take it all in all, many losses may be traced to this period of transfer.

Your Commission would therefore recommend:

That General Convention urge the Clergy of the Church to be sensitive to the leakage in our communicant list through delayed transfers.

(a) Tread from the rural districts should conserve the number of our ministry, as two clergymen in a small town with an automobile, can adequately minister to a much larger field in a well-administered small town parish, than could four or five missionaries ministering to a flock whose method of transportation was by horse and wagon. On the other hand conditions in and around our cities show a reverse set of conditions. A flock of 2,000 communicants in a large city parish might be satisfactorily ministered to by two or three clergymen. Phillips Brooks in Philadelphia had but one assistant, sometimes none. But with those 2,000 broken up into 10 suburban parishes of 200 each, 10 clergymen would be required to minister to them, even if the suburban parish were served by one man. But, if our suburban parishes are wealthy (and the tendency of any rector is to seek an assistant just as soon as the parish can support him) and can assume two men in each of these suburban parishes, an excessive drain is placed upon our ministerial supply. Twenty men would now be required to serve the same flock that had adequately been served by four, though now broken up into ten bands.

(b) Another change appears which affects not only the welfare of the flock but the welfare of the fold, which normally is the parish church.
Not only are parishioners moving from place to place as never before, but change is affecting ministerial tenure, as well.

A general but by no means complete examination of a period of ten years of our ministry at the present time has led your Commission to believe that three years is a trifle in excess of the length of tenure of the average clergyman of the Church today. This restlessness is characteristic of the age, but it is nevertheless detrimental both to the flock and to the fold. With every change there is a loss of some who are held to the Church primarily through personal attachment to the pastor, and when the new incumbent stays but three years, he in turn leaves before he has attached to himself with strong ties even more than were lost through the departure of his predecessor.

It therefore seems incumbent upon your Commission to recommend

the need of longer tenure on the part of our ministers.

(c) There is also ill effect upon the flock through change in the fold due to changes in the manner of worship.

In the large cities many types of church worship prevail and rapid transportation enables each individual to find a church home to his mind and heart, but when transfer is taken from the city to a town or suburb where there is but one church, he may find that church so different from his habits that though he may still attend, his zeal has lessened and his interest diminished.

Any extravagance of worship in a great city can find a sufficient number of people to sustain it, but such extravagance in the town or small city must assuredly furnish a great opportunity for loss.

(d) Another place of leakage is observable in the over-employment of the minister in matters only secondary to the requirements of his calling. Social activities are poor substitutes for personal shepherding. Personal contact in many of our town parishes is, by changes in modern living, becoming more infrequent. The pastoral call has become increasingly difficult. People are not at home. Increased wealth furnishes opportunity for social enjoyment in the evening which tends to break up the family unit, with the result that in many places pastoral calling has well nigh disappeared.

Your Joint Commission therefore believes that our Theological Seminaries should give their attention to the changing conditions in our social fabric as new conditions to be met, and that further study should be given to the question as to how the shepherd and his flock can regain the personal contact which has heretofore made the minister pre-eminently the pastor.

It is unquestioned that many of the leakages from the Church which have become so excessive as to have arrested the Church's growth, are due to conditions which can be satisfactorily met if the Church addresses itself to the task.

(e) But these suggested causes are open to controversy and many other causes are no doubt contributing to the leakage. Your Commission has not attempted to exhaust a list of the possible causes contributing to this leakage, as the endeavor would take us too far into the field of the "Committee on the State of the Church."

Your Commission while endeavoring to obtain data showing the losses in the Church through death, have been unable to do so as the item "Burials" is not subdivided. We therefore recommend:

That the proper official of the General Convention be requested to so prepare his forms as to secure in statistical tables the information as to the losses in our communicant list, through deaths.
There can be less controversy over the question as to where leakage and loss occur in the individual life.

We have been discussing the welfare of the flock preliminary to a study of the shepherds of the flocks. Therefore, with the minister still in mind, let us consider some individual lad in the flock who might be a potential minister. Whether he really feels a call to the ministry will depend first upon the influence of the religious life thrown around him by the home, the school, the Church and by society in general. Though the home may not be as insecure as the press and our periodicals would seem to indicate, family life is not as self-sufficient as once it was. Our public school system is dominating the lives of the great proportion of our youth up to the age of adolescence, but within that system there is no provision for religion or its teachings. The tremendous pace at which we are living and the abounding thrills which are stimulating the lives of adolescence through the movies, the press and the printed page, where the surpassing excitements of life are flung pictorially upon mind and conscience, present new problems to the Church concerned primarily with religion. Unless the Church can safeguard the church lad by intensifying his religious interests to offset the intensity of the world's thrills, the potential minister will not hear his call and the flock will be shepherdless. In the interest of brevity let us call our potential minister Little John.

It may be convenient to divide Little John's formative life into five periods:

First: His congenital life.
Second: His infancy.
Third: His period of pre-adolescence.
Fourth: His period of adolescence.
Fifth: His young manhood when he is re-surveying the important decisions of his life.

If his religion is conserved during what we believe to be these most strategic periods, it is not likely to be lost. For the congenital period and the period of his infancy Little John will be largely the creature of his environment.

Whether it will be well with him during his congenital life, depends upon whether religion dominates the life of his home during that time. Our specialists in heredity have not as yet laid down completely the laws which govern the congenital life, but the urges and stimulations of the environment upon this formative period are well known. The youthful Samuel is what we should expect him to be with a mother like Hannah. It is our opinion that the pastoral care of the younger married people of the Church is not receiving today the attention which it should have, and your Commission would recommend that the Department of Pastoral Care in our seminaries be requested to give due and adequate attention to the pastoral contact at the time of marriage, and immediately subsequent thereto, in order that the religious life of the family should be stimulated at an early stage.

The period of infancy, roughly speaking the first seven years, is a problem of the home; though the Church and the Church school, through sponsorial contacts and the cradle roll, seek to touch that life somewhat.

Your Commission believes that General Convention should urge upon parents the daily practice of family worship and upon sponsors greater zeal in the furtherance of their duties.

The period of adolescence is a period of leakage from the Sunday School. In most of our Church schools it is the period following con-
firmation. "After confirmation—what?" is a perennial question but no approved program has as yet been set forth by the Church as to what to do with the young lad who, having been confirmed, starts his Communicant life with enthusiasm, and then is given no specific direction which childhood requires, as to what to do and how to do it.

Your Commission would therefore recommend that your Department of Religious Education be requested to examine and report upon the problems of adolescence relating to religion, and to recommend to the next General Convention ways and means whereby the normal effort of the Church may be supplemented to safeguard religion during the period of adolescence.

The fourth period is the period of young manhood, or the college period. Never before has this period been so charged with loss to the Church as at the present time. There are now more students in the United States doing university work than there were students in the high schools of this country a generation ago. In a list of American colleges and universities, based upon the 1927 Education Directory of the U. S. Bureau of Education, there are recorded 602 institutions of higher learning in this country with a total of about a million students. The Bureau further estimates that there are more college students in the United States than in all other countries of the world combined. Its figures place the American total at about a million and gives the rest of the world about 950,000. Presumably a large proportion of our country's leaders will emerge from these institutions of higher learning and as the university men go, so largely will the country go in the years which are to come. Of late much attention has been paid to the effect of university training upon the religious life of the university student. In the university the leakage of college students from the faith of their fathers is undoubtedly great. Exact figures upon this subject are difficult to obtain. The Rev. C. Leslie Glenn, our Secretary for college work, on February 23 published a report of the preliminary national survey of college work, as appears in the appendix to this report. It gives interesting figures with reference to our own Church students. From this report we gather that of the million college students in the United States, a large percentage of Episcopalians proportionate to our membership is reported. The total number of baptized persons in our Church in the United States is 1.6 per cent. of the population, whereas our Church has 5.5 per cent. of the total enrollment of institutions of higher learning. In many sections of the country this proportion is even higher. In the Province of the Pacific the proportion of Episcopalians is ten times as great in the college as outside of the colleges. In many of the large eastern universities more students belong to the Episcopal Church than to any other. In the country at large there are 78 colleges with over 100 Episcopalian students and in 26 of these the Church is doing no work whatsoever.

Mr. Glenn reports that in the opinion of those ministering to 27,000 Church students, contact is possible with about 12,000 or about 44 per cent. of them. Of the 300 clergymen who are in or near college campuses, only about 125 are able to give any part of their time to the students. There are 16 giving full time, 12 giving three-quarter time, 15 giving half time, 2 giving one-third, and 24 giving one-quarter. This makes the equivalent of 47 workers to 27,000 full time students; that is, one worker for every 574 students.

In the general Church there is one clergyman for every 306 baptized persons, including infants.

More to the point, as university students are consenting adults, would be the comparison, that in the Church in the United States there is one
full time clergyman for every 574 Church college students. This reveals an appalling lack of Church care and control of the young manhood of our land, during this dangerous period when the restraints of home have been broken, and where valuations, both intellectual and moral, are under strict review. This condition is developing general concern. Never has there been a time when more attention seems to have been paid to the subject of religion in our schools of higher learning than during the last few years. Among the events of this year was the acceptance by President Coolidge of an invitation to preach the baccalaureate at Andover Preparatory School in Massachusetts. It came at a time when Congress was about to adjourn and when the air was electrified with the anticipation of a presidential nomination. That President Coolidge should have gone to deliver so memorable an address on such an occasion is indicative of his own estimation of the importance of the occasion. In that address the President dwelt long upon the necessity of religion in this country and upon the responsibility resting upon schools of education to abet and foster religion. He summarized his conviction in the matter by stating: “For our independent colleges and secondary schools to be neglectful of their responsibilities in this direction is to turn their graduates loose with simply an increased capacity to prey upon each other. Such a dereliction of duty would put in jeopardy the whole fabric of society.”

Trite and pious as it may seem, “Knowledge without goodness is dangerous.” The President's thesis is irrefutable. Immediately following the President’s address, the Governor of Massachusetts, the Governor of New Hampshire and the Secretary of Labor incorporated into three addresses the same insistence.

On February 17 of this year a notable conference on religion among college men was held in Princeton University. This conference was planned primarily at a meeting of college presidents and such colleagues as they might care to bring with them. The invitation was restricted to the main colleges and universities and to institutions in New England and the Middle Atlantic States from Maine to Maryland. A small group of masters and headmasters from leading Eastern preparatory schools were invited. The response to the call for this meeting was remarkable. Out of the 200 delegates, more than 50 college presidents were in attendance. The set addresses were upon such topics as “Students' attitudes as an administrator sees them,” “Questions raised by thinking students,” “Youth, then and now,” “Undergraduates' attitude toward religion,” “Pillars of religion in the college,” “Youth cross-questions its elders,” “The beholds of life,” “Unending day dawn.” A great many collateral themes were discussed such as “Compulsory shackles,” “Courses on religion and propaganda,” “The scientific spirit and the love of truth,” “Corporate worship,” “Religion in the curriculum,” “Extra-curricula religious organizations.” No endeavor was made to fix agreements. The main point of value to your Commission, as it has reviewed the 114-page report is not the remedies suggested to amend the situation, but the agreement that there was a situation to be remedied and that the whole subject of religion in our universities is a matter of growing concern.

The Right Honorable Viscount Haldane, who, when War Minister, is credited with having reorganized the British Army under the stress of the World War, and who entered into his rest August 19 of this year, published in January, 1928, a paper entitled “The Church in Higher Education.” In his paper, he gives us the purpose of his writing which is to consider how clergymen of the higher types can be made available for the Churches. He writes:
“What I should like to see is the adoption of the step which was taken when the Army became pressed with the shortage of officers. The Committee was a mixed one. Acute minded and experienced generals there met distinguished teachers. The universities were carefully consulted. They proved ready to undertake to train and produce officers of a high quality, who could be sent later to the army itself to acquire the necessary experience.

“Something of the same kind is open to the Church. If the universities are consulted, they will be able to bring to bear the observation of those who are engaged in training, and bring to the front students who are looking for work inspired by ideals.”

We quote this passage at this time because in conference with Dr. Butler of Columbia and Dr. Penniman of the University of Pennsylvania, one of your Commission has found both gentlemen eager for further conferences with friends of the Church as to improved methods of preserving the fundamentals of the faith of college students under the stress and strain of strict intellectual inquiry.

The university problem wherever it may be set, is not a parochial problem, a home problem, or an evangelical problem. The dominant life of the university is set in the domain of the intellect. Intellectual standards are then more exacting than at any other time in life. Fundamentals are measured here largely by intellectual standards and religion comes in for intellectual examination. In every direction questioning is focused upon fundamentals; of life, of economic theory, of the social unit, and of religion. Every previous conviction comes in for re-examination and the fundamental truth of religion as well as its expression are constant matters of interest and debate. But in this field alone, leadership and direction are largely wanting. The program which the Church seems to present in our colleges is largely a parochial or a social one. Scarcely anywhere is the problem for university work presented seriously as an intellectual problem, to conserve the faith of the students and to give it a rational background. We quote here a sympathetic expression from a recent issue of one of our Church papers: “The purpose of this article is to express the deep convictions of a college graduate concerning the real values of college education.” No amount of preaching will affect the average young person of today. Moralizing on how to make the most of college adventure is apparently lost on young people. But there are fortunately times in the life of the most carefree when truth is sought, and things heard carelessly are remembered seriously. Because youthful spirits scorn suggestions of errors is no reason for declaring charts useless or lifeboats unnecessary. Truth should be available, whether used or not.

What we are doing in the universities is summarized in the report of the Rev. C. Leslie Glenn as of February 23, 1928, extended in his report just off the press without measurable change.

Mr. Glenn has called our attention clearly to the fact that at the spot where possibly the greatest leakage from our Church is to be attributed, the Church shows itself conspicuously inactive and inefficient. This may be due to the fact that one administrative unit which the Church has learned to use effectively is the parish. Any task which can be set into a parish program is likely to have been well done, but tasks too large to be incorporated into a parish program such as Diocesan tasks, have largely been undertaken and carried out by independent corporations, which though here usually effective, are evidence generally of the Church’s administrative weakness in units larger than the parish. To whom then shall we refer tasks too large and comprehensive for the parish to com-
pass? We think first of the Diocese, then the Province. The Province as a working unit is with us untried and no serious business involving large sums of money has been essayed by the Province or carried on in such a way as to convince the Church that it is an administrative unit for the accomplishment of tasks too large for the Diocese to undertake. The National Council, finding itself more rapidly, is reaching out into new fields of endeavor.

Your Commission has been considering at length whether it should recommend the university problem as a Diocesan problem, a Provincial problem or as a problem of the National Church. The situations differ so in different parts of the country, and ability differs so notably in the different Dioceses, that your Commission is unable to make any general recommendations. In cases where the Diocese and the State are co-terminus, the task would seem to belong to the Diocese though whether a weak Diocese in a large State with great educational institutions might reasonably expect to receive assistance from the Province or from the National Church in the carrying out of that university program is a matter of serious consideration. Upon a Diocese like the Diocese of Springfield, within whose limits the great State of Illinois has its enormous university, it is obvious that responsibility for Church work should not be laid. Here the task might well be provincial if the Province were a potent body with revenue and resources sufficient to bear the responsibility.

Your Commission makes bold, therefore, to offer the following resolution:

Resolution No. 1.

Resolved, That a Joint Commission of the General Convention, consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and five Laymen, be appointed to examine into the whole matter of Church work in our universities and colleges, to effect a conference with educational representatives possibly similar to the Princeton conference, and to determine, if may be, upon a program for the class room and the campus, and to make report with recommendations to the next General Convention.

If this Joint Commission is appointed, we would submit for their consideration the following recommendations:

(1) The preparation of a program for bringing the general subject of religion more strongly before School Boards and preparatory schools of our own Church.

(2) The bringing to the Parochial Clergy of the need of cultivating in the likely young men of their parishes, the worthiness of the Sacred Ministry as a calling.

(3) The construction of a carefully prepared program to be followed mutatis mutandis by the chaplains of our Church schools and colleges, and the university pastors of our Church throughout the land.

(4) That the National Council incorporate within its budget, allowances equal to the salaries of the associate professors in our universities, for the support of college pastors in the universities of our Missionary Districts.

(5) The recommendation to the Bishops and Executive Councils of our Dioceses, of the insertion in their Diocesan budgets of a sum requisite to sustain University Pastors with salaries equal to those of associate professorships in their state universities.
(6) The support of the recommended program, with funds sufficient to provide lectureships, seminars, and the use of forums in our universities, where lectures on evidences of Christianity, comparative religions, and moral standards based upon the teaching of Jesus Christ should be sequentially presented; seminars for the study of the Bible and personal religion could be informally presented; forums where opportunity could be given for general debate under wise guidance, generally under the control of the students themselves.

In connection with this program, men specially trained and adequately supported, might pass from college to college, delivering these lectures and making inspirational addresses, focusing upon the need of properly trained men for the ministry.

Where universities are in very close contact with our theological seminaries, it would seem wise for our Commission to suggest that our theological school faculties be utilized as far as possible, for college lectureships and that the Department of Religious Education be requested to list the Clergy and Laity of the Church best fitted to conduct lectures, seminars and forums in all of the institutions of higher learning in which a goodly number of our Church students are enrolled.

Your Commission would also suggest that on every college campus the Church should endeavor to possess a house for social purposes in which a room for lectures, forums and seminars might be provided, the same to be under the charge of a university pastor appointed for that purpose.

The increase of the flock is becoming increasingly dependent upon the preservation of its integrity. How far loss is dependent upon the inadequacy in number, and the inefficiency of the shepherds, now comes before us for consideration.

II. THE SHEPHERD

A. Vocation

NUMBERS. First as to numbers. Some of the questions that require answer:

Has the Church an adequate number of clergymen to man the parishes and missions on the basis of present requirements? Some normal parishes, by reason of their size, require from two to twenty men. Trinity Parish, New York, requires twenty. Other mission points are so small that the requirements are for only one man to four or five missions; and, as a matter of fact, we have found in several cases where one man was ministering to as many as twelve places. The one man task may be taken as the normal unit of demand. With the number of clergymen available to satisfy this demand, we shall have the picture as to how well the Church is provided with clergymen to man the field, as it is set.

We have two independent sources of information: One, the report of the Church Pension Fund, which concerns the entire Church; and one, the report of Mr. Warren Kearny on the Committee of Recruiting, being a study of the parishes and missions based upon the total number of clergymen, including Bishops, named in the Living Church Annual for 1928, from Alabama to Wyoming, inclusive, which is the Clergy list of the Church excluding the foreign field. Mr. Kearny has also had access to a large number of replies to an exhaustive questionnaire. The total number of clergymen in the Church reported in the Living Church Year-
book of 1928 is 6,207—an increase of 48 over the previous year. Of this number the Church Pension Fund reports 1,334 extra parochial clergymen, divided as follows:

- Retired—age: 506
- Retired—disability: 108
- Non-parochial (occupations unknown): 360
- Chaplains—U. S. N. and U. S. A.: 22
- Chaplains—Institutions: 34
- In business: 9
- Religious Orders: 23
- Teachers—Secular Schools: 55
- Teachers—Church Schools: 42
- Teachers—Theological Seminaries: 49
- Executives: 57
- Suspended: 8
- Serving other Churches: 12
- Serving without salary: 25
- Students: 13

Mr. Kearny's investigation has served to locate a number of the 360 reported by the Pension Fund as "Non-parochial—occupation unknown," and he has reduced this to 253. It seems, however, that of the non-parochials not presently employed, only 59 show any willingness to engage again in active parochial work, provided places could be found for them.

The above analysis by the Pension Fund shows 1,334 clergymen not available for active work in the field. This leaves a total of 4,873 in the entire Church available for field service. But 126 of these are Bishops and 377 are missionaries in foreign lands, so that we actually have only 4,370 priests available for field work at home.

Mr. Kearny has shown that we have 7,845 parishes and missions in the domestic field, the field which we are studying, of which those

- Served by one clergyman are: 7,395
- Served by two or more (as of Dec. 31, 1927) are: 450

Of the above there were vacant parishes and missions: 1,456

Of these:

- 50 are specifically served by Bishops.
- 395 are served by Archdeacons.
- 155 are served by General and Special Missionaries.
- 96 are served by Lay Workers.

Practically 48 per cent. of the vacant places are therefore served by Bishops and other Diocesan Clergy and a few Lay workers. It is interesting to note that there are approximately 14,000 communicants in these 696 parishes and missions (or about 1.2 per cent. of the total number of communicants of our Church), who are probably receiving only an occasional visitation from the Bishop or other Clergy.

Dividing the other 760 parishes and missions, now vacant but evidently heretofore served, into six (6) groups:
APPENDIX XXII

a. Served by one clergyman there are .................. 398
b. In groups of 2 served by one clergyman there are .... 166
c. In groups of 3 served by one clergyman there are .... 78
d. In groups of 4 served by one clergyman there are .... 64
e. In groups of 5 or more served by one clergyman there are 21
f. Apparently not served .................................. 33

760

It will also be interesting to note that in this division of 760 vacant places there are approximately 48,000 communicants not privileged to enjoy the services of the Church, or about 4 per cent. of the total number of communicants of our Church. In these two divisions there are nearly 62,000 communicants without benefit of a regular parish priest.

The above groups indicate that the need of men to supply these vacancies is as follows:

Group a. shows a lack of 398 clergymen
Group b. shows a lack of 83 clergymen
Group c. shows a lack of 26 clergymen
Group d. shows a lack of 16 clergymen
Group e. shows a lack of 3 clergymen

526

The total number of men to serve these 760 parishes and missions with their 48,000 communicants is therefore known to be 526.

Unfortunately the first group, consisting of the vacant places served by Bishops, Archdeacons, and others, cannot be computed with any degree of accuracy, as it is the habit in some Dioceses and Districts to place vacant places under the Bishop, Archdeacon and General Missionaries, as a temporary expedient to save the flock from embarrassment in times of special need, and until a fixed incumbent can be provided. It does not seem to be the custom of the Church to give Bishops, Archdeacons, General Missionaries, and Laymen fixed charges. So if we arbitrarily group these parishes and missions on the same basis as Group (c) in the second tabulation, where one clergyman ministers to three places, the number of clergymen required to minister to these 696 parishes and missions would be 232. This number added to the 526 in the other division would show a total shortage in the ministry within the United States of 758 men to minister to the 1,456 vacant parishes and missions with their 62,000 communicants.

It is obvious, however, that if all the vacant places were supplied, the 80 Archdeacons and Missionaries would probably be available for parish work, thereby reducing the shortage to 678. We have, however, given considerable study to the number of communicants in the various groups in these 760 vacant parishes and missions, and we have been very much surprised to find how few communicants many of these men would serve if the vacancies were filled. For instance, 53 of these places have less than 10 communicants each; 49 have less than 20 each; 41 have less than 30 each; 21 less than 40 each, and 24 less than 50 each. This means that, as listed, the 188 places with a total of 3,865 communicants apparently require 188 clergymen, or an average of only a trifle over 20 communicants per clergyman. This would seem to be a waste of man power, and distance and other local conditions permitting, it would seem that these vacancies could be served efficiently by considerably less than 188 men. The same condition prevails, although not in such aggravated form, in places ranging from 50 to 100 communicants.
In Group (b) we find that one man serves seven (7) communicants and another serves eight (8) communicants in two places; and this condition also obtains in fifteen groups—two churches to the group—with less than 50 communicants in each group.

Presuming that the 398 in Group (a), serving 31,000 communicants, could conservatively be reduced to 300, we would then take 98 from 678 and leave 580 as the irreducible minimum of the number of men required to efficiently man the vacant places in the home field.

And it should be distinctly understood that this makes no provision whatever for any advance work of the Church, or for any additions to those teaching in our Church colleges, schools, and seminaries, or those engaged in the social service work of the Church. The figures we have presented show only the actual shortage in the parish work of the Church at home.

A study of the Summaries of Statistics for the Trienniums 1907, 1910, 1913, 1916, 1922, 1925, and the Annual Reports of 1926 and 1927, discloses a steady increase in the number of Clergy reported from the Convention Journals of 1907 to 1925, inclusive, as also for the years 1926 and 1927. The number of Clergy reported in 1907 was 3,329; the number reported in 1927 was 6,207.

During this period the communicant membership of the Church has increased from 833,828 to 1,218,941.

During the same period, the percentage of increase of Clergy has been 16.47 per cent.; the percentage of increase of communicants has been 46.18 per cent.

The number of ordinations to the diaconate is not altogether satisfactory. For the Triennium of 1907 the ordinations to the diaconate were 483; in the Triennium of 1925 there were 479. In 1913, just before the War, the number of deacons ordained during the Triennium was 545; during the Triennium of 1916, 543; during that of 1922, 364—so that the number of deacons ordained has dropped from the high-water mark of 545 during the Triennium of 1913.

Continuously, the same drift is noticed amongst the priests. In the Triennium ending 1907 there were 471 priests ordained; in 1910 (during the Triennium), 508; during the Triennium of 1913, 507; during that of 1916, 489. During the Triennium of 1922 only 385 were ordained; during that of 1925, 431.

The same trend is observable in the number of candidates for Holy Orders. In 1907 the Triennium report showed 469 candidates; the Triennium report of 1925, 477 candidates. During the War the anticipated notable decrease is strongly observable, though 1922 showed the smallest number (294 during the Triennium); and during the Triennium of 1925, 477.

The candidates reported during the years 1926 and 1927 are more hopeful in number, as we appointed 440 in 1926 and 431 in 1927.

The increase in the recorded number of Lay Readers is notable—2,464 being reported during the 1907 Triennium and 4,236 during that of 1925. The statistics reported in the Living Church Annual show that less than 100 Lay Readers were in charge of parishes and missions. Hundreds, however, are performing valuable service for the Church by filling temporary needs.

We wish that the figures were so divided as to show how many Lay Readers are actually being used in one capacity or another, and how many are simply licensed but never render service of any kind. Numbers alone mean very little—active service is the true measure of usefulness.
In closing this portion of our report we would emphasize our conviction that the total shortage of Clergy arrived at is of necessity much below the real shortage. It is obvious that the Bishops and Diocesan officials only are competent to estimate the actual number of men required in their several Dioceses. They have first-hand information; we can only venture an estimate.

No figures, we have stated, are obtainable as to the number of men desired for advance work.

Two years ago Bishop Capers read a paper before the Tenth Synod of the Province of the Southwest upon the urgent need of recruiting the ministry in which he said:

"We find that over half of the population of the United States is within one-fourth of her area. Second, we find that the Church has very nearly three-fourths of her communicant strength within the territory of the states first settled through the original colonies, and that nearly three-fourths of her active Clergy are at work in this territory. Third, this leaves just 1,628 Clergy to minister to the vast territory that lies between the Mississippi River and the Pacific Coast, and to the great and populous states that are embraced between the Ohio and Mississippi Rivers on the east and west and the Great Lakes on the north.

"Now, it would appear at first sight that the Church is well entrenched within the old and well established states of our nation, and yet, as we study the condition of the Church in the group of the sixteen states south of Maryland, we find that, while she is well established in the larger cities of these states, yet she is still a stranger to many hundreds of the counties of these states. In fact, there is hardly a Diocese within these two groups of states that is not undermanned. For instance, the Bishop of Bethlehem reports that he could use twenty-four recruits, the Bishop of Central New York could use six, and the Bishop of Albany, ten. Because of the serious and critical need of man-power in her ministry, even here where the Church's greatest strength lies, she is not in any position to contribute from her present working force of Clergy one man of them for the pioneer work of the middlewest or beyond the Mississippi. When once this condition is fully comprehended by the leaders of the Church, it will be seen that the urgent need for men in the ministry must be based upon the following facts: First, even where the Church has her strongest positions, she is undermanned and is doing little more than holding her own, and therefore there is practically no chance for her to enter new fields, even though they lie at her very door. Second, that she has not Clergy enough even now, to keep up with the progress and ever-increasing population of the territory where she is most strongly planted. Third, that if the states beyond the Mississippi are to be ministered to in any appreciable way by the Church, a veritable army of recruits must be sent into the field within the next ten years in order to save the Church from losing entirely her opportunity of service and leadership.

"In analyzing the age of the ministry that is now serving the Church, I find that of the 6,140 Clergy only 1,186 are under forty years of age. This suggests the thought that there is a lack of young blood in the ministry. And when we take into consideration that the most striking fact, the most inspiring and thrilling fact in relation to the life of the United States is that as a nation she is still in her youth; we must treat with solemn judgment the necessity of keeping the ministry well supplied with young blood from the best of our youth."

As against this inadequate supply of clergymen it is encouraging to call your attention to the tabulation showing the ratio, included in the
appendix, of the total number of deacons ordained in each triennium from 1823 to 1928, to the number of communicants; and the number of candidates to the number of communicants. This tabulation shows that in the triennium ending in 1823, out of 146 communicants one offered himself for the ministry. This ratio increased gradually until, in the triennium ending 1919, only one man out of 4,071 communicants offered himself for the ministry.

Since that report, which certainly challenged the attention of the Church, there has been a decided betterment. The triennium ending 1922 showed the ratio 1 to 3,125; ending 1925 showed the ratio 1 to 2,493, and the triennium ending 1928 showed the ratio 1 to 2,176 so that we are making rapid recovery in the number of clergymen which we are producing to meet our lamentable needs. But at the present rate of supply, even if there were no loss in our ranks by death or other causes, it would take years to produce the required demand.

Our Church has, however, for many years been exceptionally strengthened by the services of clergymen whom we did not ourselves produce. We have been increasingly dependent upon ministers of other religious bodies who have been ordained into our ministry, but more particularly by men in orders who have come to us from our sister Church in England and from her colonies. It is obvious that we shall not be able in the future to count upon the men who come from the Church of England, as strongly as we have in the past. Lord Haldane in one of our January magazines, to which reference has already been made, addresses himself to the possible remedy for the lamentable shortage of candidates for the ministry in the English Church. His declaration is based upon his conviction that the Church of England is facing a serious situation and that something must be done to remedy the lack of men for the ministry.

The same magazine contains also an article by the Rev. Hubert Handley entitled "Decline in the Ministry of the Church of England," from which we quote the following:

"The Church of England will have ceased to exist. These words occur in the Preface to Crockford's Clerical Directory, 1927. I will give the main context, putting into italics the extraordinarily ominous passages. Here is the handwriting on the wall:

"It looks as if the Church of England cannot count on more than 350 new recruits a year (to the ministry) for some time to come. Of these a very large number are quite unable to provide themselves with an adequate education. ... Additions to the Prayer Book may enrich public worship in various ways and the Church Assembly may pursue its ideals of efficiency with unabated satisfaction to itself. But all the while the backbone of the Church is being slowly broken by the fact that men to do the work are not forthcoming. ... We doubt whether the importance and urgency of the question have yet been realized by the Laity, even by the House of Laity. It is not too much to say that if the history of the last ten years is continued for another ten, the effective maintenance of the parochial system will have become impossible in all but a few favoured localities. Anything which can fairly be called 'The Church of England' will have ceased to exist, and its place will have been taken by the sporadic activities of a denomination."

Crockford's Clerical Directory, familiarly spoken of as Crockford, is well known within the Church of England. It is a large book of some 2,000 pages, recording a list of all Clergy within the Anglican Communion, and, in the case of each clergyman, noting the chief educational and ecclesiastical facts of his career. It is published by the Oxford
University Press, and has been for a long time so ably and exactly edited that though not official it is authoritative. Above all, for our present purpose it is impartial.

Its judgment on candidates for the ministry in the Church of England is

(1) They are failing in quantity: "Men are not forthcoming."

(2) They are failing in quality: "A very large number are quite unable to provide themselves with an adequate education."

"It is the loss in quality, the educational and mental defect, which matters most. It is the danger that the Anglican ministry may fail in learning and ability. We fear," said Crockford in 1926, "that the number of Clergy capable of attacking the intellectual problems of religion in the universities or anywhere else is neither large nor increasing. No thinking Churchman can view this insufficiency and peril without concern."

Thus matters stand seemingly in England.

With an estimated shortage of 580 clergymen to fill the vacancies in the parishes and missions in the United States; with the supply of recruits from England threatened to be diminished; with our communicant list growing and the number of parishes and missions increasing; and with the words of our Saviour's great commission ringing in our ears, it is obvious that something should be done.

First, to recruit the ministry by taking steps to stimulate Vocation.

No one agency for recruiting can be superior to the recruiting done by the rector of the parish and the pastor of the flock. That he should set this before him as one of the major objectives of his ministry is obvious. But, to give the matter specific point, we quote from data presented by one of our college presidents, the following:

"During an investigation by one of our Church colleges, recently made, concerning the reasons why students come to that college, it was found that 80 per cent. of the considerable number of postulants entered stated that they were directly led to the decision of a vocation by the influence of their rector. This is true over a term of several years. It was also discovered that a stream of postulants came from certain parishes. Further investigation showed that certain rectors always had from one to four of their parishioners studying or preparing for orders. It was also discovered that the students who were most determined in their vocation were those whose rectors were in constant touch with them. And the viewpoint of these clergymen may be summarized by the words of one of them: 'I have always considered that the constant effort to lead suitable young men to consider the vocation of the priesthood should be one of the major objectives of the ministry, on a par with preaching, teaching, and ministering to the sick and afflicted. The Army and Navy, and other professions, are mainly recruited by the personal efforts and example of their members. Should it not be true with the ministry?'"

Your Commission would therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolution No. 2.

Resolved, That the General Convention urge upon the Clergy of the Church the need of making as a major objective of endeavor the securing of fit persons to serve in the sacred ministry of the Church.

Second, to train it highly, not only for efficiency, but for its reactionary effect upon recruiting; and to so distribute that ministry that the discouragements from misfit with its consequent diminution of purpose, should not only save the flock from loss, but possible postulants from the abandonment of their leaning.
In the training of men for the ministry, the Church has not so conspicuously lacked, as in the recruiting.

The Chairman of our Subcommittee on Education finds all of our seminaries full to capacity.

LOCATION OF SEMINARIES

With reference to the location of seminaries he observes that their distribution has to do with the sources of supply as well as with a proper dissemination of the product.

We quote from the report:

The chief sources of supply, if we may use that term, are so far removed from that vast territory lying west of the Mississippi River, where many men are needed to man the smaller places, that there has arisen a desire to localize the production of ministers as seen in the recent increase in the number of small and ill-equipped schools.

Moreover, it is well to take note of the fact that there is a marked difference of opinion here among the deans of our various seminaries.

In the main the deans of the larger and older schools maintain that this tendency is unfortunate. The deans of the newer and smaller schools, have a philosophy of justification such as this. We quote from one of them: "I do not think that we have too many seminaries, but I do think that those which we do have are not happily distributed. There are too many in the East, too few in the Middle and farther West and South. Each region should train its own in the atmosphere of the region where the men are to work." (Italics ours.) "How can a seminary at Cambridge or New York or Philadelphia train men for work in agricultural or mining districts? Inevitably they train them to city ideas and desires and ambitions rather than to the conditions of newer and more sparsely settled regions."

a. Regional training will inevitably make for an increase in the number of ministers. Some of them will doubtless be inadequately equipped by comparison with others. It does not follow, however, that all of them will be poorly equipped.

We conclude therefore that,

(1) The present tendency to increase the number of training schools for the ministry, is a logical sequence of two patent facts:
   (a) The distribution of our larger seminaries, and
   (b) The conviction, widely shared that there is a need for an indigenous ministry regionally trained.

(2) Our second conclusion is that the Church might well consider among its other obligations, the strengthening of training schools which meet such standards as the Church may set, and at the same time it might do much to equalize distribution of the sources from which ministers come, thus preventing duplication of effort and unnecessary multiplication of similar schools.

We are prepared, therefore, to recommend:

That the Church consider the advisability of lending encouragement both in word and deed to certain theological schools occupying strategic positions, such as the Church Divinity School of the Pacific.
Theological Training.

With reference to training, the subcommittee reports: Preparation cannot be considered apart from the needs of the times for which it is to function. The question has been raised, "Are we succeeding in making ministers who can maintain the influence of the Churches as they ought?"

To this we would reply that the popularity of the Churches is not a proper measure of their influence. It must ever be kept in mind that the inefficiency of the Church is the inefficiency of the family as opposed to the efficiency of the factory.

It is a serious question whether the tendency to put "business brains" at the service of the Church is not transforming the ethics of the Church from that of Christ, who counted it worthwhile to seek the one lost sheep, to that of the corporation which measures efficiency in terms of dividends.

In substantiation of this view we wish to place in juxtaposition these two statements. One is from the Report of the Committee of Evaluation approved and apparently adopted by the National Council as one of its working principles: "Financial support shall not be given by the National Council to any work not showing statistical growth over a period of five years." And the other statement is from the Report to the General Convention by the Department of Religious Education on the Educational Statistics of the Clergy (1925), "These statistics now covering nine years show that usually two-thirds of our Clergy come from the rural districts, or small cities—a fact which makes work in these sections of unusual importance."

Another difficulty arises from modern tendencies in secular education. Medical schools insist today upon a certain measure of pre-medical education. Our seminaries on the other hand admit men who have a degree, without much consideration of what the degree represents. This by confession of seminary deans. The above quoted statistics also show that one-fourth of our Clergy come from our Church Colleges.

We also deem it necessary to call attention to the fact that some seminaries permit young students to be ordained to the Diaconate so soon as they are able to pass their examination for Deacon's Orders. This results in their ordination to the Priesthood as soon as they are graduated from the seminary. For these there is no Diaconate in any real sense of the word. We question the wisdom of this.

Moreover, we believe that except in the case of those who come to us from other ministries, or who are advanced in years or concerning whom there are extenuating circumstances, a deacon should not only be required to serve a full year in the Diaconate, but during this time he should be under the guidance and direction of a competent priest. Only in some such ways as these can the Diaconate as a separate Order of the Ministry be restored, and this we hold to be a desideratum.

We have inquired diligently into the question as to whether the intellectual standards for our own ministry have fallen. There seems no possibility of deciding this question on the basis of such a conflict of opinions as we have received. On one point there is unanimity, as we have already indicated, namely, that this is no time to let down the bars. We shall refer to this again under a later caption; suffice it here to say that the same statistics above referred to, make this significant admission. Under the heading "Average Age of Ordination," we read that between 1916-1919 (i.e. before the revision of our canons on ordination), only 7% of our Clergy were ordained after the age of 40. Whereas in the following Triennium this percentage had risen to 23%. We believe that this tendency, if it be a tendency, will bear watching.
Modern educators are telling us that the Junior College is to be the solution of the present difficulties of the universities incident to overcrowding. They want to rid themselves of the hordes of freshmen and sophomores which now infest them; if we may use their language.

While Church Colleges are in no sense Junior Colleges, yet as the Church College does not aspire to be a university, and because universities desire to eliminate all pre-technical work, the Church College today has a greater claim on the loyalty of the Church as a fruitful recruiting ground for the ministry than it had a generation ago. We believe that it would be a serious mistake if the Church does not capitalize this interesting situation.

We therefore offer the following resolution:

**Resolution No. 3.**

Resolved, That the attention of the Church be called to the claims of our Church Colleges as competent and successful training schools for students contemplating the ministry.

**The Technical Process.**

We have already called attention to the numerous factors involved in this process. We must now speak of them more in detail.

(a) The Bishops. All the evidence points to the conclusion that Bishops do not exercise sufficient care and discrimination in the admission of postulants. Much complaint by Bishops on the subject of clerical incompetence might be eliminated if the Bishops themselves faced more resolutely their own responsibilities in the premises. We are ready to sponsor any proper method which will help to secure this.

(b) Standing Committees. These formerly passed only upon the candidates' moral character. They now share with others the responsibility of passing upon intellectual fitness. Mistakes in judgment will sometimes be made, but we have before us no comments whatever on Standing Committees. The inference is that they do their work fairly well.

(c) Examining Chaplains. The assumption that there are in every Diocese or District enough qualified priests to serve as examiners, does violence to the facts. We commend the Commission on the Ministry and especially Canon W. L. DeVries and the Diocese of Washington for what they have done to raise the standards of this important work. There are those who believe that the Canons themselves prescribe a sufficient national standard of examination. There are others who believe that conditions would be much improved by having a National Board of Examiners to pass upon the intellectual fitness of candidates, leaving to the Bishops the duty of passing upon the candidates' orthodoxy.

The consensus of opinion is that Bishops do not really examine. It is held by some that this is by no means an evil. They assert in support of their view that "the very idea of examining chaplains historically, is that they should represent the presbyterate of the Diocese and relieve the chief presbyter (the Bishop) of details, and generally speaking they do it better than would many of our Bishops; and do it with more responsibility and freedom in his absence." We believe that there is much truth in that statement.

(d) The Theological Seminary. We come now to the most important
factor in the technical process. We shall deal with the matter under the following heads:

a. Personnel
b. Curricula

a. Personnel

It is a cheap criticism which maintains that we have only "A second-rate theology, taught by third-rate men."

We have respect and unbounded admiration for the ability and self-sacrificing labors of many of our seminary professors. Nothing but devotion and loyalty holds many of them to their tasks. We wish the Church might be aroused to the inadequate stipends which the great majority of these servants of the Church are receiving.

There are before us instances, however, which clearly point to the tendency in those bodies which control our seminaries, to sacrifice efficiency to sentiment.

Undoubtedly one who has taught for many years on a seminary faculty could hardly qualify for parochial work. We do believe that a few such men on adequate retiring allowances would be far less costly in the long run, than their retention on faculties long after they have "lost their grip."

The theory of life-tenure which this Church has brought over from the Church of England, works a hardship in many different directions. It is evident that this is a matter which can never be rectified unless Bishops and priests abjure self-interest in devotion to the welfare of the whole Body of Christ. This would lead us far afield, but it might be extremely worthwhile occasionally to make an excursion off the beaten track.

b. Curricula.

We desire to make it clear that we do not set ourselves up as competent to deal intelligently with all the technical details and inner workings of our theological seminaries. Rather are we a clearing house for an interchange of current ideas. What we here set forth has been gleaned by inquiry among those seemingly best qualified to discuss these subjects. They have done so with admirable frankness and no little detail. We would lay it down as a first principle that no seminary faculty should ever be compelled to retain a student if they deem him unfit intellectually to enter the ministry.

There is much evidence that seminary standards have been raised. This is as it should be. The general level of intelligence has risen. Requirements of other professions and of the ministries of other communions have been raised.

In the face of all this we find much doubt expressed whether our own ministry is keeping pace with these tendencies. Among these doubters are seminary deans, priests of the Church who are teaching in universities, and other priests in parochial work.

A careful study of the documents before us convinces us that there is large room for more definition of aim as to what the seminaries are to do. We like this statement by one of our deans and we quote it:

"The subject of the ministry needs thorough consideration and reconstruction. I am sure that the Church must determine what kind of a ministry it wants and needs. I am convinced that our people today are not greatly interested in time-serving fussiness, either in ceremonial or
parish organization. What we need is sound groundwork, basic work and effort in a vital evangelistic enterprise."

From another learned priest of the Church we quote the following:

"Learning in the sense of accurate knowledge of the Bible in the original tongues, ecclesiastical and liturgical history, and the general principles of science and philosophy are specially needed today. Not because the learned priest need preach learned things but because the Clergy are chosen to be the authoritative expounders of Christian truth."

In the combination of these two statements we think we have a fairly comprehensive and representative definition of aim.

We rejoice to find unanimity on at least one point in connection with the curriculum of a seminary.

From the Bishops, much of whose time is occupied with repairing the breaches in the pastoral relationship between pastor and people, comes a plea for greater attention to the psychology of human contacts. Many of the Clergy who are great readers of books seem scarcely to have opened the book of human nature.

From the deans of seminaries, and they all say the same thing in different ways, we get this statement: "More attention should be paid to the details of pastoral care with the assistance of Clergy who are active in the field and who are known to be competent to deal effectively with individuals; men who are more or less expert along psychological and sociological lines."

Another step in advance is indicated by the following: We learn for example that "The General Seminary in New York has associated with it a parish. The rector of this parish is also the professor of Pastoral Care. He uses the students in carrying on the work of this parish, and is attempting to initiate the 'case system' of instruction. The young men work out the practical problems of the parish—visiting, administration, instruction, etc., as well as preaching."

We therefore recommend:

That where it has not already been done, our seminaries be urged to substitute for "Pastoral Theology" some other term indicating more fittingly the intensely practical character of the work.

That our seminaries be urged to strengthen their courses in Pastoral Care by using their alumni or others who are specially qualified to deal with the subject. That in so far as it is possible, the custom of using students in more or less isolated and small mission stations on Sundays be discontinued and that the students be given some opportunity on Sundays or at other time to secure first-hand experience in the problems which belong to this department.

This brings us to another important question about which there is some difference of opinion as to details, but little as to the general principle, and that is the question of specialization.

It is clear from the answers to our questionnaire that the question touching this particular point was not as well understood.

We were told that Theology is in itself specialization. So it is, but only in the sense that Medicine is distinct from Law.

Again we were told that there is already a large measure of specialization or at least of opportunity for specialization in our seminaries at the present time.
What we were seeking to elicit was the confession that the whole trend of the times and the character of the modern clergyman's work militate against the development of anything like true scholarship. It is true, as one says, that 'much of the best theological literature of England comes from the country parsonages.'

We cannot hope to re-create the country parsonage in modern America. Yet we cannot escape the conviction that there is more time for study and for helpful writing in this country than many would admit. Be that as it may, what we have in mind in asking for greater attention to specialization is not the production of what one dean aptly characterizes as "Pullman Car Propagandists," but rather that more attention be given in our seminars to the inspiring of students who reveal a special bent, to develop and make the most of it.

Take this particular case for example: A certain student known to us, after one year in Hebrew was reading Hebrew for the sheer joy of it. What became of him? He is a parish priest but of the kind who is more at home with his books than with his people. His latent talents were never given a chance to come to fruition. He is merely doing less efficiently what other men of lesser talents are doing better.

While our seminars must be primarily concerned with the production of parish Clergy it should be clearly understood that the Church does not contemplate one aspect of the ministry only, however important that may be, to the exclusion of other aspects which are absolutely necessary to sound scholarship.

For good or ill the aim of a "vital evangelistic enterprise" on the one hand, and the "authoritative expounding of Christian truth" on the other, cannot be divorced from the conditions of modern life under which they must be presented. There is still room in the medical profession for the general practitioner but real progress in medicine is today in the hands of its specialists.

It is solely in the interest of real scholarship in the several distinct fields embraced under the general caption "Theology" or "Religion" that we made the following recommendation:

That the endowment of men be given consideration by the Church as well as the endowment of institutions. (By this we mean the setting free from other tasks, of men specially fitted to undertake research in those fields of religious knowledge for which they display an aptitude in seminary or in later life. It is perhaps unnecessary to say here that we have in mind something quite distinct from the endowed scholarship which enables some students to procure their theological schooling. This is a matter which, we learn from the deans, can be easily overdone.)

In this connection, we believe that the Joint Commission's final report should gratefully call attention to the generous endowment, by an anonymous person, for special training in the preaching office. This, at the National Cathedral—$250,000 for a building and one million dollars for endowment. This we understand is under the leadership of Bishop Rhinelander, and that the proposed building will be ready for occupancy by the Fall of 1929.

This is commendable in that it looks toward specialization in at least one important field of clerical usefulness. We venture to express the hope, however, that the Church will guard against the raising up of a class of professional peripatetic evangelists. This fear is already expressed by one of our correspondents, who writes as follows: "I am still
old fashioned enough to believe that an intelligent man who settles down in a community and stays there, loving his people, keeping up his reading, doing his best to pray and think, beats any 'evangelist' there is for the gaining of converts to Jesus Christ."

There has come to our sub-committee also from prominent members of the Commission on the Ministry, who are outside the seminary group or circle, a most urgent plea that the seminaries be requested to strengthen their courses in "Exegesis." The complaint seems to be that candidates emerging from the seminary are too often ill equipped in this respect.

This request coming as it does from those who have had much to do with the examination of candidates for the ministry, therefore deserves attention.

We therefore recommend:

That our seminaries be advised of the plea for a strengthening of their courses in Biblical Exegesis and that they be urged to give this matter careful consideration.

The Canons.

There was a thorough revision of the Canons relating to Ordination only nine years ago. With this revision the Seminaries and the Examining Chaplains had much to do. It is natural therefore that we have had little complaint about the Canons.

As already indicated, no little doubt exists concerning Canon 5 which deals with "Examinations for Admission to Holy Orders in Special Cases."

Further inquiry here is warranted by the doubts if not by the facts.

We therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolution No. 4.

Resolved, That the Commission on Ministry of the Department of Religious Education be requested to make special inquiry during the next Triennium into the practical working of Canon 5 with a view of ascertaining if possible whether it has resulted in a lowering of standards, whether the safeguards which it carries are being observed, and what, if anything, may be done to effect its aim.

Continuity of the Process.

With this phase of our subject we can deal briefly. We inquire here not "How can we reform an existent institution?" but "How can we encourage a more or less non-existent aspiration?"

Many facts seem to indicate that serious or systematic study for many clergymen ceases with their departure from the seminary. Tabloid literature has taken the place of solid reading. The will to read needs strengthening. Can the Church, corporately, do anything in the premises?

Two facts emerge:

1. The unoccupied Seminaries and Church Colleges during long vacation seasons, raise a question. (Incidentally it has been pointed out that America compares badly with England in this matter of summer vacations. There are those who maintain that we encourage in this country a reckless waste of time.)

2. There are those who believe that the numerous Summer Schools or Summer Conferences as they are variously termed, offer great possibilities of development.
The curricula of Summer Schools are designed now, for the most part, to encourage the attendance of the Laity and the young people with a view to making them more useful to their respective parishes. This is good. But cannot the Church visualize a possibility here for the Clergy?

It is said that the Clergy who attend Summer Schools are as a rule those who need it least. But this is the problem which confronts every minister as he faces his Sunday morning congregation. The absentees are usually the ones most in need of his message.

The problem which we face is one of inspiration rather than technique. From a university professor who is also a priest of the Church and intimately acquainted with Summer Schools, both secular and religious, comes this inquiry: "Could not the National Council send out specially trained lecturers on strictly intellectual subjects, as well as leaders of Mission Study Classes and lecturers on Sunday School method?"

We are inclined to believe that here are matters which might well repay further study.

We recommend therefore:

That further study be given during the next Triennium, to the whole subject of Summer Vacations and the consequent unoccupied Seminary and Church College Buildings; and to regional Training Schools for Clergy such as are now existent under interdenominational auspices—all with a view to the making of such practical suggestions as may lead to wider and greater zeal among the Clergy for continuing the educational process.

C. Distribution

This general heading brings your Commission to its last grave and perplexing question as to how to place the Clergy of the Church, happily for themselves and for the best advantage to the work.

There is much to be said for the present system. It is not unreasonable to suppose that the local vestry will know better than any outsider what sort of a man would best be qualified for the local work. And, again, there is much to be said for the principle of free and independent choice—as over against appointment.

Yet the practice of relying so exclusively upon Vestry Call as a means of placing our Clergy is far from being satisfactory, and the situation is chaotic and tragic. Vestries frequently do not know the real needs of their own parishes, and their choice of a rector is too generally made on shallow grounds. We are drifting into ways, new and dangerous. Protracted pastorates have well-nigh passed.

There is an increasing amount of restlessness and change. Few men seem quite happy and content where they are and few congregations are wholly satisfied.

Most of this restlessness, so writes "The Cleric," is amongst those whose salaries are below $2,500 a year, but the group is the major group of the Church.

Vestries are more insistent upon having men under 40 or 45 years of age, with some three or four years' experience, so that men have but a decade in which to establish themselves or run the risk of being unable to support their families.

Vestries also lay special emphasis on the following points:

(a) Men who can command the attention of the young people and attract them to the services.
The point which reappears in the letters from Clergymen is that vestries seem to care little about "Spiritual, Priestly or Churchly Work among the people."

As the average vestry is circumscribed in its contacts with available men, and as suggestion even by the Bishop may be construed as interference, misfit is becoming not the exception but the rule.

To this point one of our Theological Seminary Deans writes:

"A good man in the wrong post damages the work and himself. Yet we have no means of rectifying these wastes and tragedies. If the clergymen himself cuts the knot and resigns, he is likely to become an ecclesiastical pariah—a laborer whom no man will hire.

"Except for mission stations and in the brief hour of the diaconate, the Church has no means by which to utilize its man-power strategically."

I have no desire to see the power of mission granted to our Bishops: but I should greatly like to see some system by which our younger Clergy should be under the orders of a Board of Strategy, for at least the first five years of their ministry—to be sent wherever the need of the Church is greatest at the time."

What this plan should be was studied by Dean Bartlett and Rev. Alexander Zabriskie who prepared a statement dealing with two suggestions, which had been brought to the attention of this Commission. The paper they presented to the Commission is printed in the Appendix.

I. The first suggestion concerned itself entirely with the problem of the placement of the Junior Clergy, for the first five years after their ordination to the diaconate. In brief, this suggestion involved the following points:

(a) That the power of mission over all Clergy for five years should be lodged with the Bishops who are members of the National Council.

(b) That in exercising this power, the Bishops should seek the judgment of the deans of seminaries as to both the special gifts and the special needs of their respective graduates, before making assignments.

(c) That any clergymen not thus assigned by the aforesaid Bishops should fall under the direction of the Presiding Bishop of the Province for a similar period of five years.

The advantages of this plan would appear to be (i.) a certain national policy and strategy in the employment of the man-power of the Church, (ii.) The development of the sense of responsibility on the part of the Clergy for the work of the Church of Christ as a whole, rather than the present tie with and responsibility to a localized congregation. And it was pointed out that there is a broadening sense of responsibility in the Church at Large, and a growing feeling for the work of the Kingdom among candidates for the ministry, that might make such a scheme practicable, and that would certainly be deepened by it.

The disadvantages and difficulties were also noted. (i.) The proposal is drastic and even revolutionary. It would certainly be very hard to enforce. And it would not be welcomed in very many Dioceses where every deacon is, generally, jealously claimed for local work. (ii.) The task that would rest upon the Bishops of the National Council would be onerous and exacting. To fulfill it wisely would involve protracted sessions in addition to their attendance on meetings of the Council; and would necessitate a wide and accurate, and even detailed knowledge of the whole work of the Church at home and abroad, and a similar knowl-
edge each year of the men to be placed. At best, this knowledge could be, in the main, only second-hand; and it would be constantly in danger of becoming perfunctory and shallow.

II. The second suggestion concerned itself not alone with the clergyman during his first five years in Orders, but with the whole question of the relation of the workers to the work. It was pointed out that there is at present a quasi-voluntary Bureau of Registration, the object of which is the placement of ministers. It does not accomplish much, partly because of its nature and partly because the Clergy feel it beneath their dignity to ask the Bureau for a job. He suggested the formal and official creation of a Committee on Personnel, to be composed of Bishops, priests and perhaps laymen, to deal not only with the unplaced and dissatisfied Clergy, but also to have responsible charge of the placement of men in the domestic field in general. Such a body would be advisory only, but it might readily come to have great weight in the life of the Church. It would need a full-time secretary, and some members with much leisure to give to its duties.

The Commission points out that two quite distinct and separable problems are here involved. One of these, and a very urgent one, is the effective use by the Church of its man-power for the strategic advance of its general obligation to serve and save the world—irrespective of all bounds of parish, Diocese or Province. The other is the elimination, or at least the material reduction, of the unhappy and wasteful misfits that are at present so rife and so damaging in the Church's life. On both these points we desire to present suggestions. It appears to us that there are sound purposes back of the suggestion that the first five years of the ministry should be subject to mission. The firing line of the Church is inadequately manned. There are many posts, some hard and discouraging, yet inherently important, others weak and undeveloped but with great latent possibilities, where under our present system the Church can only send (or does actually only send) men past their prime, or men who have no gifts that could win them so-called "desirable" cures. At the same time we are breeding each year a considerable number of men, vigorous in mind and body, devoted in purpose; most of whom are sent, prematurely and undeveloped, into more stable posts, where they themselves too often sink into ruts and lose initiative and the power of growth. It is our belief that a considerable number of the best of our young men would be eager to offer themselves, for a reasonable and limited time, to such service for their first years, when their youthful vigor is greatest and when their financial needs are least, and none would resent a draft for a brief fixed period. There are two inherent difficulties when service is voluntary; first, the release of these men for such service by their Bishops; and, second, their own realization that a man who so offers himself is likely to be pocketed and forgotten, in a position that is inherently one for youth rather than for middle age. It appears to us that both these difficulties are soluble, if the Church sees fit to effect a draft. Should the Church, acting through General Convention, adopt the general plan, Bishops would but retard their use of their Candidates for five years. They need lose none of them. This could be certified by experiment. We believe it worth the trial. We therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolution No. 5.

Resolved, That a Joint Commission of the General Convention, consisting of 3 Bishops, 3 Presbyters and 3 Laymen be appointed, with whom there shall be associated one Bishop, one Presbyter and one Layman
elected by each Province for the consideration of the whole subject of Distribution of the Ministry, to whom the recommendations on the subject in this report, shall be referred; said Joint Commission to make report with recommendations to the next General Convention.

As to the second matter. This suggestion if generally made effective would help materially in bringing the right man into touch with the right job.

The matter is confessedly thorny. It is made the more so by what seems to us the exaggeratedly parochial character of our actual working polity. Each vestry is a law unto itself. It is true that Canon 20, Section II., of General Convention gives the Bishop a certain gesture of concern in "the filling of vacant cures": It is only a gesture. The section reads: "No election of a Rector shall be had until the name of the Clergyman whom it is proposed to elect has been made known to the Bishop, if there be one, and sufficient time, not exceeding thirty days, has been given him to communicate with the vestry thereon." That, of course, gives the Bishop an opening; he may express his judgment, as forcibly as he will; and this is valuable. But it gives him no other right in the matter than the right to deliver his soul; and the vestry are within their rights to disregard his advice in toto, and without assignment of reasons. This comparative ineffectiveness of the provision is one difficulty; another is the fact that the onus of unwelcome advice (even when genuinely sound) falls upon the Bishop alone and is likely (if given) to complicate his position of leadership of the Diocese. There are various possibilities of change. (i) The Bishop's definite approval might be made legally necessary; privilege of advice might be made power of veto. (ii.) The initiative might be placed in the hands of the Bishop, and he be required to nominate, say, three men to the vestry; if none of the three proved acceptable, another group of nominations might be submitted. Or (iii.) the veto, or for that matter, the power of nomination might be lodged with the Bishop and the Standing Committee, or the clerical members thereof. This last suggestion on the whole seems to us wisest and most workable. The Standing Committee is annually elected; and the parishes could thus have a frequent and direct voice in the creation of the controlling personnel. There is very much to be said in general for the policy of administration not by a single somewhat autocratic official (we use the word with reference not to the personalities involved but to the constitutional character of the office) but by the head of the Diocese in consultation with his constitutional advisers. Much more might very wisely be made of our Standing Committees (and their historic origin would support this) as properly the cabinet, or advisers of the Bishop, who should share with him in formulating important decisions and policies. And we are inclined to believe that Bishop and Standing Committee together would have a wiser understanding than the local vestry of the real needs of the parish, and a quicker and surer means than they of forming an impartial judgment as to the fitness of this or that clergyman for the particular cure.

With reference to distribution of men who have served five years, your Commission is of opinion that not much can be presented in the form of recommendation other than to call attention:

First, to the instability of clerical tenure;
Second, to the lack of men for special work, and the lack of special work for men having gifts, predilections, aspirations and strong leanings for some particular type of service;
Third, for the establishment of a school, or department in one or more of our seminaries, similar to the school of preaching in connection
with the Washington Cathedral, which could stress the training of special gifts for highly specialized work, such as university chaplaincies, chaplaincies to public institutions, rural work, city mission work, chaplaincies in the Army and Navy, religious education, Christian psychiatry, et al.;

Fourth, the making enlarged use of the Personnel Bureau where record may be kept not only of a man’s history and achievements but of his predilections, aspirations and special gifts;

Fifth, the development of some plan whereby the General Church might be able to avail itself of the services of young men after ordination to the Diaconate for a period of time; with this concrete recommendation, that the Bishops should release their candidates for Holy Orders, after ordination to the Priesthood, from service in their own Diocese, for a period of five years, at the end of which time automatically they should be transferred to their Diocesan, without period, and then be subject generally to vestry call.

(Here follow resolutions as acted on by both Houses.)

**APPENDIX XXIII.**

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO CERTIFY CHANGES IN THE CONSTITUTION**

The Joint Committee of the two Houses of the General Convention appointed to certify the Changes in the Constitution proposed by the General Convention of 1928, as provided in Canon 63, Section III., hereby certifies that the following changes were proposed, the same to be ratified by the General Convention of 1931:

Amend Article I., Section 3, by adding after the words “entitled to vote in the House of Bishops,” at line 7 of the Article, the following words “except that whenever two-thirds of the House of Bishops are present a majority vote shall suffice.”

Amend Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution so that the third sentence thereof shall read as follows:

“His term and tenure of office and duties, and particulars of his election not inconsistent with the preceding provisions, shall be prescribed by the Canons of the General Convention.”
Amend Article I., Section 4, fourth paragraph, the last sentence so that the same shall read as follows:

"In all cases of a vote by Orders, the two Orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical and one vote in the Lay Order, and each Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States of America having a one-fourth vote in the Clerical Order and a one-fourth vote in the Lay Order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two Orders shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House. No action of either Order shall pass in the affirmative unless it receives the majority of all votes cast, and unless the sum of all the affirmative votes shall exceed the sum of other votes by at least one whole vote."

Amend the second and third sentences of Article X. of the Constitution to read:

"No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one Triennial meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese and of the Convocation of every Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States of America, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention or Missionary District Convocation at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding Triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies and all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States, voting by Orders, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical Order and one vote in the Lay Order, and each Missionary District having a one-fourth vote in the Clerical Order and a one-fourth vote in the Lay Order. Provided, however, that the General Convention at any meeting shall have power to amend the Table of Lessons and all Tables and Rubrics relating to the use of the Psalms by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, and all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States, voting by Orders as previously laid down in this Article."

CHAUNCEY B. BREWSTER,
WILLIAM T. MANNING,
On behalf of the House of Bishops.

HERBERT H. POWELL,
W. S. BROWNE,
On behalf of the House of Deputies.

APPENDIX XXIV.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO CERTIFY CHANGES IN THE CANONS

The Joint Committee of the two Houses of the General Convention appointed to certify the changes in the Canons made by the General Convention of 1928, as provided in Canon 63, Section II., hereby certifies that the following changes were made in the Canons by the said General Convention:

Amend Canon 5 by adding a new Section VII:
Section VII. In case of a Deacon desiring to be transferred from one Diocese to another, the Ecclesiastical Authority of the former Diocese must state in the Letter Dimissory the exact standing of the Deacon as regards Examinations passed or Dispensations received; also the dates of his birth, admission as a candidate and ordination.

Amend Canon 14 by inserting in Section II. a new clause [ii.]:

Section II. [ii.]. When a vacancy shall occur in the Episcopate in any Missionary District within a Province, the President of the Province may convene the Synod of the Province prior to the meeting of the House of Bishops of the Church at which a Missionary Bishop for such Missionary District is to be elected. The Synod of the Province may thereupon nominate one person to the House of Bishops of the Church for that office. It shall be the duty of the President of the Province to transmit such nomination, if any be made, to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, who shall three weeks before the meeting of the House of Bishops communicate the same to the Bishops along with other nominations that have been made in accordance with the Rules of Order of the House. Each Province containing a Missionary District shall, by ordinance, provide the manner of convening the Synod and making such nomination. The foregoing provision for nomination by the Synod of the Province, shall not apply in the case of the election of Missionary Bishops for Districts in Alaska, the Canal Zone, or in any other region outside the continental boundaries of the United States, notwithstanding such Districts may be included in Provinces.

Amend Canon 17 by introducing a new section to be numbered Section I.:

Section I. Before a Presiding Bishop is elected a Joint Nominating Committee consisting of eight Bishops (one from each Province), together with four Clerical and four Lay members, of the House of Deputies (one member from each province) shall present to the House of Bishops the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop.

The remaining sections of the Canon to be renumbered accordingly.

Amend Canon 18, Section VII. [v.] so that it shall read:

[v.] In case of the acceptance of the resignation of a Missionary Bishop for cause of age or disability, he shall receive from the National Council a retiring allowance not less than one-half of his salary at the date of retirement.

And by inserting a new [viii.]:

[viii.] A Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction with the consent of the House of Bishops, may, at the discretion of the Bishop of the Diocese (or Missionary District) in which he chooses to reside, be enrolled among the clergy of that Diocese (or Missionary District), being transferred thereto from his former Diocese, and becoming subject to its Canons and regulations; and if he accept any pastoral charge or ministerial appointment within the Diocese (or Missionary District) he may be accorded a seat and vote in the Diocesan Convention (or Convocation) according to its canonical provisions for the qualification of Presbyters. The same shall apply to a resigned Bishop who continues to reside within the jurisdiction in which he formerly served as Bishop: Provided, that the Bishop seeking to be counted among the clergy of a Diocese and to sit in its Diocesan Convention is not at the same time exercising his right (under Article I., Section 2) to vote in the House of Bishops.
Amend Canon 24, Section I. by changing the last sentence to read: “A Deaconess who marries shall not continue to exercise her office.”

Amend Canon 36, Section I., line 21, by inserting after the words “deprived of” the words “the right to exercise.”

Amend Canon 39, by adding a new Section II.

Section II. Whenever a Minister of this Church shall have been absent from the Diocese or Missionary District for a period of more than two years, and has failed to make the annual report, so that his whereabouts are unknown, the Bishop may send the name of such Minister to the Presiding Bishop of the Church, who shall keep a list of such Ministers; but upon application of either the Bishop or the Minister himself, he shall be placed again upon the Diocesan list.

While the Minister’s name remains upon the list of the Presiding Bishop, he shall not be considered as canonically connected with the Diocese.

Amend Canon 46, Section I., so as to read:

Section I. The copy 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, the Form of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, and an Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, accepted by the General Convention of this Church, in the Year of our Lord, 1928, and authenticated by the signatures of the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of General Convention, is hereby declared to be the Standard Book of Common Prayer of the Church.

Amend Canon 51, Section VI., by inserting in the sixth line thereof, before the word “five,” the words “not more than”; and by adding at the end of the ninth line of such section the words: “The amount of such assessment shall be determined by the Committee on Expenses.”

Also, by adding a new Section X.: Section X. The Treasurer may appoint, subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, an Assistant Treasurer, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Treasurer and shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him by the Treasurer.

He shall give a bond conditioned on the faithful performance of his duties. The amount thereof and the terms on which the same shall be given shall be subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, the expense of such bond to be paid by the General Convention.

Amend Canon 54, Section VIII., so as to read:

Section VIII. The Provincial synod shall have power: (1) to enact Ordinances for its own regulation and government; (2) to elect judges of the Provincial Court of Reviews; (3) to perform such duties as may be committed to it by General Convention; (4) to deal with all matters within the Province; Provided, however, that no Provincial Synod shall have power to regulate or control the internal policy or affairs of any constituent Diocese or Missionary District; and Provided, further, that all actions and proceedings of the Synod shall be subject to and in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution and the Canons for the government of this Church; (5) to adopt a budget for the maintenance of any Provincial work undertaken by the Synod, such budget to be raised in such manner as the Synod may determine; (6) to create by
Ordinance a Provincial Council with power to administer and carry on such work as may be committed to it by the General Convention, or by the Presiding Bishop and the National Council, or by the Synod of the Province.

Also, by adding a new Section IX.:

Section IX. The Synod of a Province may take over from the National Council, with its consent, and during its pleasure, the administration of any given work within the Province. If the Province shall provide the funds for such work, the constituent Dioceses and Missionary Districts shall receive proportional credit therefor upon the quotas assigned to them for the support of the Program of the Church, provided that the total amount of such credits shall not exceed the sum appropriated in the budget of the National Council for the maintenance of the work so taken over.

Renumber Section IX. to become Section X.

Amend Canon 61, Section VIII. [i.] to read as follows:

[i.] The Council shall submit to the General Convention at each regular session thereof a program of its proposed activities for the triennium, including a detailed budget of that part of the program for which it proposes to make appropriation for the ensuing year, and estimated budgets for the two succeeding years. In connection with the preparation of such budget the National Council shall, at least fifteen months before the session of the General Convention, transmit to the President of each Province a statement of its existing appropriations for the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within such Province, showing the items for which such appropriations are expended, for the purpose of obtaining the advice of the Province as to changes therein. The Synod, or Council, of each Province shall thereupon, in such manner as the Synod shall determine, consider such budget and report its findings to the National Council for its information. The National Council shall also submit to the General Convention with the budget a plan for the apportionment to the respective Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the sum needed to execute the program.

Insert a new Clause [ii.]:

[ii.] There shall be joint sessions of the two Houses for the presentation of such program; and thereafter consideration shall be given and appropriate action taken thereon by the General Convention. The National Council shall have the power to expend all sums of money covered by the Budget and estimated budgets approved by the Convention. It shall also have power to undertake such other work provided for in the program approved by General Convention, or other work under the jurisdiction of the National Council, the need for which may have arisen after the action of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the National Council its income will warrant.

Renumber Clause [ii.] to be Clause [iii.].

Renumber Clause [iii.] to be Clause [iv.].

October 25, 1928.
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RULES OF ORDER—HOUSE OF BISHOPS
AS AMENDED, 1928

FIRST DAY OF THE SESSION

1. The House shall meet for business at such time and place as shall have been duly notified by the Presiding Bishop or the Chairman of the House to the members of this House, and shall be called to order by the Presiding Bishop or the Chairman, or, in their absence, by the Senior Bishop present.

2. Any Bishop appearing in the House of Bishops for the first time after his consecration shall then be presented to the President by one or more Bishops, and, if such be present, by one or more Bishops who took part in his consecration.

3. The roll of members shall be called by the Secretary or the Assistant Secretary of the session of the House last preceding, or, in their absence, by a Secretary appointed pro tempore.

4. If any member or members of the House shall have died since its last meeting, the Presiding Bishop shall then announce, without word or comment, the fact and the date of such death, after which he shall say the Lord's Prayer, together with the following Prayer and Collects:

We bless thy holy Name for all thy servants, who, having finished their course in faith, do now rest from their labors. And we yield unto thee most high praise and hearty thanks for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all thy saints who have been the choice vessels of thy grace, and the lights of the world in their several generations: most humbly beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow the example of their steadfastness in thy faith, and obedience to thy holy commandments, that at the day of the general Resurrection, we, with all those who are of the mystical body of thy Son, may be set on his right hand, and hear that his most joyful voice: Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

The Collect for All Saints' Day.
The Collect in the Visitation Office: "O God, whose days," etc.
"The grace of our Lord," etc.

5. The House shall then proceed to elect a Secretary. If but one candidate be nominated, the election shall be viva voce; if more than one, by ballot.

6. With the approbation of the Presiding Officer, the Secretary may, at any period of the session, appoint an Assistant Secretary.

7. a. The House shall then proceed to elect, in all cases by ballot, a Vice-Chairman of the House, who in the absence of the Presiding Bishop, or at his request, shall be the presiding officer of the House. He shall continue in office until the Triennial General Convention following that in which he was elected. A Bishop who has served as Vice-Chairman for three years may be elected for a second time; but such Bishop shall not be eligible for subsequent re-election, except after an interval of at least three years.

b. At each General Convention the Presiding Bishop may nominate a Bishop to be his Assessor, subject to confirmation by the House of Bishops. The Presiding Bishop may assign to him any duties connected
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with his office (other than the Vice-Chairmanship of the House), from which from time to time he may desire to be relieved.

c. In case of a vacancy in the office of Assessor, or of his disability, the Presiding Bishop may appoint an Assessor to act until the next meeting of the House of Bishops.

d. Officers of the House of Bishops, when addressing the House in debate, shall in all cases do so from the floor of the House.

8. As soon as the House of Bishops shall have been organized by the election of its Secretary and Chairman, it shall be the duty of the Presiding Officer to instruct the Secretary to communicate to the House of Deputies the fact of its organization, and that it is ready to proceed to business.

DAILY ORDERS

I. When the Presiding Officer shall have taken the chair, new members may be introduced, as on the first day. The roll shall then be called, after which the House shall be bidden to prayer; but after the third day of the session the roll shall not be called unless by order of the House. The minutes of the last meeting shall then be read by the Secretary and acted upon by the House.

II. On the second day of the session, after Prayers, the Presiding Bishop shall lay before the House a statement of his official acts during the recess of the General Convention.

III. On the days when the Bishops are expected to meet with the Deputies and others in Joint Session during any part of the forenoon, the first business shall be the consideration of such matters as the Committee on the Despatch of Business shall report as urgently demanding attention. After that shall follow consideration of Messages from the House of Deputies not disposed of, and a call for reports from Standing Committees; then may follow any other business for which time shall remain. If the Joint Session shall adjourn before the customary hour for adjournment of the House of Bishops, the House shall resume its sitting. Any part of this rule may be suspended by a majority vote.

IV. The business of the House shall be disposed of in the order following:

a. Communications from the Presiding Bishop.
b. Report of Committee on Despatch of Business.
c. Petitions and Memorials.
d. Messages from the House of Deputies not yet disposed of.
e. Motions of reference.
f. Reports from other Standing Committees, in the order in which the Committees are named in the third General Rule.
g. Reports of Commissions.
h. Reports from Special Committees.
i. Miscellaneous Business.

V. The Secretary shall keep a Calendar of Business, on which reports from Committees, resolutions which lie over, and other matters undisposed of, indicating the subject of each item, shall be placed in the order in which they are presented, a printed copy of which Calendar shall be furnished to each member.

VI. The Order of the Day shall be taken up at the hour appointed, unless postponed by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to prepare and distribute each morning after the opening of the House, a Calendar of all Orders of the Day not yet discharged.
VII. Bishops invited to honorary seats may be introduced by the Presiding Officer whenever no other business occupies the House.

GENERAL RULES

I. As an indication of our humble dependence upon the Word and Spirit of God, and following the example of Primitive Councils, a copy of the Holy Scriptures shall always be reverently placed in view at the meetings of this House.

II. There shall be added to other Religious Services of this House the administration of the Holy Communion once in every week.

III. Committees shall be appointed by the Presiding Officer of the House, unless otherwise ordered. The Bishop first named on a Committee shall act as its convener, and each Committee at its first meeting shall elect its own Chairman. Whenever an appointment to any place or position is made by direct action of the House, such appointment shall be by ballot.

The Standing Committees, to be announced not later than the third day of the session, shall be as follows:

1. On Despatch on Business.
2. On Rules of Order, of which the Presiding Bishop shall be a member ex-officio.
3. On Nomination of Missionary Bishops.
4. On Amendments to the Constitution.
5. On Canons.
7. On Domestic Missions.
8. On Foreign Missions.
11. On Christian Education.
12. On Social Service.
14. On the Admission of New Dioceses.
17. On Unfinished Business.

Each of these Committees shall consist of not more than seven nor less than three members, at the discretion of the Presiding Officer of the House, except that the Committee on Canons shall consist of nine members.

IV. No memorial, petition, or address shall come before this House unless presented by the Presiding Officer of the House, or some other Bishop present.

V. Nothing other than reports and other documents printed for the use and by the order of the House, except the private correspondence of its members, shall be distributed in the House without having first been entrusted to the Secretary, and submitted to the approval of the Presiding Officer.

VI. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be considered as before the House until seconded.

VII. Members in discussion shall address the Chair, and shall confine themselves to the point in debate. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

VIII. Every member present shall, on a division, be counted, unless personally interested in the question to be decided. When, in taking a
question, the Presiding Officer's vote produces a tie, the motion shall be considered as lost.

IX. When it is proposed to give consent to the consecration or confirmation of a Bishop elect or of a Bishop Coadjutor elect or of a Suffering Bishop elect, it shall be competent for any three members of the House to call for a vote by ballot.

X. The ayes and nays may be required by any three members, and shall in such cases be entered on the Journal.

XI. When a question is under consideration, no motion shall be received unless to lay it upon the table, to postpone it to a certain time, to postpone it indefinitely, to commit it, to amend it, or to divide it; and motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order therein named. Motions to lay upon the table and to adjourn shall be decided without debate. A motion to adjourn shall always be in order.

XII. On motion duly put and carried, the House may resolve itself into a Committee of the Whole, when a Chairman of the same shall be elected. The junior Bishop present shall act as Clerk of the Committee, and make a record of its action.

XIII. On motion duly put and carried, the House may go into executive session at which only members of the House shall be present. The same provision for executive session shall extend to the House when resolved into a Committee of the Whole.

XIV. Reports of Committees shall be in writing, and shall be received of course. Reports recommending or requiring any action or expression of opinion by the House shall be accompanied by specific resolutions.

XV. Reports of Committees appointed to sit during the recess, if not acted upon at once, shall, when presented, be made the Order of the Day for a time fixed.

XVI. All questions of order shall be decided by the Chair without debate, but appeal may be taken from such decision. On such appeal no member shall speak more than once without express leave of the House.

XVII. Amendments shall be considered in the order in which they are moved. When a proposed amendment is under consideration, a motion to amend the same may be made. No after-amendment to such second amendment shall be in order, but a substitute for the whole matter may be received. No proposition on a subject differing from the one under consideration shall be received under color of a substitute.

XVIII. A question being once determined shall stand as the judgment of the House, and shall not be again drawn into debate during the same session of the Convention except with the consent of two-thirds of the House. A motion to reconsider can be made only on the day the vote was taken, or on the next succeeding legislative day; and must be made and seconded by those who voted with the majority.

XIX. Except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, no new business shall be introduced for the consideration of the House after the twelfth day of the Session, and for the purpose of this rule all days shall be counted excepting Sunday.

XX. All resolutions which are to be communicated to the House of Deputies, unless they contain information of action incomplete in this House, or be temporarily withheld by order of this House at the time of their passage, shall be transmitted to the House of Deputies as soon
as conveniently may be, under the direction of the Presiding Officer of the House.

XXI. Committees from the House of Deputies shall be admitted immediately. Messages from the House of Deputies shall be handed by the Secretary of this House to the Presiding Officer, to be laid before the House as early as may be convenient. All such messages communicating any legislative action on the part of the House of Deputies shall, without debate, be referred to the proper Committee, unless without debate the House shall decide to consider such message without such reference. When the consideration of such message shall have been begun, it shall continue to be the Order of the Day until final action thereon. The final action of this House upon any message from the House of Deputies shall be by vote upon the question.—"Shall this House concur in the action of the House of Deputies as communicated in their Message No. ?"

XXII. Two of the Bishops shall be appointed by the Presiding Officer to act with the Secretary in preparing daily reports of the action of this House, and furnishing them, at their discretion, to public journalists.

XXIII. It shall be competent for the House of Bishops to convene as, or being convened to resolve itself into, a Council of Bishops, at which only members of the House of Bishops and elected officers of the Council shall be present. Should neither the Presiding Bishop nor the Vice-Chairman of the House act as the presiding officer of the Council, such officer shall be elected pro tempore. One of the members of the Council, chosen for that purpose, shall act as Clerk.

XXIV. The body known as the Bishops in Council, as an assemblage of Catholic Bishops, and considering and acting upon matters of duty or responsibility resting on them as a portion of the universal Episcopate, may be convened at any time, suitable notice being given by the Presiding Bishop or the Vice-Chairman of the House of Bishops.

Words spoken by any one in Council shall be held by all as strictly confidential, and no proceedings shall be made known to others than Bishops, save by order of the Council.

XXV. The body known as the Bishops in Council, when considering matters which are subject to the authority of the House of Bishops in its constitutional and canonical capacity, shall be guided by the following rules:
1. Such meetings shall be for mutual counsel and consideration only.
2. In such meetings no resolutions shall be adopted except to adjourn, to rise, to report to the House of Bishops, to recommend to the House of Bishops, to take orders for the giving out of information, or to commit; Provided, that no Committee or Commission of the Council shall be clothed with any power beyond the promotion of considerations, the preparation of reports, or the furthering of recommendations, to be submitted by the Council to the House of Bishops for action of the latter.

XXVI. Bishops admitted to honorary seats shall be conducted to the seats assigned to them by the Bishops who introduced them, and, except when privileged business is before the House, or when this House resolves itself into a Council of Bishops, shall at all times be entitled to be present.

XXVII. In the event of calling a special meeting of the House of Bishops, notice shall be issued for the same and delivered or posted at least forty-five days before the first day of the proposed meeting. A
request shall accompany the notice, that an answer be returned as early as convenient from each Bishop, stating whether he will be able to attend or no. In the event of the failure to obtain a favorable reply from a sufficient number of the Bishops to constitute a majority of the whole House, notice of such failure shall be sent to each of the Bishops at least twelve days before the first day of the proposed session, and the call for such meeting shall be held as satisfied and of no further effect.

XXVIII. At every special meeting of the House of Bishops, there shall be a daily celebration of the Holy Communion at such time and place as the Presiding Bishop or Vice-Chairman of the House shall appoint; or on a day when a Missionary Bishop is to be chosen, at such time and place as the House shall appoint.* On the first day there shall be a brief Meditation by a Bishop previously appointed by the Presiding Bishop; and the Memorial mention (see Rule No. 4) concluding with the Collect "O God, whose days," etc., shall be made immediately before the Prayer for the whole state of Christ's Church.

At any special meeting the Secretary shall present and read the official call for such meeting and incorporate such call in the minutes.

The Order of Business for the first day shall be:
1. Call to Order.
2. The Reading of the Call for the Special Meeting.
3. Prayer.
4. The Roll of the House,
   (a) Certified.
   (b) Called.
5. Presentation of New Members.
6. Communications from the Presiding Officer.
7. The Special Business of the Meeting.
8. Reports of Special Committees.
9. Reading of the Minutes.
10. Adjournment.

XXIX. When any vacancy in the missionary episcopate is to be considered or filled at any special meeting of the House, notice to this effect shall be given in the call of such meeting, together with an invitation to the Bishops to send to the Secretary of the House any names of persons suggested for the vacancy. In such case, three weeks before the special meeting, the Secretary shall notify confidentially each Bishop of the names so suggested. The ballot for the choice of any such vacancy shall not, without unanimous consent, be taken at a special meeting until at least the first day, nor at a meeting of the General Convention until at least the second day, after such names and any others which may be offered shall have been presented in the House; and it is recommended that the administration of the Holy Communion precede the ballot.

XXX. Further proceedings for the election of a Missionary Bishop shall be as follows:
1. The roll of the House being called in reverse order, the Bishops may make formal nominations.
2. The Bishops making nominations shall give to the Committee on Nominations full information regarding the nominees, and the Committee on Nominations, having secured such further information as may be possible, shall report to the House, in Executive Session (Standing Order VII.). Questions may be asked and other information given by the Bishops, but no nominating speeches shall be made.

* See Collect, Epistle and Gospel on pages 11 and 12.
3. The election shall, if possible, be held in the Church after the Holy Communion, and, if possible, be completed before other business is taken up.

4. In case of a declination, or of another vacancy, another election can be held from the same names without further formality than renomination; but if new names are introduced, the order prescribed above shall be repeated.

5. All proceedings in executive session shall be held strictly confidential. In the case of elections held in executive session and to be confirmed by the House of Deputies or by the Standing Committees of the Church the names of those elected shall not be made known until they are published by the House of Deputies, or until they are ordered to be sent to the Standing Committees.

XXXI. The House shall be bidden to prayer for Missions at noon of each day of the session.

XXXII. There shall be constituted an Advisory Committee of eight Bishops, one to be chosen by the Bishops of each Province, with which Committee the Presiding Bishop may counsel upon questions arising between the meetings of the House of Bishops.

XXXIII. This House at each General Convention shall elect a Committee of three Bishops, who shall sit in the interim between Conventions and prepare a Pastoral Letter for the General Convention following their appointment.

XXXIV. Additions and amendments to, or suspension or repeal of, these rules shall require a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

XXXV. These rules shall be in force in subsequent sessions of this House until otherwise ordered.

STANDING ORDERS

I. WHEREAS, By provisions of Canon 13, Section I. [ii.], [iii.], and Canon 14, Section II. [iii.], the Presiding Bishop of the House is empowered to take order for the ordination and consecration of Diocesan and Missionary Bishops, either in his own person or by commission issued to three Bishops:

It is hereby ordered that, in all cases of Episcopal consecrations, the place for the same, if not in the Diocese or Jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop or of the Bishop appointed by him to preside at the solemnity, shall be designated only with the consent of the Bishop in whose Diocese or Jurisdiction it is; that the Bishop elect shall have the right to designate the preacher and the two Bishops by whom he is to be presented; and that, in the absence of the Presiding Bishop, the Senior Bishop of this Church present at any consecration of a Bishop is the Bishop presiding for that solemnity, unless some other Bishop shall have been assigned to such service on any special occasion by the Presiding Bishop or by the Bishops present at the consecration.

II. Seniority among the Bishops is according to the time of the Consecration of each Bishop.

III. The opening service of the General Convention and the selection of the preacher shall be in charge of the Presiding Bishop, the Vice-Chairman of the House of Bishops, and the Bishop of the Diocese wherein the Convention is to be held.

IV. The House of Bishops shall assemble on every morning during the period of the General Convention, except the Lord's Day, for business, unless adjournment beyond that morning has been ordered by the vote of the House.
V. The daily session of this House shall be closed with the Benediction, pronounced by the Bishop presiding.

VI. Two or more of the Bishops shall be appointed at each General Convention to take charge, together with the Secretary of the House of Bishops, of the Journal of its proceedings, and to see that the whole, or such parts of it as the House may direct, be entered in its proper place in the Journal of the General Convention.

VII. The Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops shall receive any information touching anyone who has been nominated for election as Missionary Bishop, and especially any information concerning the intellectual, moral, and physical qualifications of the person nominated, with dates of birth and graduation, and specific statements as to theological attainments, proficiency in languages, ancient and modern, and as to any specialty in sacred duties to which he may have devoted himself.

VIII. The Secretary of the House of Bishops shall keep, in a suitable book to be provided for the purpose, a Record of the members and officers of the House from the beginning, and shall record therein the names of the Bishops who are or have been members of this House, the date and place of their consecration, the names of their consecrators, together with the date of the termination, by death, resignation, or otherwise, of the membership of such Bishops as have ceased to have seats in this House, all of which facts shall be recorded only upon official information, for which it shall be the duty of the Secretary to call upon such persons as may be competent to furnish the same. The said book of record shall be the official Register of this House, and the roll of the House made up therefrom by the Secretary shall be by him certified to its Presiding Officer, who shall at each regular or special session of the House communicate the same to the House, as its official roll, as soon as he shall have taken the chair. Such roll shall be subject to change only by vote of the House.

IX. In making up the list of the Bishops who have retained their constituted rights to seats in this House, the Secretary is instructed to leave the name of any Bishop resigned in the place which he occupies in the order of his consecration, with the addition of the word "Bishop," which shall be considered as the sufficient official title of such resigned Bishop.

X. In the event of the loss by any Bishop of his seat in the House of Bishops, with the consequent omission of his name from the roll, and his return to the House, his name shall be entered on the roll at the place corresponding with the time of such return.

XI. It is the judgment of the House of Bishops that the Foreign Missionary Bishops of the Church should attend the sessions of the General Convention.

XII. It is the judgment of this House that a meeting of the House of Bishops be held each year at the call of the Presiding Bishop, except in the year when General Convention meets, for the purpose of considering such business as may come before it, and also for the purpose of conference.

**STANDING RESOLUTIONS**

Resolved, That Bishops of the Church (other than those specified in Article I, Section 2 of the Constitution), who have resigned their jurisdiction with the consent of the House of Bishops, are welcome to seats, without vote, at all sessions and meetings of the House of Bishops.
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RULES OF ORDER—HOUSE OF DEPUTIES

THE HOLY SCRIPTURES

As an indication of our humble dependence upon the Word and Spirit of God, and following the example of Primitive Councils, a copy of the Holy Scriptures shall always be reverently placed in view at the meetings of this House. This rule is to be carried into effect under the supervision of the President and Secretary of the House.

RULES IN FORCE

At the meetings of the House of Deputies the Rules and Orders of the previous meeting shall be in force until they are amended or repealed by the House. Canon 51, Section I., [vi.].

OPENING OF THE SESSION

1. The daily sessions of the House shall be opened with prayer.

THE PRESIDENT

2. The President having taken the Chair, the roll of members shall be called on the first day of the session, and whenever so ordered, without debate, by a majority on subsequent days. The Minutes shall then be read, though by like vote the reading may be omitted. In absence of roll call any member may advise the Secretary of his personal attendance on the Convention.

3. When the President shall be in the Chair, no member shall continue standing or shall afterwards stand up, except to address the President, nor shall he address the House or make any motion until after recognition by the President.

4. While the President is putting any question, the members shall continue in their seats, and shall not hold any private discourse.

5. When any member is about to speak or to deliver any matter to the House, he shall, with due respect, address himself to the President, confining himself strictly to the point in debate.

6. When the House is about to rise, every member shall keep his seat until the President leaves the Chair. Before leaving the Chair, the President may make any communication to the House, or may cause any notice to be read by the Secretary.

COMMITTEES

7. All Committees shall be appointed by the President, unless otherwise ordered.

8. Not later than the fourth day of the Convention, the President shall appoint the following Standing Committees, to wit:

I. On the State of the Church (to consist of two Clerical Deputies and one Lay Deputy from each Province, two Deputies from the Foreign Missionary Districts and one Deputy from the Convocation of the American Churches in Europe).

II. On the General Theological Seminary.

III. On Missions.

IV. On the Admission of New Dioceses.
V. On the Consecration of Bishops.
VI. On Amendments to the Constitution.
VII. On Canons.
VIII. On Unfinished Business.
IX. On Elections.
X. On the Prayer Book.
XI. On Christian Education.
XII. On Social Service.
XIII. On Memorials of Deceased Members.
XIV. On Church Pension Fund.
      (Each to consist of thirteen members, and to have at least
one Deputy from each Province.)
XV. On Rules of Order (to consist of six members, of whom one
shall be the President of the House), to which Committee
shall be referred, without debate, all proposed amendments
to the Rules of Order.
XVI. On Expenses, to consist of thirteen members, together with
the Secretary of the House of Deputies and the Treasurer
of the General Convention ex officio but without the right
to vote.
XVII. On Rural Work, to consist of three Presbyters and three
Laymen, to which Committee shall be referred all matters
relating to the Rural Work of the Church.
XVIII. On Despatch of Business, to consist of four members.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

9. The Daily Order of Business shall be as follows:

I. Opening Prayer.
II. Reading of the Journal.
III. Communications from the President.
IV. Report of Committee on Despatch of Business.
V. Reports of the Standing Committees in the following order:
   1. On Elections.
   2. On Rules of Order.
   3. On Admission of New Dioceses.
   4. On the Consecration of Bishops.
   5. On Amendments to the Constitution.
   8. On the State of the Church.
  10. On Missions.
  12. On Christian Education.
  13. On Social Service.
  15. On Memorials of Deceased Members.
  17. On the Church Pension Fund.
  18. On Evangelism.

VI. Reports of Joint Committees, Joint Commissions, etc.
VII. Reports of Special Committees.
VIII. Petitions and Memorials.
IX. Motions and Resolutions.
X. Business on the Calendar.
10. The Secretary shall keep a Calendar of Business, on which shall be placed, in the order of their presentation, the subjects being briefly indicated, Orders of the Day, reports from Committees, resolutions which lie over, and other matters undisposed of. A printed copy of the Calendar shall be furnished to each member.

11. At twelve o'clock, after Prayer for Missions, unless there be an Order of the Day, or as soon thereafter as the Order of the Day shall be disposed of, the other business on the Calendar shall be taken up and be disposed of in the order in which it stands thereon.

A vote of two-thirds of the members present shall be required to take up any matter out of its order on the Calendar or to make any matter the Order of the Day for a particular time.

Motions and Their Order

12. No member shall address the President while any other member has the floor, except to present a parliamentary inquiry, a point of order, or a question of privilege touching the character of the House or of one or more of its members.

13. Except by leave of the House, no member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, nor longer than fifteen minutes at one time.

14. Before being considered, all propositions involving expense, except propositions to print, shall be referred to the Committee on Expenses.

15. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, and shall be presented to the Secretary, and by him shall be read to the House. Unless seconded, no motion shall be deemed to be before the House. The name of the mover of each resolution shall appear thereon and on the Minutes of the House.

16. If the question under debate contains several distinct propositions, at the request of any member the same shall be divided, and a separate vote shall be taken, but the motion to strike out and to insert shall be indivisible. When the voting is by Dioceses and Orders, the request for division must be made by the entire Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese.

17. When a question is under consideration no motion shall be received except (1) to lay it upon the table, (2) to take a vote thereon immediately or at a time certain, (3) to extend limits of debate, (4) to postpone to a time certain, (5) to commit or to recommit it, (6) to amend it, or (7) to postpone it indefinitely.

Motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named.

18. If a motion be carried to lay on the table an amendment or a substitute, the matter before the House shall be proceeded with as though such amendment or substitute had not been offered.

The following questions cannot be laid on the table, viz., the motion (1) to adjourn, (2) to lay on the table, (3) to take from the table, (4) to take a vote immediately or at a time certain, or any question as to (5) the Order of the Day, or (6) the priority of business.

Upon the arrival of the time when a vote is to be taken pursuant to a previous vote, the main question (including all amendments then pending) shall be put, and no debate shall then be in order nor any motion except that to adjourn.

The motion to adjourn shall always be in order, provided that the same shall not be offered when another member has the floor.
Amendments

19. When a motion is pending (1) a motion to amend, and (2) a motion to amend that amendment shall be in order; and it shall be in order, also (3) to offer a further amendment by way of substitute to which may be offered (4) one amendment. Neither the substitute nor its amendment shall be voted on (except to lay on the table) until the original matter is perfected. Either an amendment or a substitute may be withdrawn by the mover with the consent of his seconder before amendment thereof or before decision is had thereon.

No proposition not germane to the subject under consideration shall be received under color of an amendment or a substitute.

The amendment or the substitute shall be debatable only when the main question is debatable.

The adoption of an amendment by way of substitute or otherwise shall not displace the main resolution, which, after being so amended, shall be the question before the House.

The following questions cannot be amended, viz: (1) The call for the Order of the Day, (2) an appeal from the decision of the Chair, (3) an objection to consideration, or the motions (4) to adjourn, (5) to lay on the table, (6) to take from the table, (7) for leave to continue speaking, (8) to postpone indefinitely, (9) to reconsider, (10) to suspend rules, (11) to take up business out of order, or (12) for leave to withdraw a motion.

20. When a substitute is pending the motion to postpone indefinitely shall not be in order, but unless otherwise therein provided the motion, (1) to postpone to a certain time, (2) to commit or to re-commit, (3) to take a vote immediately or a certain time, or (4) to extend limits of debate shall cover both the substitute and the main question.

Non-Debatable Questions

21. There shall be no debate upon a motion (1) to refer to any Standing Committee a resolution then first offered to the House, and properly referable to such Committee; but the member offering such resolution may speak five minutes in explanation of its purpose. There shall be no debate on a motion (2) to re-commit to a Committee, but without instructions, any report of such Committee then before the House.

Neither shall there be any debate upon any of the following questions, viz: the motion, (3) to lay on the table, (4) to take from the table, (5) to take a vote immediately or at a time certain, (6) to adjourn unqualifiedly, (7) to extend limits of debate, (8) of an objection to consideration, (9) of precedence of motions, (10) of priority of business, (11) for a recess, (12) to permit a change of vote, or (13) to permit the withdrawal of a motion. Any member may speak not more than two minutes on the following motions, (14) to adjourn to a time certain, (15) to fix a time to adjourn to, (16) to postpone to a definite time, (17) to suspend rules, or (18) to take up a question out of order.

22. All questions of order shall be decided by the President, without debate; but any member may appeal from such decision, and on such appeal any member may speak, but not for more than two minutes, or more than once without express leave of the House.
23. Every resolution offered for the immediate action of the House shall be considered at once unless reference be requested, or objection be made as next provided.

If, before consideration of the resolution be begun reference thereof be requested by any member, such resolution shall be referred to the appropriate Standing Committee, or if, in the opinion of the President, there be no appropriate Standing Committee, then to a Special Committee of such number as shall be designated by the President.

If no reference be requested, but timely objection be made to immediate consideration, then, without any reference, the resolution shall lie over, and come up the next day as unfinished business.

But by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, the House may at once consider the resolution.

24. When memorials or petitions are presented, their contents shall be stated concisely by the Deputy presenting them, and they shall be referred, unless by a majority vote the memorial or petition shall be ordered to be read.

25. Reports of Committees appointed to sit during the recess, if not acted upon at once, when presented, shall be made the Order of the Day for a time fixed.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS

26. Messages from the House of Bishops shall be handed by the Secretary of this House to the President, to be laid before the House as early as may be convenient.

All such messages communicating any legislative action on the part of the House of Bishops shall be referred, without debate, to the proper Committee, unless without debate the House shall decide to consider such message without such reference. The question as to such immediate consideration of such message shall be submitted to the House as soon as the same shall be laid before it. The report of the Committee upon any message so referred shall be entitled to consideration as of the date and priority of the original receipt of such message.

When either without reference, or after reference and report the consideration of such message shall have begun, it shall continue to be the Order of the Day until final action thereon, and shall not be subject to any motion to postpone or to lay on the table.

The final action of the House upon any such message shall be by vote upon the question, "Shall this House concur in the action of the House of Bishops as communicated by their Message No. — 2?" If amendments have been adopted, then shall be added the further words, "as amended." Upon the submission of such question, all votes in the affirmative shall be counted in favor of such concurrence.

A Committee of Conference shall not be in order except in cases where the House of Bishops has concurred, with amendments, in action taken by this House.

VOTING

27. Unless excused by the House, every member who shall be in the House when any question is put must vote on a division.

Unless he have leave, or be unable to attend, no member shall absent himself from the service of the House.
The vote upon any question shall be taken by Dioceses and Orders whenever required by the Constitution or by Canon, or whenever required by the entire Clerical or Lay Representation from any Diocese, before the voting begins. Whenever a vote shall be taken by Dioceses and Orders (except in the case of elections), the vote of each Order in each Diocese shall be stated by one member in each Order as "Aye" or "No" or "Divided." If so desired by the entire Deputation from such Diocese, the vote of the individuals of that Deputation shall be stated and recorded. Such record shall be made also in respect of the individual members of every Deputation, if so ordered, without debate, by a majority of the House.

Whenever a vote shall be taken by Orders (except in the case of elections), the Secretary of the House of Deputies shall audibly announce the vote in each Order in each Diocese, before announcing the result to the House; and the vote of each Order in each Diocese so announced shall be corrected before, but not after, the final announcement of the vote of the House.

Any member absent from the House when a vote is taken but coming in before the final announcement of the vote on any question may vote thereon if then permitted by the House, but not otherwise.

The election of President or of Secretary of the House or of Treasurer of the General Convention shall be by individual secret ballot; though by unanimous consent, and direction of the House a single ballot may be cast by an officer of the House in its behalf.

Reconsideration

(a) A question once determined may be reconsidered by the vote of two-thirds of those present in the House when a motion for such reconsideration is duly made as hereinafter provided. Only one reconsideration of any matter shall be had.

(b) Except as so reconsidered every determination of such question shall stand as the judgment of the House. Neither such question nor any question of like import shall be drawn again into debate or presented for action again during the same Convention except with the consent of two-thirds of the members of the House present and voting upon the question of giving such consent.

31. In all questions decided numerically, the motion to reconsider must be made by one Deputy, and seconded by another, who voted in the majority; or, in case of equal division, by those who voted in the negative. In case of a vote by Orders, where there is a concurrence of both Orders, the motion shall be made by a majority of a Deputation from any Diocese of either Order voting in the majority; and, in case of a non-concurrence of Orders, the motion shall come from a majority of a Deputation from a Diocese of that Order which gave the majority in the negative.

In either case, a motion to reconsider may be seconded by a majority of any Deputation of either side, without regard to its previous vote.

All motions to reconsider shall be made and be seconded on the day the vote is taken, or on the next succeeding day on which the House shall be in session.

Reports of Committees

32. The reports of all Committees shall be in writing, and unless re-committed by a vote of the House shall be received of course, and without motion for acceptance. All reports recommending or requiring
any action or expression of opinion by the House shall be accompanied by a resolution for the action of the House thereon.

33. Reports from the Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members shall embody simply the name, Diocese, date of birth and death, and time of service in General Convention, of deceased members of the current or any preceding General Convention, of whom memorials shall not have theretofore been made; and after suitable devotions such reports shall be received by the House standing.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

34. Whenever so ordered by a vote of a majority of the members present, the House may go into Committee of the Whole for the consideration of any matter.

The President shall designate some member of the House to act as Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, which, when in session, shall be governed by these rules as adapted by the Chairman, subject to appeal to the Committee, and also to the following provisions:

(a) A motion to rise and to report to the House, with or without request for leave to sit again, may be made at any time, and shall take precedence of all other motions, and shall be decided without debate. No such motion once made shall be renewed until after further proceedings shall have been had in the Committee of the Whole.

(b) A motion that a vote upon any pending proposition shall be taken at some designated time may be made and be disposed of without debate at any time; but as before provided a motion to report to the House shall take precedence.

No motion to lay on the table shall be entertained.

35. No debate shall be allowed in the House of any motion to permit the Committee of the Whole to sit again. Requests for such permission shall take precedence of all other business, and the motion therefor shall be put to vote immediately without reference.

GENERAL REGULATIONS

36. Except by a vote of two-thirds of the members present no new business shall be introduced for the consideration of the House after the twelfth day of its session, and for the purposes of this rule all days shall be counted excepting Sundays.

37. When considering the election of a Bishop, the approval of his testimonials, or assent to his consecration, the House shall sit with closed doors.

38. No applause shall be permitted during any session of the House or of the Committee of the Whole.

39. Seats upon the platform shall be occupied by officers of the Convention or their representatives, by members of the House of Bishops, and such other persons as by special vote of the Convention shall be so authorized.

40. No one shall be admitted to the floor except members and officers of the House or of the General Convention, Presidents of Colleges recognized as Church Colleges by the Committee on Christian Education, Clergymen of the Church, and of other branches of the Church Catholic with which this Church is in Communion, Managers, Secretaries and Treasurers of the Board of Missions, Trustees, Professors and Students of the General and other Theological Seminaries of this Church, other students of Theology who are Candidates for Holy Orders
in this Church, former members of the House of Deputies; and the Clergy, Wardens and Vestrymen of a Church in which the House of Deputies may sit.

41. Except with the assent of three-fourths of the members present, the House shall not accept any invitation, or participate in any exercises, which shall involve suspension, interruption or abridgement of its regular appointed sessions.

42. Except when otherwise ordered by the House, no books, pamphlets, or other printed matter shall be distributed in the House, or be placed in the seats of the members, without the express permission of the President; but this prohibition shall not apply to the report of a Committee, or to any paper or other document presented to and accepted by the House or printed by its authority.

43. No rule shall be suspended without the assent of two-thirds of the members present.

44. By unanimous consent any action may be taken that is not in contravention of any provision of the Constitution or the Canons.

STANDING ORDERS

I. Previous to the meeting of each General Convention, the Secretary of the House of Deputies in the last Convention, under the direction of the Deputies from the Diocese in which the Convention is to be held, shall determine by lot the seats to be occupied by the Deputation from each Diocese and Missionary District. Missionary Districts shall be taken alphabetically in groups of four, and in the allotment each group shall be treated as one Diocese.

II. The names of Deputies who have not answered at the roll call, or who have not later signified their presence to the Secretary, shall be noted as absent in the List of members, as printed in the Journal.

III. Proper notice boards shall be provided by the Secretary to be placed near the Secretary's desk and in a prominent place in the lobby, upon which shall be posted notices of all the meetings of Committees or Commissions of the House.

IV. Prayer for Missions shall be the Standing Order at noon daily.

V. Resolutions calling for Joint Sessions of the two Houses shall provide that some opportunity for general debate be afforded at such Sessions.

JOINT RULES AS TO JOINT COMMITTEES

1. Joint Special Committees, having made their final report, are to be considered as having exhausted their functions, and can only be revived by the concurrent action of the two Houses.

2. It shall be the privilege of either House to refer to a Joint Committee any matter relating to the subject for which it was appointed; but neither House shall have the power, without the consent of the other, to instruct the Joint Committee as to any particular line of action.

Adopted by the House of Deputies on the twelfth day of the session, 1883. (See Journal, p. 223.)

Adopted by the House of Bishops on the seventeenth day of the session, 1883. (See Journal, p. 86.)

3. [i.] The Secretaries of both Houses shall, in the month of January in the years in which the General Convention regularly meets, remind
the members of the respective Houses who have appointments upon Joint Committees and Joint Commissions of such appointment and of their duty to present a report at the Convention in that year, which report shall be presented not later than the fifth day of the session.

[iii.] When, in the judgment of any Joint Committee or Joint Commission, it is deemed advisable that its report should be sent to the members of the General Convention prior to its meeting, such report shall be sent at least five weeks prior to said Convention to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, who shall print and distribute the same, as far as practicable, to all members of said Convention.

[iii.] No Joint Committee or Joint Commission shall be deemed to have performed the duty assigned to it, nor shall it be discharged until it shall have presented its final report.

[iii.] Vacancies in Joint Committees and Joint Commissions occurring during the recess between General Conventions shall be filled by the Chairman of the House of Bishops on the part of that House and by the President of the House of Deputies on the part of that House.

Adopted by the House of Deputies on the sixth day of the session, 1913 (Journal, p. 236). Concurred in by the House of Bishops by its Message No. 20 on the seventh day of the session, 1913 (Journal, p. 256).

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APPENDIX XXVII.

PARLIAMENTARY MANUAL FOR THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES

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I. CONSTITUTIONAL RULES.

1. Qualification of Deputies—Const. Art. I, Sec. 4
   (a) Presbyters must be canonically resident in their Dioceses.
   (b) Lay Deputies must be communicants, and must have (legal) domicile in their Dioceses.

2. Quorum of House—Const. Art. I, Sec. 4
   Requires that a majority of all the Dioceses be represented by at least one deputy in each Order.

3. Requisite Vote—The vote of a majority of deputies present is sufficient on any question. Const. Art. I, Sec. 4
   Except as follows—
   (a) In Voting by Orders, there must be concurrence by not less than a majority of the whole votes in each Order represented in that Order at the time of taking the vote. Const. Art. I, Sec. 4
   (b) On Final Adoption of changes in Prayer Book, etc. (Const. Art. X.) or of amendments to Constitution (Const. Art. XI.) a majority vote of all the Dioceses, in each Order, is requisite; and the vote must be taken by Dioceses and Orders.

4. Adjournments—Any number less than a quorum may adjourn the House from day to day. Neither of the Houses, without consent of the other, can adjourn for more than three days, nor to any place other than that where the Convention is sitting. Const. Art. I, Sec. 5
II. CANONICAL RULES.

1. Assembling of Convention—House to be called to order by the former Secretary or an Assistant Secretary, etc., etc., who shall declare whether a quorum present. Record of names filed with Secretary by Dioceses is prima facie evidence of persons entitled. Canon 51, Par. 1, Sec. 1

2. House organized by electing one of its members as President, and electing a Secretary. Elections to be by ballot and a majority of all votes cast is necessary to a choice. Canon 51, Par. 1, Sec. 1

3. On election of President and Secretary, a Committee to be appointed to wait on House of Bishops, inform them of the organization of the House and its readiness to proceed to business. Canon 51, Par. 1, Sec. 1

4. Rules of Order of previous House to be in force until amended or repealed. Canon 51, Par. 1, Sec. 1

5. Secretary of House and Treasurer of General Convention entitled to seats on floor, and with consent of President may speak on subjects of their respective offices. Canon 51, Par. 1, Sec. V.

6. Committee on Canons and Committee on Amendments to Constitution, at close of Convention must each appoint two members to certify changes, etc., in Canons and Constitution to Secretary to be printed in Journal. Canon 63, Par. II., III.

7. As to Election of Registrar, Historiographer and Recorder, see Canon 51, Par. III. [i., iv.], Par. IV. [i.]

III. GENERAL RULES.

1. Open with Prayer—Daily session of House must be opened with Prayer. Rule 1

2. Midday Prayer—Prayer for Missions, etc., must be held daily at noon. S. O. IV.

3. Unanimous Consent—Any action can be taken by, which is not in contravention of Constitution or Canons. Rule 44

4. Motions, Etc.—No Motion, etc., exists, unless maker was first duly recognized by Chair, and unless it has received a "Second." Rule 3, Rule 15

5. Interruption, Etc., of Sessions—House cannot accept Invitations or participate in Exercises involving Suspension, Interruption or Abridgement of its regular sessions, unless so ordered by three-fourths vote. Rule 41

6. New Business—No New Business can be offered after 12th day of session, excluding Sundays, unless permitted by two-thirds vote. Rule 36

7. Distribution of Printed Matter, etc., in House—Not allowed without express permission of President. Rule 42

Exceptions—
(a) When otherwise ordered by House.
(b) Reports of Committees.
(c) Papers, etc., presented to and accepted by House.
(d) Papers, etc., printed by authority of House.

8. Questions Involving Expense—All such, except propositions to print, must be referred to Committee on Expenses, before being considered. Rule 14
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9. Attendance and Voting—
   (a) Deputies must attend the sessions of the House unless excused, or unable to be present. Rule 27
   (b) Every deputy present in the House must vote on all questions, unless excused by House. Rule 27
   (c) Absentees coming in before final announcement of any vote may vote thereon, if then permitted by the House. Rule 29

10. Roll Call and Minutes—
   (a) Roll of members shall be called on first day of session. Not called on subsequent days unless ordered by majority vote. Rule 2
   (b) The minutes shall be read daily at opening of sessions; unless reading omitted by majority vote. Rule 9, Rule 2

11. House to Sit With Closed Doors—When considering the election of a Bishop, to approval of his testimonials, or assent to his consecration. Rule 37

IV. DECORUM AND DEBATE.

1. No Applause permitted in the House or in Committee of Whole. Rule 38
2. Must Address Chair—Members shall not rise except to address the President. Rule 3
3. Adjournment of Sessions—Members must keep seated until President leaves Chair. Rule 6
4. Members Must Not Interrupt a Speaker—
   Exceptions—
   (a) To present a Parliamentary inquiry to Chair. Rule 12
   (b) To present a Point of Order.
   (c) To present a Question of Privilege affecting character of House or of a member.
   (d) To request leave to ask a question of speaker.

5. General Debate—
   (a) Remarks must be confined to point in debate. Rule 5
   (b) No one can speak more than twice in same debate, nor more than fifteen minutes at one time, except by leave of House. Rule 13

V. COMMITTEES—ORDER OF BUSINESS, ETC.

1. All Committees to be appointed by President unless otherwise ordered. (Rule 7.) The Standing Committees are to be announced not later than the fourth day of convention. Rule 8
2. Regular Order of Daily Business. Rule 9
3. Calendar of Pending Business to be kept and printed by Secretary for use of members. Rule 10

VI. RESOLUTIONS, ETC.

1. Must be in Writing, Etc.—All resolutions must be in writing, and must bear the name of the mover. Rule 15
2. Resolutions Offered for Immediate Action—Shall be considered at once, unless Reference is requested or Objection made by any member. Rule 23
3. Memorials and Petitions—
   (a) Contents to be concisely stated by Deputy presenting them. Rule 24
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(b) Referred without reading; unless ordered read by majority vote. Rule 24

4. Reports of Committee Must Be in Writing, and when requiring action, must submit resolution therefor. Rule 32
   An adverse committee report upon any matter must first be disagreed to, on motion for that purpose, before the matter itself can be taken up and placed on its passage.

5. Reports of Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members shall embody simply the name, Diocese, date of birth and death and time of service in any General Convention of the deceased. To be received by the House standing, and suitable devotions to be made. Rule 33

6. Reports of Committees, Appointment to Sit During the Recess—If not acted on, when presented, shall be made special order for a time fixed. Rule 25

7. Rejected Matter—When a matter is once finally disposed of, neither such question, nor one of like import, shall again be presented or brought into debate during the same Convention except by consent of two-thirds of the members present and voting upon the question of giving such consent. Rule 30 (b)

VII. DIVISION OF QUESTION.

(a) If measure contains distinct propositions, vote shall be taken on each separately; on request of any member. Rule 16
(b) When the voting is by Dioceses and Orders, the request for division must be made by the entire Clerical or Lay representation from any Diocese. Rule 16
(c) The motion to strike out and insert, is not divisible. Rule 16

VIII. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE OF MOTIONS.

1. Motion to Permit Committee of Whole to Sit Again—
   (a) Has precedence of all other business. Rule 35
   (b) Not debatable, and vote must be taken immediately. Rule 35

2. Motion to Adjourn—
   (a) Always in order when floor not occupied. Rule 18
   (b) Not debatable, if unqualified. Rule 21
   (c) Not amendable. Rule 19 (1)
   (d) Cannot be laid on table. Rule 18
   (e) Not admissible in Committee of Whole.

3. Motion to Adjourn to Time Certain—
   (a) Always in order when floor not occupied. Rule 18
   (b) Is debatable as to the time. Debate is limited to two minutes to each speaker. Rule 21
   (c) Is amendable as to the time. Rule 18
   (d) Cannot be laid on table. Rule 18
   (e) Not admissible in Committee of Whole.

4. Motion to Lay on Table—
   (a) Not debatable. Rule 21
   (b) Not amendable. Rule 19 (1)
   (c) Cannot be laid on table. Rule 18
   (d) Not admissible in Committee of Whole. Rule 34 (b)
5. Motion to Take Vote Immediately, or at Time Certain—
   (a) Not debatable. Rule 21
   (b) Is amendable as to the time, if a time is specified. Rule 18
   (c) Cannot be laid on table. Rule 18
   (d) When applied to a Substitute, covers main question also; unless otherwise specified. Rule 20
   (e) At the time fixed for taking a vote, the main question and pending amendments shall be put without further debate; and no motion shall be in order except to adjourn. Rule 18

6. Motion to Extend Limits of Debate—
   (a) Not applicable to “Time” of individual speakers.
   (b) Not debatable.
   (c) Is amendable as to the time, if a time is specified.
   (d) May be laid on table.
   (e) When applied to a Substitute, covers main question also; unless otherwise specified. Rule 20

7. Motion to Postpone to a Time Certain—
   (a) Debate limited to two minutes to each speaker. Rule 21
   (b) Is amendable as to the time.
   (c) May be laid on table.
   (d) When applied to a Substitute, carries the main question with it; unless otherwise specified. Rule 20

8. Motion to Re-commit to any Committee, Etc.—
   (a) Not debatable, unless coupled with instructions. Rule 21
   (b) Is amendable as to the Committee, etc., to which to be sent.
   (c) May be laid on table.
   (d) When applied to a Substitute, carries the main question with it; unless otherwise specified. Rule 20

9. Motion to Amend or Substitute—
   (a) Amendments, etc., must be germane. Otherwise not in order. Rule 19
   (b) Amendments and Substitutes are debatable only when main question is. Rule 19
   (c) Right to amend extends only to amendment of an amendment, and to a Substitute and one amendment thereto. Rule 19
   (d) Amendments and Substitutes may be withdrawn by Maker, with consent of his seconder, before decision is had thereon. Rule 19
   (e) A Substitute and its Amendment may be laid on table, and cannot be otherwise voted on until original matter is perfected. Rule 19
   (f) If Amendment or Substitute is laid on the table the effect is the same as if it had not been offered. Rule 18
   (g) When Original Question and Substitute are both perfected, the vote comes first on the adoption of the Substitute, or Substitute as amended.
   (h) No action on an Amendment or Substitute changes the status of the original Question. The original resolution as so amended then remains the question before the House. Rule 19

10. Motion to Postpone Indefinitely—
    (a) Not in order to a Substitute. Rule 20
    (b) Opens up Main Question to debate on its merits.
    (c) Not amendable. Rule 19 (1)
    (d) May be laid on table.
IX. MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS, ETC., WHOSE ORDER OF PRECEDENCE IS NOT FIXED BY RULES.

1. Appeals from Decision of Chair—
   (a) Must be made at once, on the ruling objected to. Rule 19 (1)
   (b) Not amendable.
   (c) Debate limited to two minutes to each speaker. Can only speak once, except by express leave of House. Rule 22
   (d) May be laid on table.

2. Motion to Take From Table—
   (a) In order whenever House not otherwise engaged.
   (b) Not debatable.
   (c) Not amendable.
   (d) Cannot be laid on table.

3. Call for Order of the Day—
   (a) Not amendable. Rule 19 (1)
   (b) No question as to the Order of the Day can be laid on the table. Rule 18

4. All Questions of Precedence of Motions, or Priority of Business—
   (a) Not debatable. Rule 21
   (b) To be decided by Chair. Rule 22
   (c) Questions as to priority of business cannot be laid on table. Rule 18

5. Motion to refer to a Standing Committee, Etc.—
   (a) Not debatable; except that five minutes allowed mover to explain. Rule 21
   (b) Is amendable as to the committee.

6. Motion for Leave to Continue Speaking—
   (a) Not amendable. Rule 19
   (b) Involves suspension of Rule 13; ergo requires two-thirds vote. Rule 43

7. Objection to Consideration, Etc.—
   (a) Not in order as to matters coming regularly on Calendar nor as to Order of Day.
   (b) Not debatable.
   (c) Not amendable. Rule 19
   (d) Cannot be laid on table, as it involves question of priority of business. Rule 18
   (e) A Resolution, to be Considered over an Objection, requires two-thirds vote. Otherwise lies over and comes up next day as unfinished business. Rule 23

8. Request for Reference, Etc.—
   (a) If made by any member, before consideration of matter begins, it will be referred, as of course, to proper Standing Committee.
   (b) If no appropriate Standing Committee exists, then to a Special Committee to be designated by President. Rule 23

9. Motion to Reconsider—
   (a) Not amendable. Rule 19
   (b) Requires a two-thirds vote; and can be had only once. Rule 30
(c) Must be made on the day the vote on the main question was taken; or on the next succeeding day the House is in session.  

(d) Must be made and seconded by persons who voted in the majority on the main question; or in the negative in case of equal division.  

(e) In Voting by Orders, if there was concurrence of orders; the motion must be made by the majority of a deputation of either Order, which voted in the majority.  

(f) In Voting by Orders, if there was non-concurrence of Orders; the motion must be made by the majority of a deputation of the Order which gave a majority in the negative.  

(g) In Voting by Orders, the motion may be seconded by the majority of any deputation, without regard to its previous vote.  

(h) The effect of a motion to reconsider, if carried, is to restore the matter reconsidered to its status prior to the original vote upon it.  

10. Motion to Make Special Order of Day for a Particular Time—  
(a) Is amendable as to the time.  
(b) Not debatable, as it involves questions of priority of business.  
(c) Cannot be laid on table, for same reason.  
(d) Requires two-thirds vote.  

11. Motion to Take Up Business Out of Its Order—  
(a) Not amendable.  
(b) Debate limited to two minutes to each speaker.  
(c) Requires two-thirds vote.  

12. Motion to Suspend Rules—  
(a) Not amendable.  
(b) Debate limited to two minutes to each speaker.  
(c) Requires two-thirds vote.  

13. Motion for Recess—  
(a) Not debatable.  
(b) Is amendable as to the time, if a time is specified.  

14) Motion for Leave to Withdraw a Motion, or Permit Change of Vote—  
(a) Not debatable.  
(b) Not amendable.  

X. VOTING BY DIOCESES AND ORDERS. WHEN?  
1. Whenever Required by Constitution or Canons, (viz)  
(a) Amendments of Table of Lessons, at any meeting of General Convention. Const. Art. X.  
(b) In final action on any Alterations or Additions to Prayer Book, at next triennial meeting of General Convention after action had at former meeting submitting same to the several Dioceses. Const. Art. X.  
(c) In similar final action on Amendments to Constitution. Const. Art. XI.  
2. Whenever Called for by Entire Clerical or Lay Deputation of any Diocese, Before Voting Begins. Rule 28
(a) When demanded by an entire Deputation, the individual votes shall be stated and recorded. Rule 28
(b) Such record is also to be taken when ordered by House, on motion without debate. Rule 28
3. The Vote of Each Order Shall Be Announced by One Member of each as "Aye" or "No" or "Divided." Rule 28
4. Vote by Either Order may be Corrected Before, but not After, Final Announcement of Vote of House. Rule 29

XI. ELECTION OF OFFICERS.
1. To be had by Individual Secret Ballot, even when Vote by Orders is Called for and Had. Rule 29
2. But Ballot of House May be Cast by an Officer, by Unanimous Consent or by Order of House. Rule 29
3. Above Provisions Include Elections of President or Secretary of House, or Treasurer of General Convention. Rule 29

XII. COMMITTEE OF WHOLE.
1. Governed by Rules of House, as far as applicable. Rule 34
2. No Motion to Lay on Table can be Entertained. Rule 34 (b)
3. Order of Motions—
   (a) Motion to Rise and Report to House; with or without "leave" to sit again.
      (1) May be made at any time. Rule 34 (a)
      (2) Has precedence over all other motions. Rule 34 (a)
      (3) Not debatable. Rule 34 (a)
      (4) Cannot be renewed until after further action is had in Committee. Rule 34 (a)
   (b) Motion to Take Vote at Time Certain—
      (1) May be made at any time. Rule 34 (b)
      (2) Not debatable. Rule 34 (b)

XIII. JOINT COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS.
1. House can Refer Matters to, but cannot give Instructions—
   Except through joint resolution concurred in by House of Bishops. Joint Rule 2
2. Cannot be Discharged Until They have Presented Final Report. Joint Rule 3 (III.)
3. Art Functus Officio When Their Final Report Has Been Made. Joint Rule 1
   Can only be revived by concurrent action of the two Houses.
4. Reports of; must be presented not later than fifth day of the Convention. Joint Rule 3 (1)
5. Vacancies in, as to Deputies, during recess between Conventions are filled by President of House. Joint Rule 3 (IV.)

XIV. MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS.
1. Messages Communicating Legislative Action Taken— Rule 26
   (a) Shall be referred to proper Committee, without debate, unless otherwise ordered by House without debate.
   (b) Question as to its Immediate Consideration, to be submitted to House with the Message.
(c) Report of Committee on Message referred to it, ranks as of date and priority of original receipt of message.

(a) When consideration of Message once begins, it becomes Special and Continuing order until finally disposed of.
(b) No motion to Postpone or Lay on Table is then in order.

3. Votes on Message—
(a) If no amendments made by House; Vote is only on Motion to Concur.
(b) If Amendments are made by House; Vote is only on Motion to Concur in Message as Amended.
(c) Affirmative votes to be counted as in favor of concurrence.

4. Note—Practice as to Messages from the House of Bishops—Under Rule 26 a distinction is to be observed between the status of a House of Bishops Message before its consideration on the merits is actually begun and its status after it is placed before the House for its actual passage.

When a House of Bishops Message first reaches the House of Deputies it does not have immediate right of way over all other pending business, but is held by the President "to be laid before the House as early as may be convenient."

When the Message is first laid before the House, the question of its immediate consideration is submitted, but the House is not required to give it immediate consideration, and it has not been the practice to do so with any Messages calling for legislative action. As to such Messages the Rule itself provides for reference to the proper Committee, and it requires a motion to prevent this.

When so referred and even when the Committee report is presented the status is the same as that of any other measure and Committee report pending before the House, and is open to all the same motions, dilatory or otherwise, to which any other measure is subject.

It is only when a House of Bishops Message has actually been presented to the House for passage and has begun to be considered on its merits that the third paragraph of Rule 26 applies. The Message then becomes the Order of the Day and is not subject to any motion to postpone or lay on the table, and its consideration must continue until final action is had upon it. This does not mean that the House must remain in session until final action is had, for a debate may continue several days. What it means is that the Message becomes the continuing Order of the Day and must be so handled.

XV. CONFERENCE COMMITTEES.
1. Motion for appointment of, or for reference of any matter to, is only in order when House of Bishops has amended a House measure. Rule 26

2. Message from House of Bishops requesting Conference stands on same footing with any other Message and is in order as to any measure from them which requires concurrent action and which has been amended by House of Deputies.

XVI. PRIVILEGES OF FLOOR, ETC.
Who entitled to? See Rules 39, 40.
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ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. There shall be a General Convention of this Church, consisting of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate separately; and in all deliberations freedom of debate shall be allowed. Either House may originate and propose legislation, and all acts of the Convention shall be adopted and be authenticated by both Houses.

SEC. 2. Every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction, every Bishop Coadjutor, and every Bishop who by reason of advanced age or bodily infirmity, or, who under an election to an office created by the General Convention has resigned his jurisdiction, shall have a seat and a vote in the House of Bishops. A majority of all Bishops entitled to vote, exclusive of Foreign Missionary Bishops and of Bishops who have resigned their jurisdictions, shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

SEC. 3. Upon the expiration of the term of office of the Presiding Bishop, the General Convention shall elect the Presiding Bishop of the Church. The House of Bishops shall choose one of the Bishops of this Church to be the Presiding Bishop of the Church by a vote of a majority of all the Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, such choice
to be subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies. His term and tenure of office and duties shall be prescribed by the Canons of the General Convention.

But if the Presiding Bishop of the Church shall resign his office as such, or if by reason of infirmity he shall become disabled, or in case of his death, the senior Bishop of this Church in the order of consecration, having jurisdiction within the United States, shall (unless the date of the next General Convention is within three months) immediately call a special meeting of the House of Bishops to be held within two months to elect a Bishop having jurisdiction in the United States to be the Presiding Bishop. The Bishop so elected shall serve until the next General Convention.

SEC. 4. The Church in each Diocese which has been admitted to union with the General Convention shall be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and not more than four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese; but the General Convention by Canon may reduce the representation to not fewer than two Deputies in each Order. Each Diocese shall prescribe the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

The Church in each Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States of America, which shall have been established in accordance with the Constitution and Canons for the government of this Church, shall also be entitled to representation in the House of Deputies by not more than one Presbyter, canonically resident in the Missionary District, and not more than one Layman, communicant of this Church, having domicile in the Missionary District. Each Missionary District shall prescribe
the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen. Deputies from such Missionary Districts, except as otherwise provided in the Constitution, shall be subject to all of the qualifications and with all of the rights of Deputies from Dioceses.

To constitute a quorum for the transaction of business, the Clerical order shall be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation, and the Lay order shall likewise be represented by at least one Deputy in each of a majority of the Dioceses entitled to representation.

On any question the vote of a majority of the Deputies present shall suffice, unless otherwise ordered by this Constitution, or, in cases not specifically provided for by the Constitution, by Canons requiring more than a majority, or unless the Clerical or the Lay representation from any Diocese require that the vote be taken by orders. In all cases of a vote by orders, the two orders shall vote separately, each Diocese having one vote in the Clerical order and one in the Lay order, and each Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States of America having a one-fourth vote in the Clerical order and a one-fourth vote in the Lay order; and the concurrence of the votes of the two orders, by not less than a majority of whole votes in each order of all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States of America represented in that order at the time of the vote, shall be necessary to constitute a vote of the House.

Sec. 5. In either House any number less than a quorum may adjourn from day to day. Neither House, without the consent of the other, shall adjourn for more than three days, or to any place

Quorum.

When Majority vote shall suffice.

Vote by orders.

Adjournment.
For the meeting of the House of Bishops, beyond the territory of the United States of America, and for the Convocation of the American Churches in Europe, shall have seats in the House of Deputies, subject to all the qualifications and with all the rights of Deputies, except the right to vote when the vote shall be taken by orders.

SEC. 7. The General Convention shall meet in every third year on the Wednesday after the first Sunday in October, unless a different day be appointed by the preceding Convention, and at the place designated by such Convention; but if there shall appear to the Presiding Bishop of the Church sufficient cause for changing the place so appointed, he may appoint another place for such meeting. Special meetings may be provided for by Canon.

ARTICLE II.

SECTION 1. In every Diocese the Bishop or the Bishop Coadjutor shall be chosen agreeably to rules prescribed by the Convention of that Diocese. Provided, however, that when a Diocese shall be formed out of a Missionary District, the Missionary Bishop in charge of said District shall become the Bishop of said Diocese, if he shall so elect. Missionary Bishops shall be chosen in accordance with the Canons of the General Convention.

SEC. 2. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor without the consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses, and the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church exercising
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Jurisdiction within the United States. But if the election shall have taken place within three months next before the meeting of the General Convention, the consent of the House of Deputies shall be required in place of that of a majority of the Standing Committees. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop by fewer than three Bishops.

Sec. 3. A Bishop shall confine the exercise of his office to his own Diocese or Missionary District, unless he shall have been requested to perform episcopal acts in another Diocese or Missionary District by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, or unless he shall have been authorized and appointed by the House of Bishops, or by the Presiding Bishop by its direction, to act temporarily in case of need within any territory not yet organized into Dioceses or Missionary Districts of this Church.

Sec. 4. It shall be lawful for a Diocese, with consent of the Bishop of that Diocese, to elect one or more Suffragan Bishops, without right of succession, and with seat and without vote in the House of Bishops. A Suffragan Bishop shall be consecrated and hold office under such conditions and limitations other than those provided in this Article as may be provided by Canons of the General Convention. He shall be eligible as Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of a Diocese, or as a Suffragan in another Diocese, or he may be elected by the House of Bishops as a Missionary Bishop.

Sec. 5. It shall be lawful for a Diocese to prescribe by the Constitution and Canons of such Diocese that upon the death of the Bishop a Suffragan Bishop of that Diocese may be placed in charge of such Diocese and become temporarily the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof until such time as a new Bishop shall be chosen and consecrated; or that
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during the disability or absence of the Bishop a Suffragan Bishop of that Diocese may be placed in charge of such Diocese and become temporarily the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof.

Sec. 6. A Bishop may not resign his jurisdiction without the consent of the House of Bishops.

ARTICLE III.

Bishops may be consecrated for foreign lands upon due application therefrom, with the approbation of a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, certified to the Presiding Bishop; under such conditions as may be prescribed by Canons of the General Convention. Bishops so consecrated shall not be eligible to the office of Diocesan or of Bishop Coadjutor of any Diocese in the United States or be entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, nor shall they perform any act of the episcopal office in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, unless requested so to do by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof. If a Bishop so consecrated shall be subsequently duly elected as a Missionary Bishop of this Church he shall then enjoy all the rights and privileges given in the Canons to Missionary Bishops.

ARTICLE IV.

In every Diocese a Standing Committee shall be appointed by the Convention thereof. When there is a Bishop in charge of the Diocese, the Standing Committee shall be his Council of Advice. If there be no Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor or Suffragan Bishop canonically authorized to act, the Standing Committee shall be the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese for all purposes declared by the General
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Convention. The rights and duties of the Standing Committee, except as provided in the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, may be prescribed by the Canons of the respective Dioceses.

ARTICLE V.

SECTION 1. A new Diocese may be formed, with the consent of the General Convention and under such conditions as the General Convention shall prescribe by general Canon or Canons, (1) by the erection into a Diocese of the whole or of any part of one or more Missionary Districts; (2) by the division of an existing Diocese; (3) by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses; or (4) by the junction of the whole or part of a Missionary District with a Diocese, or with any part of one or more Dioceses. The proceedings shall originate in a Convocation of the Clergy and Laity of the Missionary District called by the Bishop for that purpose; or, with the approval of the Bishop, in the Convention of the Diocese to be divided; or (when it is proposed to form a new Diocese by the junction of two or more Dioceses or of parts of two or more Dioceses), by mutual agreement of the Conventions of the Dioceses concerned, with the approval of the Bishop of each Diocese. In case the Episcopate of a Diocese be vacant, no proceedings toward its division shall be taken until the vacancy is filled. During a vacancy in a Missionary District, the consent of the Presiding Bishop must be had before proceedings to erect it into a Diocese are taken. When it shall appear to the satisfaction of the General Convention, by a certified copy of the proceedings and other documents and papers laid before it, that all the conditions for the formation of the new Diocese have been complied with and that
it has acceded to the Constitution and Canons of this Church, such new Diocese shall thereupon be admitted to union with the General Convention.

Sec. 2. In case one Diocese shall be divided into two or more Dioceses, the Bishop of the Diocese divided may elect the one to which he will be attached, and he shall thereupon become the Bishop thereof; and the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, may elect the one to which he shall be attached, and (if it be not the one elected by the Bishop) he shall be the Bishop thereof.

Sec. 3. In case a Diocese shall be formed out of parts of two or more Dioceses, each of the Bishops and Bishops Coadjutor of the several Dioceses out of which the new Diocese has been formed shall be entitled, in order of seniority of consecration, to the choice between his own Diocese and the new Diocese so formed. In case the new Diocese shall not be so chosen, it shall have the right to choose its own Bishop.

Sec. 4. Whenever a new Diocese is formed and erected out of an existing Diocese, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese out of which it was formed, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese. Whenever a Diocese is formed out of two or more existing Dioceses, it shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons of that one of the said existing Dioceses to which the greater number of clergymen shall have belonged prior to the erection of such new Diocese, except as local circumstances may prevent, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.
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**Sec. 5.** A Diocese formed out of a Missionary District shall be subject to the Constitution and Canons to which such Missionary District was subject, until the same be altered in accordance with such Constitution and Canons by the Convention of the new Diocese.

**Sec. 6.** No new Diocese shall be formed which shall contain fewer than six Parishes, or fewer than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of such new Diocese, regularly settled in a Parish or Congregation and qualified to vote for a Bishop. Nor shall such new Diocese be formed if thereby any existing Diocese shall be so reduced as to contain fewer than twelve Parishes and twelve Presbyters who have been residing therein and settled and qualified as above provided.

**Sec. 7.** The consent of the General Convention to the erection of a new Diocese shall not be given until it has satisfactory assurance of a suitable provision for the support of the Episcopate.

**ARTICLE VI.**

**Sec. 1.** The House of Bishops may establish Missionary Districts in States and Territories or parts thereof not organized into Dioceses. It may also from time to time change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Districts in such manner as may be prescribed by Canon.

**Sec. 2.** The General Convention may accept a cession of the territorial jurisdiction of a part of a Diocese when such cession shall have been proposed by the Bishop and the Convention of such Diocese, and consent thereto shall have been given by three-fourths of the Parishes in the ceded territory, and
also by the same ratio of the Parishes within the remaining territory.

Any territorial jurisdiction or any part of the same, which may have been accepted from a Diocese by the General Convention under the foregoing provision, may be retroceded to the said Diocese by such joint action of all the several parties as is herein required for its cession: Provided, that such action of the General Convention, whether of cession or retrocession, shall be by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops present and voting and by a vote of two-thirds of the House of Deputies voting by Orders.

Sec. 3. Missionary Districts shall be organized as may be prescribed by Canon of the General Convention.

**ARTICLE VII.**

Dioceses and Missionary Districts may be united into Provinces in such manner, under such conditions, and with such powers, as shall be provided by Canon of the General Convention; Provided, however, that no Diocese shall be included in a Province without its own consent.

**ARTICLE VIII.**

No person shall be ordered Priest or Deacon to minister in this Church until he shall have been examined by the Bishop and two Priests and shall have exhibited such testimonials and other requisites as the Canons in that case provided may direct. No person shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop, or ordered Priest or Deacon to minister in this Church, unless at the time, in the presence of the ordaining Bishop or Bishops, he shall subscribe and make the following declaration:

"I do believe the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God, and to
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contain all things necessary to salvation; and I do solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

If any Bishop ordains a Priest or Deacon to minister elsewhere than in this Church, he shall do so only in accordance with such provisions as shall be set forth in the Canons.

No person ordained by a foreign Bishop, or by a Bishop not in communion with this Church, shall be permitted to officiate as a Minister of this Church until he shall have complied with the Canon or Canons in that case provided and also shall have subscribed the aforesaid declaration.

**ARTICLE IX**

The General Convention may, by Canon, establish a Court for the trial of Bishops, which shall be composed of Bishops only.

Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in a Diocese shall be tried by a Court instituted by the Convention thereof; Presbyters and Deacons canonically resident in a Missionary District shall be tried according to Canons adopted by the Bishop and Convocation thereof, with the approval of the House of Bishops; *Provided*, that the General Convention in each case may prescribe by Canon for a change of venue.

The General Convention, in like manner, may establish or may provide for the establishment of Courts of Review of the determination of Diocesan or other trial Courts.

The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.
The General Convention, in like manner, may establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, solely for the review of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of Doctrine, Faith or Worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, or of suspension, deposition, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease.

**ARTICLE X.**

The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention, and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by Orders. *Provided, however, that the Gen-
eral Convention at any meeting shall have power to amend the Table of Lessons and all Tables and Rubrics relating to the use of the Psalms by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by Orders.

And Provided, further, that nothing in this Article shall be construed as restricting the authority of the Bishops of this Church to take such order as may be permitted by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer or by the Canons of the General Convention for the use of special forms of worship.

ARTICLE XI.

No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed at one triennial meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by Orders.

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As Amended, Adopted, and Codified,

In General Convention, 1904,

And Subsequently Amended

Canon 1

Of Postulants.

§ I. [i.] Every person desiring to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders is, in the first instance, to consult his immediate Pastor, or, if he have none, some Presbyter to whom he is personally known, setting before him the grounds of his desire for admission to the Ministry, together with such circumstances as may bear on his qualifications, or tend to affect his course of preparation.

[ii.] If, as the result of a thorough inquiry into the physical, mental, moral and spiritual qualifications of the applicant, he is counselled by the afore-said Presbyter to persevere in his intentions, he shall make his desire known personally, if possible, or in writing, to the Bishop in whose jurisdiction he has been canonically resident for the three months preceding. But with the written consent of the said Bishop, and on the recommendation of at least one Presbyter of the said jurisdiction who is acquainted with the applicant, the latter may at once apply to some other Bishop. He shall give to the Bishop the name of his Pastor, or, if he have none, of some other Presbyter in good standing, to whom he is personally known, from whom the Bishop may ascertain, either by personal conference, or by direct
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Examination required.

Before the admission of a Postulant the Bishop shall require the applicant to submit to a thorough examination by a physician appointed by the Bishop. This examination shall cover the man's mental and nervous as well as his physical condition; and a record of the report thereon shall be kept on file by the Bishop, and shall be open to the inspection of the Standing Committee, or Council of Advice, when application is made for its recommendation of the man to be received as a Candidate.

- **[iii.]** He shall state to the Bishop in writing:
  - (a) His full name and age.
  - (b) The length of time he has been resident in the Diocese or Missionary District.
  - (c) When, and by whom, he was baptized.
  - (d) When, and by whom, he was confirmed.
  - (e) When, and where, he was admitted to the Holy Communion.
  - (f) Whether he has ever before applied for admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders.
  - (g) On what grounds he is moved to seek the Sacred Ministry.

§ II. [i.] The Bishop, in a book to be kept for that purpose, shall enter the name of each applicant, with the fact of his approval or disapproval of the applicant, and the date of such entry. If he approve of the application, he shall inform the applicant of the fact, and of the date of his admission as Postulant.

- **[ii.]** Similar records shall be made and information given of the removal of a name from the list of
Postulants. Without further reason, the Bishop may remove the name of a Postulant who fails to be admitted as a Candidate for Holy Orders within four years from the date of his reception as a Postulant.

§ III. [i.] No Bishop shall accept as a Postulant any person who has been refused admission as a Postulant or as a Candidate for Holy Orders in any other Diocese or Missionary District, or who, having been admitted, has afterwards ceased to be a Postulant or a Candidate, until he shall have produced a certificate from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he has been refused admission, or in which he has been a Postulant or a Candidate, declaring the cause of refusal or of cessation.

[ii.] Should the Bishop accept such applicant as a Postulant, he shall send the said certificate, or a copy thereof, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, to be considered by them if the said Postulant should apply to be recommended for admission as a Candidate.

§ IV. A Standing Committee, acting as the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Diocese, shall be competent to receive and act upon applications under this Canon from persons desiring to be received as Postulants.

CANON 2.

Of Candidates for Holy Orders.

§ 1. A Postulant, having been duly received, may apply to the Standing Committee of the Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary District, in which he is a Postulant, for recommendation to the Bishop to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders, and shall submit the following papers, viz.:
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(a) An application signed by himself.
(b) The Bishop's certificate of his admission as a Postulant.
(c) A certificate in the following words:

To the Standing Committee of Place,

Date,

We, whose names are hereunder written, testify to our belief (based on personal knowledge or on evidence satisfactory to us) that A. B. is sober, honest, and godly, and that he is a communicant of this Church in good standing. We do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders.

(Signed)

This certificate must be signed by the Minister of the Parish to which the Postulant belongs and by a majority of the whole Vestry, and must be attested by the Minister, or by the Clerk or Secretary of the Vestry, as follows, viz.:

I hereby certify that the foregoing certificate was signed at a meeting of the Vestry of Parish, duly convened at on the day of , and that the names attached are those of all (or a majority of all) the members of the Vestry. (Signed)

The Minister of

or Clerk or Secretary of Vestry.

§ II. But should the Parish be without a Minister, it shall suffice that in his place the certificate be signed by some Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary District in good standing to whom the Postulant is personally known, the reason for the substitution being stated in the attesting clause.
§ III. [i.] Should there be no organized Parish at the place of residence of the Postulant, or should it be impracticable, through circumstances not affecting his moral or religious character, to obtain the signatures of the Minister and Vestry, or of the Vestry, it may suffice if the certificate be signed by at least—

(a) One Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary District in good standing to whom the Postulant is personally known; and,

(b) Four Laymen, communicants of this Church in good standing, to whom the Postulant is personally known.

[ii.] In such case, the reasons for departing from the regular form must be given in the attesting clause, which shall be signed by the same, or some other Presbyter of this Church in good standing, and shall be in the following words, viz.:

I hereby certify that the Laymen whose names are attached to the foregoing certificate are communicants of this Church in good standing, and that this form of certificate was used for no reasons affecting the moral or religious character of the candidate, but because (here give the reasons for departing from the regular form).

(Signed)
Presbyter of the Diocese, or Missionary District of

§ IV. [i.] Should the Postulant have been a Minister or Licentiate in some other body of Christians, instead of the certificate required in § I., he shall submit a certificate in the following words:

To the Standing Committee of
Place,

We, whose names are hereunder written, testify to our belief (based on personal knowledge, or on evi-
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dence satisfactory to us) that A. B. is sober, honest, and godly. We do furthermore declare that in our opinion, he possesses such qualifications as fit him to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders.

(Signed)

This certificate may be signed by—

(a) Eight adult male members in good standing of the denomination from which the applicant has come, or
(b) Eight adult Laymen, members in good standing of this Church, or
(c) Eight adult male members in good standing, in part lay members of this Church and in part members of the denomination from which the applicant has come.

[ii.] The genuineness of the signatures to such certificate and the good standing of the signers must be attested by some person or persons known to a member of the Standing Committee, or under the seal of a Notary Public, in the following words, viz.:

I do hereby certify that the names attached to the foregoing certificate are genuine, and are those of persons in good standing, members of (as the case may be).

(Signed)

[iii.] He shall also lay before the Standing Committee or the Council of Advice a certificate signed by two Presbyters of this Church known to the Committee, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of
Place, Date,

We do hereby certify that we are personally acquainted with A. B.; that he has become a communicant of this Church, and that we believe him to be sober, honest, and godly. Furthermore we are satisfied after personal examination and due inquiry con-
cerning him as to his former religious relations, that he accepts the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and that his change of relations has not arisen from any circumstances unfavorable to his moral or Christian character, or on account of which it may not be expedient to admit him to the Ministry of this Church. (Signed)

§ V. [i.] The Postulant, before his admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, must lay before the Bishop and the Board of Examining Chaplains satisfactory evidence that he is a graduate of some college or university, together with a full statement of the work done by him in such college or university. If this work include sufficient instruction in the subjects specified in clause [ii.] of this section and is otherwise deemed adequate and satisfactory, no further examination shall be required; but if not, the Postulant shall be remitted by the Bishop to the Board of Examining Chaplains for such examination as may be found necessary.

[ii.] If the Postulant be not a graduate as aforesaid, he shall be required to pass an examination in the following subjects:

1. An elementary knowledge of the Bible in English;
2. The Latin and Greek languages;
3. English:
   (a) Language (including composition),
   (b) Literature;
4. General History (with Historical Geography) and American History;
5. Mathematics;
6. The elements of one of the Natural Sciences, or a reading knowledge of a modern language other than English; and
7. One of the following:
   (a) The History of Philosophy,
   (b) Psychology,
   (c) Logic.

The Postulant must also satisfy the Board of Examining Chaplains that he possesses the intellectual ability to enter with advantage upon a course of study preparatory to Holy Orders.

[iii.] Should the Postulant be unable to meet the requirements in the Latin and Greek languages, or in either of them, he may make written application to the Bishop for a dispensation therefrom. The Bishop, on recommendation of the Board of Examining Chaplains, may, at his discretion, grant the same.

[iv.] If the Postulant have attained the age of thirty-two years, and have shown such proficiency in business or professional life as gives promise of usefulness in the Ministry, the Bishop, on recommendation of the Board of Examining Chaplains, may, at his discretion, dispense him from examination in all but the following subjects:

1. An elementary knowledge of the Bible in English;
2. English:
   (a) Language (including composition),
   (b) Literature;
3. History, General and American; and
4. One of the following subjects:
   (a) Mathematics,
   (b) Logic,
   (c) Psychology,
   (d) One of the Natural Sciences.

[v.] If the Postulant be of other race and speech, and is to exercise his Ministry among people of his race in the United States, the Bishop, on recom-
mendation of the Board of Examining Chaplains, may, at his discretion, dispense him from all examinations except those specified in the clause immediately preceding this clause. But if the Postulant is to exercise his Ministry among people of his race in a foreign Missionary District, the Bishop may, at his discretion, dispense him from all such examinations; Provided, only, that he shall satisfy the Bishop and the Board of Examining Chaplains that he possesses good mental ability and sufficient education to enable him to pursue a course of study preparatory to the work of the Ministry.

[vi.] If the Postulant have served with good repute and success in the regular Ministry of some other body of Christians for at least five years, and shall lay before the Board of Examining Chaplains satisfactory evidence of a thorough theological training in his previous communion, the Bishop, on recommendation of the Board, may, at his discretion, dispense him from the above examinations. But in all other cases such Minister shall conform to the requirements of other Postulants.

[vii.] Should a Postulant who has been examined in any of the above subjects afterwards apply for admission as Postulant in any other Diocese or Missionary District, he shall lay before the Bishop of such Diocese or District a certificate from the Bishop who admitted him as Postulant, stating what examinations for Candidature he has taken and the result of each. And if he has failed to pass in any subject, he shall not be admitted to examination in that subject until at least six months after such failure.

[viii.] The Board of Examining Chaplains may, at their discretion, accept, in lieu of examination, satisfactory evidence that the Postulant has fulfilled
the requirements in any one or more of the subjects specified in this Canon.

§ VI. The Board of Examining Chaplains shall report to the Bishop in writing whether these examinations have been satisfactorily sustained, and the Bishop shall transmit this report to the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, with a statement of any dispensations granted.

§ VII. The Standing Committee, on receipt of the report and the certificate or certificates as above prescribed, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient objection on grounds either physical, mental, moral, or spiritual, to the admission of the applicant, may, at a meeting duly convened (a majority of all the members consenting), recommend the Postulant for admission to Candidateship, by a testimonial bearing the signatures of a majority of all the members of the Committee, and addressed to the Bishop, in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of , and having been duly convened at , do testify, that from personal knowledge or from certificates laid before us, we are well assured that A. B. is sober, honest, and godly; and that he is a communicant of this Church in good standing; and we do furthermore declare that, in our opinion, he possesses qualifications which fit him to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands, this day of in the year of our Lord (Signed)

This testimonial shall be presented to the Bishop without delay.
§ VIII. When the aforesaid requirements have been complied with, the Bishop may admit the Postulant as a Candidate for Holy Orders. He shall thereupon record his name, with the date of his admission, in a book to be kept for that purpose, and shall inform the Candidate and the Secretary of the Standing Committee of the fact and date of such admission.

CANON 3.

Of General Provisions Concerning Candidates for Holy Orders.

§ I. [i.] The superintendence of all Candidates for Holy Orders, both as to their daily life and as to the direction of their theological studies, pertains to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District to which they belong. The Bishop may at his discretion ask one or more of the Board of Examining Chaplains to assist him in this superintendence.

[ii.] Every Candidate shall pursue his studies diligently under proper direction; he shall not indulge in vain or trifling conduct or in amusements unfavorable to godly and studious habits and to that good report which becomes a person preparing for the Holy Ministry.

[iii.] When the Standing Committee of a Diocese is the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, the Clerical members of the Committee shall, through the President, discharge the duties assigned in this Section to the Bishop.

§ II. [i.] A Candidate must remain in canonical connection with the Diocese or Missionary District
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| [ii.] | For reasons satisfactory to the Ecclesiastical Authority, Letters Dimissory may be granted to a Candidate on his own request to any other Diocese or Missionary District. |
| [iii.] | Convenience of attending any Theological or other Seminary shall not be a sufficient reason for change of canonical residence. |

| § III. [i.] Every candidate for Holy Orders shall report himself to the Ecclesiastical Authority, personally or by letter, four times a year, in the Ember Weeks, giving account of his manner of life and progress in his studies; and if he fail to make such report to the satisfaction of the Ecclesiastical Authority, his name may be stricken from the list of Candidates. |

| [ii.] | If a Candidate for Holy Orders shall fail to present himself for examination within three years from the date of his admission as a Candidate, his name may, after due notice, be stricken from the list of Candidates at the discretion of the Bishop. |

| § IV. A Candidate for Holy Orders, in any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church, or of any Church in communion with this Church, whose name shall have been stricken from the list of Candidates, or whose application for ordination shall have been rejected, shall not be ordained without re-admission to candidateship, said candidateship to continue for not less than one whole year; Provided, that in no such case shall the whole term of candidateship be less than three years. |

| § V. A Candidate for Holy Orders shall not be a Deputy to the General Convention. |
CANON 4.

Of the Normal Standard of Learning and Examination of Candidates for Holy Orders.

§ I. [1.] Before ordination to the Priesthood, the Candidate must pass examinations before the Examining Chaplains in the following subjects:

1. Holy Scripture: The Bible in English; the New Testament in Greek, together with a special knowledge of at least two Gospels and two Epistles; History of the Canon of Scripture; Introduction to, and Contents of, the various Books; Biblical History, Exegesis;

2. Church History: From the beginning to the present time; together with special knowledge of a period elected by the Candidate;

3. Christian Missions: Their history, extent and methods;

4. Doctrine: Dogmatic Theology and the Evidences of the Christian Faith;

5. Christian Ethics, and Moral Theology;


7. Ecclesiastical Polity and Canon Law, including the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and of the Diocese to which the Candidate belongs;

8. Ministration:
   
   (a) The Administration of the Sacraments; and Conduct of Public Worship, with the proper use of the voice therein;

   (b) Homiletics: Principles of Sermon Composition and Delivery. In connection
with the examination in this subject the Candidate shall present three sermons, composed by himself, on texts of Holy Scripture appointed by the Bishop;

(c) Pastoral Care;

(d) Parish Organization and Administration, including the keeping of accounts;

(e) Principles and Methods of Religious Education in the Parish;

9. He must also offer at least one of the following Elective subjects:

(a) Old Testament in Hebrew,

(b) Biblical Theology,

(c) History of Religions,

(d) Sociology,

(e) Psychology,

(f) A modern language other than English, with the ability to minister therein,

(g) Christian Archaeology,

(h) Christian Biography,

(i) Church Music,

(j) Advanced Exegesis of the Greek New Testament,

(k) Work of a specialized and advanced character in any recognized field of study.

The Board of Examining Chaplains may, in lieu of examination, accept satisfactory evidence of the fulfillment of the requirements in any of the above mentioned elective subjects.

[ii.] If a Candidate desires a dispensation from examination in the Greek of the New Testament, he shall make application to the Bishop in writing, stat-
ing his reasons for the request. The Bishop may, upon recommendation of the Board of Examining Chaplains, at his discretion, grant the same. A Candidate so dispensed shall be examined in the special knowledge of at least two Gospels and two Epistles in English, and shall also offer at least three elective subjects.

[iii.]. If the Candidate have been a Minister or Licentiate in some other body of Christians, he shall also be examined, in writing, on those points of Doctrine, Discipline and Worship, in which the communion from which he has come differs from this Church. This portion of the examination shall be conducted, in part at least, by written questions and answers; the replies shall be kept on file for at least three years.

§ II. Before admission to the Diaconate, it shall suffice that the Candidate pass examinations in the following portions of the requirements set forth in § I. of this Canon. And before his advancement to the Priesthood he shall not be required to be re-examined in these subjects, or portions of subjects, unless the Examining Chaplains have warned him beforehand of this requirement in specified subjects, except that in any event the candidate must be re-examined in the Conduct of Public Worship with the proper use of the voice therein;

1. Holy Scripture: The Bible in English; Contents and Interpretation of the various Books; Biblical History;
2. Church History: A general outline, together with the history of this Church in the United States of America;
3. Christian Missions: Their history, extent and methods;
§ III. [i.] Examinations at any theological or other literary institution shall not supersede any canonical examination, nor shall any certificate of graduation or diploma be sufficient ground for dispensing with any part of the canonical examination, except as provided in this Canon.

[ii.] It shall be the privilege of the Priest who is to present a Candidate for ordination to be present at his examinations; but no other person save the Bishop shall be permitted to be present without the consent of the Board of Examining Chaplains.

[iii.] The Candidate shall be examined by the Bishop in the presence of two Priests both before his ordination to the Diaconate and before his ordination to the Priesthood. The Bishop may conduct one or both of these examinations by taking some part in the regular examinations held by the Examining Chaplains.
CANON 5.

Of Examinations for Admission to Holy Orders in Special Cases.

§ I. In special cases the requirements of the Normal Standard of Learning may be modified as hereinafter provided. But in every case before a Deacon shall be ordered Priest, he shall be examined, by the Bishop and two Presbyters, in the office and work of a Priest, and as to his ability to serve the Church in that Order of the Ministry.

§ II. A Deacon, admitted Candidate under the provisions of Canon 2, § V. [iv.], and who has served two years in the Diaconate with good repute and success, may be advanced to the Priesthood without further examination. But he shall not be granted letters dimissory from one Diocese or District to another, without the request, in writing, of the Bishop of the Diocese or District to which he wishes to go, unless he shall have passed the full examinations prescribed in Canon 4, § I.

§ III. A Deacon admitted Candidate under the provisions of Canon 2, § V. [v.], and who has served two years in the Diaconate with good repute and success, may be admitted to the Priesthood without further examination; Provided, that if he is to minister within the United States of America, he pass a special examination in the history and government thereof. But he shall not be granted letters dimissory from one Diocese or District to another without the request, in writing, of the Bishop of the Diocese or District to which he wishes to go, unless he shall have passed the full examinations prescribed in Canon 4, § I.

§ IV. The Bishop of any Diocese or Missionary District, subject to the consent of the Standing Com-
mittee or Council of Advice, may, at his discretion, dispense a Candidate desiring to be ordained Deacon from all examination except in the following subjects: (a) The Contents and Interpretation of the Books of Holy Scripture; (b) the Doctrines of this Church; (c) the Contents and Use of the Book of Common Prayer; and (d) Church History, a general outline, together with the history of this Church in the United States of America, and the history of Christian Missions. And a Deacon so ordained, who has served with good repute and success for at least two years in the Diaconate, may be advanced to the Priesthood without further examination; Provided, that no Deacon or Priest so ordained shall be transferred from the Diocese or District within the United States in which he was ordained, until and unless the Board of Examining Chaplains shall certify that he has passed the examinations prescribed in Canon 4, § I. However, any Priest so ordained who conforms to the conditions of Canon 2, § V. [iv.] and Canon 4, § II., may be granted letters dimissory to another Diocese or District upon the request, in writing, of the Bishop of that Diocese or District.

§ V. [i.] A Postulant who has become a Candidate under the provisions of Canon 2, § V. [vi.], shall, before his ordination to the Diaconate, be required to pass an examination in the following subjects:

1. Ecclesiastical Polity, including the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident;
2. The History of the Church of England and of this American Church;
3. The History, Contents and Use of the Book of Common Prayer;
4. The Elements of Christian Doctrine as contained in the Creeds and Catechism;
5. The points of Doctrine, Discipline and Worship in which the communion from which he has come differs from this Church. This portion of the examination shall be conducted in part at least by written questions and answers, and the replies kept on file for at least three years.

[ii.] A Deacon so ordained may be advanced to the Priesthood without further examination, save as prescribed in § I. of this Canon.

[iii.] In all other cases a Candidate who has been a Minister or Licentiate in some other body of Christians shall pass the examinations required of other Candidates.

§ VI. In all cases of the ordination under this Canon of men with modified requirements of learning, a record of the modifications shall be kept by the Bishop, and the standing of every Minister thus ordained shall be reported to the Recorder with the other matters required in Canon 51, § IV. [ii.].

§ VII. In case of a Deacon desiring to be transferred from one Diocese to another, the Ecclesiastical Authority of the former Diocese must state in the Letter Dimissory the exact standing of the Deacon as regards Examinations passed or Dispensations received; also the dates of his birth, admission as a candidate and ordination.

CANON 6.
Of a Board of Examining Chaplains.

§ I. In every Diocese or Missionary District there shall be a Board of Examining Chaplains, consisting of at least two learned Presbyters, canonically
§ II. The Board of Examining Chaplains may adopt rules for its work, subject to the approval of the Bishop, provided the same are not inconsistent with the Canons of the General Convention. These rules may include the appointment of committees of the Board to act on its behalf.

§ III. It shall be the duty of the Board of Examining Chaplains, under the guidance and oversight of the Bishop, to conduct the examinations of Postulants and Candidates prescribed by these Canons. These examinations shall be, in part at least, in writing. The Examining Chaplains, when so requested by the Bishop, shall give oversight to Postulants and Candidates, and shall advise them in regard to their studies and preparation.

§ IV. The Board of Examining Chaplains shall promptly report, in writing, to the Bishop the results of all examinations held by them, whether satisfactory or unsatisfactory, making separate reports upon each of the appointed subjects, and upon each person examined. The Bishop shall transmit these reports to the Standing Committee or Council of resident within the said Diocese or Missionary District. Examining Chaplains shall be nominated by the Bishop at the Annual Convention or Council, the nomination being confirmed by the vote of the Convention or Council. Their term of office shall be fixed by Diocesan Canons. Should vacancies occur in the Board when the Convention or Council is not in session, the Bishop shall similarly nominate to the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, upon whose confirmation the person or persons so designated shall be added to the Board and shall serve until the next meeting of the Convention or Council.
Advice, who shall in no case recommend a Postulant for admission as Candidate for Holy Orders, or recommend a Candidate for Ordination to the Diaconate or to the Priesthood, until they have received and considered the report of the Board of Examining Chaplains.

The report of the Board shall be made in the following form, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of (or the Clerical Members of the Standing Committee of as the case may be).

Place, Date,

We, having been assigned as Examiners of A. B., hereby testify that we have examined the said A. B. upon the subjects prescribed in Canon . Sensible of our responsibility, we give our judgment as follows: (Here specify the proficiency of A. B. in each of the subjects appointed, as made apparent by the examinations).

(Signed)

§ V. The Board shall make an annual report concerning its work to the Convention or Council.

§ VI. The Bishop, with the consent of the Board of Examining Chaplains, may ask the Examining Chaplains of another Diocese or Missionary District to conduct the examination of a Postulant or Candidate on their behalf.

§ VII. Any Provincial Synod shall have the right to form a Provincial Board of Examining Chaplains. The members of the Board shall serve for a term of three years each, or until their successors are appointed. Vacancies occurring in the Board may be filled for the unexpired term by the Synod. It shall be the duty of such Provincial Board to pre-
Candidate to be twenty-one years of age.

To be three years a Candidate, unless the time be shortened.

Recommendation from Standing Committee.

pare a syllabus indicating the range and character of the attainments required in the several subjects prescribed by these Canons and to prepare question papers for all written examinations. And such syllabus and papers may be adopted for their own use, subject to the approval of the Bishop, by the Board of Examining Chaplains of any Diocese or District within the Province. The Provincial Board, when organized, shall report upon its work to the Synod at each session.

CANON 7.

Of Ordination to the Diaconate.

§ I. No one shall be ordered Deacon until he shall be twenty-one years of age.

§ II. No one shall be ordered Deacon within three years from his admission as Candidate for Holy Orders, unless the Bishop, with the advice and consent of a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee, shall shorten the time of his candidateship; but the time shall not be shortened to less than one year, except in the case of a person who shall have attained the age of thirty years, and shall have had experience in speaking and teaching publicly; and in no case shall the time be shortened to less than six months. In the computation of time required to elapse between his admission as a Candidate and his ordering as a Deacon, the successful completion of three academic years in any incorporated Seminary of the Church may be considered as equivalent to three calendar years.

§ III. No one shall be ordered Deacon unless he be first recommended to the Bishop by the Standing Committee of the Diocese, or Council of Advice of the Missionary District, to which he belongs.
§ IV. In order to be recommended for ordination, the Candidate must lay before the Standing Committee:

(a) An application therefor in writing, signed by himself, which shall state the date of his birth.

(b) A certificate from the Bishop by whom he was admitted a Candidate, declaring the date of his admission; but when such certificate cannot be had, other evidence satisfactory to the Committee shall suffice.

(c) A certificate from a Presbyter of this Church, known to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of
Place, Date,
I hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with A. B., and that I believe him to be well qualified to minister in the Office of Deacon, to the glory of God and the edification of His Church.

(Signed)

(d) A certificate from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish of which he is a member, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of
Place, Date,
We do certify that, after due inquiry, we are well assured and believe that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and that he is loyal to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and does not hold anything contrary thereto. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

(Signed)
This certificate must be attested by the Minister of the Parish, or by the Clerk or Secretary of the Vestry, as follows, viz.:

I hereby certify that A. B. is a member of Parish in and a communicant of the same; that the foregoing certificate was signed at a meeting of the Vestry duly convened at on the day of and that the names attached are those of all (or a majority of all) the members of the Vestry.

(Signed)
The Minister of or Clerk or Secretary of Vestry.

§ V. But should the Parish be without a Minister, it shall suffice that in his place the certificate be signed by some Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary District in good standing, the reason for the substitution being stated in the-attesting clause.

§ VI. [i.] Should there be no organized Parish at the place of residence of the Candidate, or should it be impracticable, through circumstances not affecting his moral or religious character, to obtain the signatures of the Minister and Vestry, or of the Vestry, it may suffice if the certificate be signed by at least—

(a) One Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary District in good standing; and,

(b) Six Laymen, communicants of this Church in good standing.

[ii.] In such case, the reasons for departing from the regular form must be given in the attesting clause, which shall be signed by the same, or some other Presbyter of this Church in good standing. and shall be in the following words, viz.:
I hereby certify, that the Laymen whose names are attached to the foregoing certificate are communicants of this Church in good standing, and that this form of certificate was used for no reasons affecting the moral or religious character of the Candidate, but because (here give the reasons for departing from the regular form). (Signed)

Presbyter of the Diocese, or Missionary District of

§ VII. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificates prescribed as above, and having reason to believe that all other canonical requirements have been complied with, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient obstacle, physical, mental, moral, or spiritual, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the members of the Committee consenting, recommend the Candidate for ordination by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of , and having been duly convened at , do testify that A. B., desiring to be ordered Deacon, hath laid before us satisfactory certificates that for the space of three years last past he hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and that he is loyal to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church and does not hold anything contrary thereto. And we hereby recommend him for ordination to the Diaconate.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this day of in the year of our Lord

(Signed)

This testimonial shall be signed by all consenting to its adoption.
§ VIII. The testimonial having been presented to the Bishop, and there being no sufficient objection on grounds physical, mental, moral, doctrinal, or spiritual, the Bishop shall take order for the ordination; and at the time of the ordination he shall require the Candidate to subscribe and make, in his presence, the declaration required in Article VIII. of the Constitution.

CANON 8.

Of Ordination to the Priesthood

§ I. No one shall be ordered Priest until he be twenty-four years of age.

§ II. No one shall be ordered Priest until he has been a Deacon one full year, unless it shall seem good to the Bishop, for reasonable causes, with the advice, and consent of a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee, to shorten the time; nor within three years from his admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, unless the Bishop, for urgent reasons fully stated, with the advice and consent of a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee, shall shorten the time. And in no case shall he be ordered Priest within less than one year from his admission as Candidate for Holy Orders, nor until he has been a Deacon for at least six months. But a Deacon who has been ordained under the provisions of Canon 5, §§ II., III. or IV., shall not be ordered Priest until he has been a Deacon for at least two years, unless in the meantime he shall have fulfilled the requirements of Canon 4, § I.

§ III. No Deacon shall be ordered Priest unless he be first recommended to the Bishop by the Standing Committee of the Diocese, or by the Council of
Advice of the Missionary District, to which he belongs.

§ IV. In order to be recommended for ordination by the Standing Committee, the Deacon must lay before the Committee:

(a) An application therefor in writing signed by himself, which shall state the date of his birth.

(b) A certificate from the Bishop declaring that the term of his candidateship and the time of his service in the Diaconate have been completed; but when such certificate cannot be had, other evidence, satisfactory to the Committee, may suffice.

(c) A certificate from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish where he resides, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of

Place, Date,

We do certify that, after due inquiry, we are well assured and believe that the Reverend A. B., Deacon, since the day of in the year being the date of his ordination to the Diaconate [or for the space of three years last past], hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Priests.

(Signed)

This certificate must be attested by the Minister of the Parish, or by the Clerk or Secretary of the Vestry, as follows, viz.:

I hereby certify that the Reverend A. B. is a resident of Parish in ; that the foregoing certificate was signed at a meeting of the Vestry duly convened at on the day of , and the names attached are

Papers to be laid before Standing Committee.
those of all (or a majority of all) the members of the Vestry.

(Signed)
The Minister of
or Clerk or Secretary of Vestry.

§ V. But should the Parish be without a Minister, it shall suffice that in his place the certificate be signed by some Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary District in good standing, the reason for the substitution being stated in the attesting clause.

§ VI. [i.] Should there be no organized Parish at the place of residence of the Candidate, or should it be impracticable, through circumstances not affecting his moral or religious character, to obtain the signatures of the Minister and Vestry, or of the Vestry, it may suffice if the certificate be signed by at least—

(a) One Presbyter of the Diocese or Missionary District, in good standing; and,

(b) Six Laymen, communicants of this Church, in good standing.

[ii.] In such case, the reasons for departing from the regular form must be given in the attesting clause, which shall be signed by the same, or some other Presbyter of this Church in good standing, and shall be in the following words, viz.:

I hereby certify that the Laymen whose names are attached to the foregoing certificate are communicants of this Church in good standing, and that this form of certificate was used for no reasons affecting the moral or religious character of the Candidate, but because (here give the reasons for departing from the regular form).

(Signed)
Presbyter of the Diocese, or Missionary
District of
§ VII. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificates prescribed as above, and having reason to believe that all other canonical requirements have been complied with, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient obstacle, physical, mental, moral, or spiritual, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the members of the Committee consenting, recommend the Deacon for ordination by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of and having been duly convened at , do testify that the Reverend A. B., Deacon, desiring to be ordered Priest, hath laid before us satisfactory certificates that since the day of in the year being the date of his ordination to the Diaconate [or for the space of three years last past], he hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church; and we hereby recommend him for ordination to the Priesthood.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this day of in the year of our Lord

(Signed)

This testimonial shall be signed by all consenting to its adoption.

§ VIII. The testimonial having been presented to the Bishop, and there being no sufficient objection on grounds physical, mental, moral, doctrinal, or spiritual, the Bishop shall take order for the ordination; and at the time of the ordination he shall require the Deacon to subscribe and make, in his
**CANON 9.**

- **Evidence of his appointment to some Cure.**
- **When Bishop Coadjutor or Missionary Bishop may act.**
- **Power of Council of Advice in a Missionary District.**
- **Certificates to be in the words prescribed.**
- **No Postulant or Candidate to sign these certificates.**

presence, the declaration required in Article VIII. of the Constitution.

§ IX. No Deacon shall be ordered Priest until he shall have been appointed to serve in some parochial Cure within the jurisdiction of this Church, or as a Missionary under the Ecclesiastical Authority of some Diocese or Missionary District, or as an officer of some Missionary Society recognized by the General Convention, or as a Chaplain of the Army or Navy of the United States, or as a Chaplain or instructor in some college or other seminary of learning, with opportunity for the exercise of his Ministry judged sufficient by the Bishop.

**CANON 9.**

**Of General Provisions Respecting Ordination.**

§ I. [i.] For the purpose of this and other Canons of Ordination, the authority assigned to the Bishop of the Diocese may be exercised by a Bishop Coadjutor, when so empowered under Canon 13; Section II., or by a Missionary Bishop, or any other Bishop of this Church canonically in charge of a Diocese or Missionary District, or of congregations in foreign parts.

[ii.] The Council of Advice in a Missionary District shall, for the purposes of this and other Canons of Ordination, have the same powers as the Standing Committee of a Diocese.

§ II. [i.] No certificate or testimonial, the form of which is supplied by Canon, shall be valid, unless it be in the words prescribed; the omission of the date therefrom shall render such certificate or testimonial liable to rejection.

[ii.] No Postulant or Candidate for Holy Orders shall sign any of the certificates prescribed in the foregoing Canons of Ordination.
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[iii.] Whenever the testimonial of the Standing Committee is required, such testimonial must be signed at a meeting duly convened, and, in the absence of express provision to the contrary, by a majority of the whole Committee.

(iv.) Whenever the certificate of a Vestry is required, such certificate must be signed by a majority of the whole Vestry, at a meeting duly convened, and the fact must be attested by the Secretary of the said Vestry or by the Minister.

§ III. Whenever dispensation from any of the requirements of the Canons of Ordination is permitted, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, the application must be first made to the Bishop, and, if he approve it, be by him referred to the Committee.

§ IV. If, in the case of any applicant for admission as a Candidate for Holy Orders, or for ordination, a majority of the Standing Committee refuse to recommend, or shall fail to act within three months, although the required certificates have been laid before the Committee, it shall be the duty of the Committee, without delay, to give to the Bishop the reasons, in writing, for such refusal or failure to act.

§ V. [i.] No Bishop of this Church shall ordain any person to officiate in any congregation beyond the limits of the United States until the testimonials and certificates required by the Canons of Ordination shall have been supplied, except as provided for as follows:

[ii.] Any Missionary Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in foreign lands, or any Bishop to whom the charge of congregations in foreign lands shall have been assigned by the Presiding Bishop, may ordain as Deacons or Presbyters, to officiate within the limits of his charge, any persons of the
Ordinations to be held at Ember Season.

All canonical requirements to be complied with before appointment of ordination.

Certificate required before he can officiate in this Church.

**CANON 10.**

age required by the Canons of this Church, who shall exhibit to him the testimonials required by Canons 7 and 9, signed by not less than twoPresbyters of this Church, who may be subject to his charge, and other satisfactory evidence of moral character from natives of the country not in Holy Orders; *Provided, nevertheless,* that if there be only one Presbyter of this Church subject to his charge, and capable of acting at the time, the signature of a Presbyter in good standing under the jurisdiction of any Bishop in communion with this Church may be admitted to supply the deficiency.

§ VI. In accordance with ancient Canons, ordinations shall be held on the Sundays following the Ember Weeks, except that the Bishop may, if he deem proper, for urgent reasons, appoint special ordinations at other times.

§ VII. No appointment for the ordination of any Candidate shall be made until the Bishop has had due notice that all the canonical requirements have been complied with.

**CANON 10.**

Of Ministers Ordained in Foreign Countries by Bishops in Communion with this Church.

§ I. [i.] A Minister declaring himself to have been ordained beyond the limits of the United States by a foreign Bishop in communion with this Church, or by a Bishop consecrated for a foreign country by Bishops of this Church under Article III. of the Constitution, shall, before he be permitted to officiate in any Parish or Congregation of this Church, exhibit to the Minister, or, if there be no Minister, to the Vestry thereof, a certificate of recent date, signed by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary
District, that his letters of Holy Orders and other credentials are valid and authentic, and given by a Bishop in communion with this Church, and whose authority is acknowledged by this Church, and also that he has exhibited to the said Ecclesiastical Authority satisfactory evidence of his moral and godly character, and of his theological acquirements.

[ii.] And before he shall be permitted to take charge of any Parish or Congregation, or be received into any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Ecclesiastical Authority letters Dimissory or equivalent credentials under the hand and seal of the Bishop with whose Diocese or Missionary District he has been last connected, which letters or credentials shall be delivered within six months from the date thereof. Before such Minister shall be so received, the Bishop shall require him to promise in writing to submit himself in all things to the discipline of this Church, without recourse to any foreign jurisdiction, civil or ecclesiastical; and shall further require him to subscribe and make in his presence, and in the presence of two or more Presbyters, the declaration required in Article VIII. of the Constitution. He shall also be examined by the Bishop and at least one Presbyter as to his knowledge of the history of this Church, its worship and government. The said Ecclesiastical Authority, being satisfied of his theological acquirements, may then receive him into the Diocese or Missionary District as a Minister of this Church; Provided, that such Minister shall not be entitled to hold canonical charge in any Parish or Congregation, until he shall have resided one year in the United
If a Deacon, to reside one year in this country before being ordered Priest.

Of Ministers who have not received Episcopal ordination.

Pre-ordination requirements.

States subsequent to the acceptance of his credentials.

§ II. If such Minister be a Deacon, he shall not be ordered Priest until he shall have resided in the United States at least one year.

CANON 11.

Of the Ordination of Deacons and Priests in Special Cases.

§ I. In case any Minister who has not received episcopal ordination shall desire to receive such orders from a Bishop of this Church to the Diaconate and to the Priesthood without giving up or denying his fellowship or his ministry in the Communion to which he belongs, the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he lives, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee or the Council of Advice, may confirm and ordain him; Provided, also, that the congregation, if any, in which such Minister officiates, shall declare, through its proper representatives, its desire for such ordination on behalf of its Minister, and its purpose to receive in future the ministrations and the Sacraments of one who shall be ordained to the Priesthood by a Bishop.

§ II. The Minister desiring to be so ordained shall satisfy the Bishop that he has resided in the United States at least one year; that he has been duly baptized with water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; that he holds the historic faith of the Church as contained in the Apostles’ Creed and the Nicene Creed; that there is no sufficient objection on grounds physical, mental, moral or spiritual; that the Ecclesiastical Authority to which he is subject in the Communion to which he belongs consents to such ordination; that he will not knowingly admit to the Holy Communion any person
who has not been baptized with water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; and further, the Bishop shall charge him that the Church hopefully anticipates the use of the Apostolic practice of Confirmation among his people.

§ III. At the time of such ordination the person so to be ordained shall subscribe and make in the presence of the Bishop a declaration that he believes the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God and to contain all things necessary to salvation; that in the ministration of Baptism he will unfailingly baptize with water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. He shall also undertake that in the celebration of the Holy Communion he will invariably use the elements of bread and wine, and will include in the service (a) a Prayer of Consecration, embodying the words and acts of our Lord in the Institution of the Sacrament, an Offering, an Invocation of the Holy Spirit and a Thanksgiving, (b) the Lord's Prayer, and (c) the Apostles' Creed or the Nicene Creed as the symbol of the faith and unity of the Holy Catholic Church. He shall also agree that when thereto invited by the Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in the place where he lives, he will (unless unavoidably prevented) meet with such Bishop for Holy Communion and for counsel and co-operation; and that he will hold himself answerable to the Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in the place where he lives, or, if there be no such Bishop, to the Presiding Bishop of this Church, in case he be called in question with respect to error of faith or of conduct.

§ IV. In case a person so ordained be charged with error of faith or of conduct he shall have reasonable notice of the charge and reasonable opportunity to be heard, and the procedure shall be similar to...
the procedure in the case of a Clergyman of this Church charged with the like offense. The sentence shall always be pronounced by the Bishop and shall be such as a Clergyman of this Church would be liable to. It shall be certified to the Ecclesiastical Authority to which the defendant is responsible in any other Communion. If he shall have been tried before a tribunal of the Communion in which he has exercised his ministry, the judgment of such tribunal proceeding in the due exercise of its jurisdiction shall be taken as conclusive evidence of facts thereby adjudged.

§ V. A Minister so ordained may officiate according to the prescribed order of this Church, in a Diocese or Missionary District of this Church when licensed by the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, but he shall not become the Rector or a Minister of any Parish or Congregation of this Church until he shall have subscribed and made to the Ordinary a declaration in writing, whereby he shall solemnly engage to conform to the Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of this Church. Upon his making such declaration and being duly elected Rector or Minister of a Parish or Congregation of this Church, and complying with the Canons of this Church and of the Diocese or Missionary District in that behalf, he shall become for all purposes a Minister of this Church.

§ VI. In this Canon the action to be taken by a Bishop is limited to that of the Bishop of a Diocese or Missionary District, having jurisdiction therein.

CANON 12.

Of the Admission of Ministers Ordained by Bishops Not in Communion with this Church.

§ I. When a Minister ordained by a Bishop not in communion with this Church shall apply to
a Bishop for admission into the same as a Minister thereof, he shall produce to the Bishop satisfactory evidence of his moral and godly character and of his theological acquirements, and that his letters of Holy Orders and other credentials are valid and authentic; he shall also produce a written certificate from at least two Presbyters of this Church, stating that, from personal examination, or from satisfactory evidence laid before them, they believe that his desire to leave the Communion to which he has belonged has not arisen from any circumstance unfavorable to his moral or religious character, or on account of which it may not be expedient to admit him to the exercise of the Ministry in this Church. Before such Minister shall be received into the Ministry of this Church, the Bishop shall require him to promise in writing to submit himself in all things to the discipline of this Church without recourse to any foreign jurisdiction, civil or ecclesiastical; and shall further require him to subscribe and make in his presence, and in the presence of two or more Presbyters, the declaration required in Article VIII. of the Constitution.

If such a Minister furnish evidence of a thorough theological training in his previous communion, and have exercised his ministry therein with good repute and success for at least five years, he shall be examined by the Bishop and two Presbyters in the following subjects:

1. Ecclesiastical Polity and Canon Law, including the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and of the Diocese in which he expects to serve;

2. The History of the Church of England and of this Church;
3. The History, Contents and Use of the Book of Common Prayer;
4. The points of Doctrine, Discipline and Worship in which the Communion from which he has come differs from this Church.

But if such Minister cannot furnish evidence of a thorough theological training in his previous Communion, or if he have not exercised his Ministry therein with good repute and success for at least five years, he shall conform to the requirements of Canon 2, § V., and Canon 4, § I., in full.

After which the Bishop, being satisfied of his theological acquirements and soundness in the faith, may, with the consent of the Standing Committee, or Council of Advice, receive him into the Diocese or Missionary District as a Minister of this Church; Provided, that such Minister shall not be entitled to hold canonical charge in any Parish or Congregation until he shall have resided one year in the United States subsequent to the acceptance of his credentials.

§ II. If such Minister be a Deacon he shall not be ordered Priest until he shall have resided in the United States at least one year.

CANON 13.

Of Ordination or Consecration of Bishops.

§ I. [i.] Whenever the Church in any Diocese shall desire the ordination and consecration of a Bishop elect, if the election shall have taken place within three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the Standing Committee of the said Diocese shall, by their President, or by some person or
persons specially appointed, forward to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, evidence of the election of the Bishop elect by the Convention of the Diocese, together with evidence of his having been duly ordered Deacon and Priest, and also a testimonial, signed by a constitutional majority of such Convention, in the following words, viz.:

We, whose names are hereunder written, fully sensible how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the Reverend A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion or for viciousness of life; and that we know of no impediment on account of which he ought not to be ordained and consecrated to that Holy Office. We do, moreover, jointly and severally declare that we believe him to be of such sufficiency in good learning, of such soundness in the Faith, and of such virtuous and pure manners and godly conversation, that he is apt and meet to exercise the Office of a Bishop to the honour of God and the edifying of His Church, and to be a wholesome example to the flock of Christ.

(Signed)

The Secretary of such Convention shall certify upon this testimonial that it has been signed by a constitutional majority thereof.

The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall lay the said testimonials before the House, and if the House shall consent to the consecration of the Bishop elect, notice of said consent, certified by the President and Secretary of said House, shall be sent to the
House of Bishops, together with the testimonials aforesaid.

[ii.] If the House of Bishops consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop shall, without delay, notify such consent to the Standing Committee of the Diocese electing and to the Bishop elect; and upon notice of the acceptance by the Bishop elect of his election, the Presiding Bishop shall take order for the consecration of the said Bishop elect either by himself and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops of this Church to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

In all particulars the service at the consecration of a Bishop shall be under the direction of the Bishop presiding at such consecration.

[iii.] If the election of a Bishop shall have taken place more than three months before the meeting of the General Convention, the Standing Committee of the Diocese electing shall, by their President, or by some person or persons specially appointed, immediately send certificate of the election to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses, together with copies of the necessary testimonials; and if a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses shall consent to the consecration of the Bishop elect, the Standing Committee of the Diocese electing shall then forward the evidence of said consent, with the other necessary testimonials, to the Presiding Bishop, who shall immediately communicate the same to every Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in the United States, and if a majority of such Bishops shall consent to the consecration, the Presiding Bishop shall, without delay, notify such consent to the Standing Committee of the Diocese electing and to the Bishop elect, and upon notice of his acceptance of the election, the Presiding Bishop shall take order
for the consecration of the said Bishop elect either by himself and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops of this Church to whom he may communicate the testimonials.

The evidence of the consent of the several Standing Committees shall be a testimonial in the following words, signed by a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses:

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of , and having been duly convened at , fully sensible how important it is that the Sacred Order and Office of a Bishop should not be unworthily conferred, and firmly persuaded that it is our duty to bear testimony on this solemn occasion without partiality or affection, do, in the presence of Almighty God, testify that the Reverend A. B. is not, so far as we are informed, justly liable to evil report, either for error in religion or for viciousness of life; and that we know of no impediment on account of which he ought not to be ordained and consecrated to that Holy Office.

In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this day of in the year of our Lord

(Signed)

If the Presiding Bishop shall not have received the consent of a majority of the Bishops within three months from the date of his notice to them, he shall then give notice of such failure to the Standing Committee of the Diocese electing.

[iv.] In case a majority of all the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses shall not consent to the consecration of a Bishop elect within the period of six months from the date of the notification of the
election by the Standing Committee of the Diocese electing, or in case a majority of all the Bishops entitled to act in the premises shall not consent within the period of three months from the date of notification to them by the Presiding Bishop of the election, the Presiding Bishop shall declare the election null and void, and the Convention of the Diocese may then proceed to a new election.

§ II. [i.] When a Bishop of a Diocese is unable, by reason of age, or other permanent cause of infirmity, or by reason of the extent of Diocesan work, fully to discharge the duties of his office, or when the Bishop of a Diocese shall have been elected Presiding Bishop of this Church, or President of the Council, a Bishop Coadjutor may be elected by and for said Diocese, who shall have the right of succession; Provided, that before the election of a Bishop Coadjutor for the reason of extent of Diocesan work, the consent of the General Convention, or during the recess thereof, the consent of a majority of the Bishops and of the several Standing Committees, must be had and obtained. Before any election of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Bishop of the Diocese shall read, or cause to be read, to the Convention thereof, his written consent to such election, and in such consent he shall state the duties which he thereby assigns to the Bishop Coadjutor, when duly ordained and consecrated, and such consent shall form part of the proceedings of the Convention. The duties assigned by the Bishop to the Bishop Coadjutor in any Diocese may be enlarged by mutual consent whenever the Bishop of the Diocese may desire to assign such additional duties to the Bishop Coadjutor. In case of the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue the aforesaid consent, the Standing Committee of the Diocese may request the Convention to act with-
out such consent, and such request shall be accompanied by certificates of medical men as to the inability of the Bishop of the Diocese to issue his written consent.

[ii.] In the case of a Bishop Coadjutor, the grounds for his election, as stated in the record of the Convention, shall be communicated, with the other required testimonials, to the General Convention, or to the Standing Committees and Bishops.

[iii.] In case of application for the ordination and consecration of a Bishop Coadjutor, the Standing Committee shall forward to the Presiding Bishop, in addition to the evidence and testimonials required by the preceding section, a certificate of the Presiding Officer and Secretary of the Convention that every requirement of this Section has been complied with.

(iv.) There shall not be in any Diocese at the same time more than one Bishop Coadjutor.

§ III. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop unless he shall at the time subscribe, in the presence of the ordaining and consecrating Bishops, the declaration required in Article VIII. of the Constitution.

§ IV. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

**CANON 14.**

Of Missionary Bishops.

§ I. The House of Bishops may establish Missionary Districts in States or Territories, or parts thereof, or in territory belonging to the United States, not organized into Dioceses, or in territory beyond the United States, not under the charge of Bishops in communion with this Church. It may also, from time to time, change, increase, or diminish the territory included in such Missionary Districts.
§ II. [i.] The House of Bishops may, from time to time, choose a suitable person or persons to be a Bishop or Bishops of this Church in Missionary Districts, such choice to be subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies during the session of the General Convention, and at other times to confirmation by a majority of the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses.

[ii.] When a vacancy shall occur in the Episcopate in any Missionary District within a Province, the President of the Province may convene the Synod of the Province prior to the meeting of the House of Bishops of the Church at which a Missionary Bishop for such Missionary District is to be elected. The Synod of the Province may thereupon nominate one person to the House of Bishops of the Church for that office. It shall be the duty of the President of the Province to transmit such nomination, if any be made, to the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops, who shall three weeks before the meeting of the House of Bishops communicate the same to the Bishops along with other nominations that have been made in accordance with the Rules of Order of the House. Each Province containing a Missionary District shall, by ordinance, provide the manner of convening the Synod and making such nomination. The foregoing provision for nomination by the Synod of the Province, shall not apply in the case of the election of Missionary Bishops for Districts in Alaska, the Canal Zone, or in any other region outside the continental boundaries of the United States, notwithstanding such Districts may be included in Provinces.

[iii.] The evidence of such choice shall be a certificate signed by the Bishop presiding in the House of Bishops and by its Secretary, with a testimonial, or certified copy thereof, signed by a
majority of the Bishops of the House, in the second form required in Canon 13, Section I., which shall be sent to the Presiding Officer of the House of Deputies, or to the Standing Committees of the several Dioceses, if the General Convention be not in session.

[iv.] When the Presiding Bishop shall have received a certificate signed by the President and Secretary of the House of Deputies (or certificates signed by the Presidents and Secretaries of a majority of the Standing Committees as the case may be), that the election has been approved, and shall have received notice of the acceptance by the Bishop elect of his election, he shall take order for the consecration of the said Bishop elect either by himself and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops of this Church to whom he may communicate the certificates and testimonial.

§ III. The House of Bishops shall have power, at their discretion, to transfer a Missionary Bishop from one Missionary District to another, and, in case of the permanent disability of the Bishop in charge, to declare the Missionary District vacant.

§ IV. Any Bishop or Bishops elected and consecrated under this Canon shall be entitled to a seat and vote in the House of Bishops, and shall be eligible to the office of Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor or Suffragan Bishop, in any organized Diocese within the United States; Provided, that such Bishop shall not be so eligible within five years from the date of his consecration, except to the Office of Bishop of a Diocese formed in whole or in part out of his Missionary District. And whenever a Diocese shall have been organized within the jurisdiction of such Missionary Bishop, if he shall be chosen Bishop of such Diocese, he may accept the office without vacating
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his Missionary appointment; *Provided*, that he continue to discharge the duties of Missionary Bishop within the residue of his original jurisdiction, if there be such residue, until the House of Bishops shall elect a Missionary Bishop of such residue.

§ V. [i.] When a Diocese, entitled to the choice of a Bishop, shall elect as its Diocesan, or as its Bishop Coadjutor, or Suffragan Bishop, a Missionary Bishop of this Church, if such election shall have taken place within three months before a meeting of the General Convention, evidence thereof shall be laid before each House of the General Convention, and the concurrence of each House, and its express consent, shall be necessary to the validity of said election, and shall complete the same; so that the Bishop thus elected shall be thereafter the Bishop of the Diocese which has elected him.

[ii.] If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process may be adopted, or the following instead thereof, viz.: The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary District within the United States; which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. On receiving this notice the Presiding Bishop shall certify to the Secretary of the House of Bishops the altered status and style of the Bishop concerned.
The Standing Committee of such Diocese shall transmit to every congregation thereof, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election thus completed, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

§ VI. In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Missionary District from other cause, the charge thereof shall devolve upon the Presiding Bishop with the power of appointing some other Bishop of this Church as his substitute in said charge until the vacancy is filled.

§ VII. If during the recess of the General Convention, and more than six months previous to its session, there shall be a vacancy in a Missionary District arising from any cause, the House of Bishops shall, on the written request of twelve members of the same, be convened by the Presiding Bishop; and thereupon may proceed to elect a Bishop for such District.

**CANON 15.**

**Of Suffragan Bishops.**

§ I. A Suffragan Bishop shall be elected in accordance with the Canons enacted in each Diocese for the election of a Bishop. But the initiative shall always be taken by the Bishop of the Diocese asking for the assistance of a Suffragan.

§ II. There shall not at any time be more than two Suffragan Bishops holding office in and for any Diocese, save by special consent of the General Convention previously obtained.

§ III. The House of Bishops, from time to time in its discretion, may choose a Suffragan Bishop for any Missionary District in the same manner as pro-
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The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing, or the Secretary of the House of Bishops, as the case may be, shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church in the United States who has a seat and vote in the House of Bishops, and to the Standing Committee of every Diocese.

On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned or the Secretary of the House of Bishops, as the case may be, shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary District within the United States; which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. On receiving this notice the Presiding Bishop shall certify to the Secretary of the House of Bishops the altered status and style of the Bishop concerned.

§ VII. No Suffragan Bishop, while acting as such, shall be Rector or settled Minister in charge of a Parish or congregation.

§ VIII. This Canon shall go into effect immediately.

CANON 16.

Of the Consecration of Bishops for Foreign Lands.

§ I. Pursuant to the provisions of Article III. of the Constitution the following conditions are prescribed as necessary to be fulfilled before the Presiding Bishop of this Church shall take order for a Consecration to the Episcopate authorized by that Article.
[i.] A person seeking to be ordained and consecrated a Bishop for a foreign land, within the purport of Article III. of the Constitution, must present to the Presiding Bishop of this Church a statement in writing subscribed by him setting forth his name, and the date and place of his birth; his Ecclesiastical and Civil status; whether he is in Priest's Orders, and, if so, the time and place and Episcopal source of his admission thereto, and to the Diaconate; the fact of his election or appointment, by a body of Christian people in a foreign land, to be, when duly ordained and consecrated, their Bishop; the corporate name under which such body is or desires and intends to be known as a distinct part of the Catholic Church of Christ; and the land wherein and the civil government under which it claims and purposes to exercise its jurisdiction as such; that the position of this body of Christian people in the land wherein they dwell is such as to justify its distinct organization as a Church therein; that the members of that body will receive the person consecrated for them by the Episcopate of this Church as a true and lawful Chief Pastor, will suitably maintain him as such, and will render to him all due canonical obedience in the exercise of his proper Episcopal functions; that by the lawful authority recognized in the body applying through him for the Episcopate there has been prescribed for use in that body a Book of Offices containing the Creeds commonly called the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds, together with forms for the Administration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, an Ordinal, an Office for the Administration of Confirmation by the Laying on of Hands, and an Order for the public reading of the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, in which Book the Faith and Order of the Church, as
this Church hath received the same, are clearly set forth and established as the Faith and Order of the Church in which the Episcopate is as aforesaid desired to be settled and maintained; and that the person presenting himself for consecration is, in his life and teaching, in entire conformity with the principles of such Faith and Order, that he is not justly liable to evil report for error in religion or viciousness of life, and that he has no knowledge of any impediment on account of which he ought not to be consecrated to the Office of a Bishop.

[ii.] In case a Bishop should already have been consecrated for a foreign land under the provisions of Article III. of the Constitution, and application should be made for the consecration of a second or of a third Bishop for the same country, the judgment in writing of the Bishop or Bishops already exercising jurisdiction in that land concerning the proposed consecration shall be presented to the Presiding Bishop together with the papers required in the foregoing clause.

[iii.] The applicant making the statement required in Clause [i.] shall with it present to the Presiding Bishop evidence fully substantiating the said statement in every particular thereof; and shall make such further statement, supported by such further evidence, as the Presiding Bishop may in the premises deem to be desirable or essential.

[iiv.] If the Presiding Bishop shall deem the statement so submitted, with the evidence substantiating the same, sufficient to justify the consideration of the application by the Bishops of this Church, he shall lay the whole record embodying such statement and evidence before the House of Bishops on the next occasion on which they may be duly convened as such, with the presence of a majority of all the
Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in that House.

§ II. If after consideration of the statement and evidence so presented, and of any other evidence of which they may be cognizant, a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops shall consent to the proposed ordination and consecration under the provisions of Article III. of the Constitution, the Presiding Bishop shall take order therefor in the same manner as order is prescribed to be taken by him in the consecration of Bishops in this Church, the Order of Consecration being conformed, as nearly as may be in the judgment of the Bishops consecrating, to that used in this Church.

§ III. Immediately after a consecration as herein provided shall have taken place, the Presiding Bishop shall lodge the original record of the statement and evidence above required, together with such other papers and documents as he may deem essential to the true and complete history of the proceedings, with the Registrar of the General Convention for preservation among the Archives of this Church.

CANON 17.

Of the Presiding Bishop.

§ I. Before a Presiding Bishop is elected a Joint Nominating Committee consisting of eight Bishops (one from each Province) together with four clerical and four lay members of the House of Deputies (one member from each Province) shall present to the House of Bishops the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop.

§ II. The Presiding Bishop, when elected according to the provisions of Article I., Section 3, of the
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Constitution, shall hold office for a term of six years, dating from the first day of January succeeding the General Convention at which he was elected.

§ III. The Presiding Bishop shall preside over meetings of the House of Bishops, and shall take order for the consecration of Bishops, when duly elected. He shall also perform all other duties prescribed for him by other Canons of the General Convention.

§ IV. The stipend of the Presiding Bishop and his necessary expenses shall be provided for in the budget approved by the General Convention.

CANON 18.

Of Duties of Bishops.

§ I. It shall be the duty of every Bishop of this Church to reside within the limits of his jurisdiction; nor shall he absent himself therefrom for more than three months without the consent of the Convention or the Standing Committee of the Diocese, or, in the case of a Missionary Bishop, without the consent of the Presiding Bishop.

§ II. [i.] Every Bishop shall visit the Congregations within his Diocese or Missionary District at least once in three years, for the purposes of examining their condition, inspecting the behavior of the Clergy, administering Confirmation, preaching the Word, and at his discretion celebrating the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

[ii.] If a Bishop shall for three years have declined to visit a Parish or Congregation, the Minister and Vestry [or the Corporation], or the Bishop, may apply to the Presiding Bishop to appoint the five Bishops in charge of Dioceses who live nearest to the Diocese in which such Church or Congregation may
be situated as a Council of Conciliation, who shall amicably determine all matters of difference between the parties, and each party shall conform to the decision of the Council in the premises; Provided, that in case of any subsequent trial of either party for failure to conform to such decision, any constitutional or canonical right of the defendant in the premises may be pleaded and established as a sufficient defense, notwithstanding such former decision; and, Provided, further, that in any case the Bishop may at any time apply for such Council of Conciliation. If the Presiding Bishop shall be the party within whose jurisdiction the Parish or Congregation may be, then the application shall be made to the Bishop next in seniority.

[iii.] Every Bishop shall keep a record of all his official acts, which record shall be the property of the Diocese, and shall be transmitted to his successor.

§ III. Every Bishop shall deliver, at least once in three years, a Charge to the Clergy of his Diocese or Missionary District, unless prevented by reasonable cause; and may, from time to time, address to the people of his Diocese or Missionary District Pastoral Letters on points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners, which he may require the Clergy to read to their congregations.

§ IV. At every Annual Convention or Convocation the Bishop shall make a statement of the affairs of the Diocese or Missionary District since the last meeting of the Convention or Convocation; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Holy Orders, and of those who have been ordained, and of those who have been by him suspended or deposed from the Ministry; the changes by death, removal,
or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and all matters tending to throw light upon the affairs of the Diocese or Missionary District; which statement shall be inserted in the Journal.

§ V. It shall be the duty of a Bishop, whenever leaving his Diocese or District for the space of six calendar months, to authorize, by writing, under his hand and seal, the Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee of the Diocese, or the Council of Advice of the District, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof during his absence. The Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee, may become at any time the Ecclesiastical Authority upon the written request of the Bishop, and continue to act as such until the request be revoked by him in writing.

§ VI. [i.] Any Bishop of this Church may, on the invitation of the Convention or of the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, or where the Bishop is for the time under a disability to perform Episcopal offices by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be for a stated period, and may be at any time revoked.

[ii.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under the provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or whose Bishop is under disability, until, in the case of a vacant Diocese a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; or in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disabled, until the disqualifi-
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Cation be removed; or, until, in either case, the said act of the Convention be revoked.

[iii.] A Diocese, while under the provisional charge of a Bishop, shall not invite any other Bishop to perform any Episcopal duty or exercise authority.

§ VII. [i.] If the Bishop of a Diocese, or a Bishop Coadjutor, shall desire to resign his jurisdiction, he shall send in writing to the Presiding Bishop his resignation with the reasons therefor. This communication shall be sent at least thirty days before the date set for a regular or a special meeting of the House of Bishops. The Presiding Bishop shall without delay send a copy of the communication to every Bishop of this Church having ecclesiastical jurisdiction, and also to the Standing Committee of the Diocese of the Bishop desiring to resign, in order that the Standing Committee may on behalf of the Diocese be heard either in person or by correspondence upon the subject. The House during its session shall investigate the whole case, and by a majority of those present accept or refuse the resignation.

[ii.] In case the resignation be sent to the Presiding Bishop at a time when no regular or special meeting of the House is about to be held, he shall exercise his discretion as to calling a special meeting.

[iii.] The House of Bishops may accept the resignation of a Missionary Bishop at any session of the House by a vote of not less than two-thirds of those present.

(iv.) In all cases of a proposed resignation, the House of Bishops shall cause their proceedings to be recorded in their Journal; and the resignation shall be completed when the vote of the House of Bishops, accepting the same, shall be so recorded. It shall then be the duty of the Presiding Officer of the House of Bishops to pronounce such resignation
complete, and to communicate the fact to the House of Deputies, if in session, and to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese and Missionary District.

[v.] In case of the acceptance of the resignation of a Missionary Bishop for cause of age or disability, he shall receive from the National Council a retiring allowance not less than one-half of his salary at the date of his resignation.

[vi.] A Bishop whose resignation has been accepted may perform Episcopal acts at the request of any Bishop of this Church, having ecclesiastical jurisdiction, within the limits of his jurisdiction.

[vii.] A Bishop who ceases to have Episcopal charge shall still be subject in all matters to the Canons and authority of the General Convention.

[viii.] A Bishop who has resigned his jurisdiction with the consent of the House of Bishops, may, at the discretion of the Bishop of the Diocese (or Missionary District) in which he chooses to reside, be enrolled among the clergy of that Diocese (or Missionary District), being transferred thereto from his former Diocese, and becoming subject to its Canons and regulations; and if he accept any pastoral charge or ministerial appointment within the Diocese (or Missionary District) he may be accorded a seat and vote in the Diocesan Convention (or Convocation) according to its canonical provisions for the qualification of Presbyters. The same shall apply to a resigned Bishop who continues to reside within the jurisdiction in which he formerly served as Bishop: Provided that, the Bishop seeking to be counted among the clergy of a Diocese and to sit in its Diocesan Convention is not at the same time exercising his right (under Article I, Section 2) to vote in the House of Bishops.
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### § VIII. In the event of the disability of the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop who, according to the Rules of the House of Bishops, becomes its Presiding Officer, shall be substituted for the Presiding Bishop for all the purposes of these Canons.

### CANON 19.

**Of Duties of Missionary Bishops.**

**§ I.** Missionary Bishops shall exercise jurisdiction in States and Territories, or parts thereof, or in territory belonging to the United States, not organized into Dioceses, or in any Missionary District of this Church, beyond the limits of the United States, in conformity with the Constitution and Canons of this Church, and under such regulations and instructions, not inconsistent therewith, as the House of Bishops may prescribe.

**§ II.** Notice shall be sent to all Archbishops and Metropolitans, and all Presiding Bishops of Churches in communion with this Church, of the designation of any Foreign Missionary District, and of the consecration of any Foreign Missionary Bishop. Such Bishop, either already consecrated or to be consecrated, shall exercise his mission within his defined District, and it is hereby declared as the judgment of this Church, that no two Bishops of Churches in communion with each other should exercise jurisdiction in the same place.

**§ III.** Every such Bishop shall report annually to the Presiding Bishop his proceedings, and the state and condition of the Church, within his Missionary District, such report to be transmitted by the Presiding Bishop to the National Council. Every such report shall state the amount contributed in each year by the said District for Episcopal support.
§ IV. [i.] On the formation of a Missionary District the Bishop consecrated therefor, or assigned thereto, shall, for the administration of his jurisdiction, adopt the Canons approved by the House of Bishops for Missionary Districts, or he may select the Constitution and Canons of one of the Dioceses of this Church, which shall remain in force, so far as applicable to the circumstances of such Missionary District, except so far as altered by the Bishop and Convocation from time to time with the approbation of the Presiding Bishop of the Church.

[ii.] Every Missionary Bishop shall appoint annually a Council of Advice, to be composed of not less than two or more than four Presbyters, and an equal number of Laymen, communicants of this Church, resident within his Missionary District, who shall perform the duties of a Standing Committee for such District, except in so far as these Canons otherwise provide, and who shall continue in office until their successors are appointed, and shall, so far as the circumstances of the District permit, be governed by the Constitution and Canons that have been adopted for such District.

CANON 20.
Of the Filling of Vacant Cures.

§ I. When a Parish or Congregation becomes vacant the Churchwardens or other proper officers shall notify the fact to the Bishop. If the authorities of the Parish shall for thirty days have failed to make provision for the services, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to take such measures as he may deem expedient for the temporary maintenance of Divine services therein.

§ II. No election of a Rector shall be had until the name of the Clergyman whom it is proposed to
 elect has been made known to the Bishop, if there be one, and sufficient time, not exceeding thirty days, has been given to him to communicate with the Vestry thereon.

§ III. Written notice of the election, signed by the Churchwardens, shall be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. If the Ecclesiastical Authority be satisfied that the person so chosen is a duly qualified Minister, and that he has accepted the office, the notice shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record it. And such record shall be sufficient evidence of the relation between the Minister and the Parish.

§ IV. A Minister is settled, for all purposes here or elsewhere mentioned in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently by any Parish, according to the rules of said Diocese, or for any term not less than one year.

§ V. In case of the election of an Assistant Minister, a certificate from the Rector and Wardens shall be sent to the Bishop.

CANON 21.

Of Ministers and Their Duties.

§ I. [i.] The control of the worship and the spiritual jurisdiction of the Parish, are vested in the Rector, subject to the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer, the Canons of the Church, and the godly counsel of the Bishop. All other Ministers of the Parish, by whatever name they may be designated, are to be regarded as under the authority of the Rector.

[ii.] For the purposes of his office and for the full and free discharge of all functions and duties pertaining thereto, the Rector shall, at all times,
be entitled to the use and control of the Church and Parish buildings with the appurtenances and furniture thereof.

[iii.] In a Missionary Cure the control and responsibility belong to the Priest who has been duly appointed to the charge thereof, subject to the authority of the Bishop.

§ II. [i.] It shall be the duty of Ministers of this Church who have charge of Parishes or Cures to be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, and from time to time to examine them in the same publicly before the Congregation. They shall also, by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, inform the youth and others in the Doctrines, Polity, History, and Liturgy of the Church. They shall also instruct all persons in their Parishes and Cures concerning all the missionary work of the Church at home and abroad, and give suitable opportunities for offerings to maintain that work.

[ii.] It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare young persons and others for Confirmation; and on notice being received from the Bishop of his intention to visit any Church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended visitation, the Minister shall announce the fact to the Congregation on the first Sunday after the receipt of such notice; and he shall be ready to present for Confirmation such persons as he shall judge to be qualified, and shall deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those to be confirmed.

[iii.] At every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Churchwardens, or Vestrymen, or of some other officer, to exhibit to the Bishop the Parish Register and to give informa-
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| **tion to him of the state of the Congregation, spiritual and temporal, under such heads as shall have been previously signified to them, in writing, by the Bishop.** |

| [iv.] The Alms and Contributions, not otherwise specifically designated, at the Administration of the Holy Communion on one Sunday in each calendar month, and other offerings for the poor, shall be deposited with the Minister of the Parish, or with such Church officer as shall be appointed by him, to be applied by the Minister, or under his superintendence, to such pious and charitable uses as shall by him be thought fit. During a vacancy the Vestry shall appoint a responsible person to serve as Almoner. |

| [v.] Whenever the House of Bishops shall put forth a Pastoral Letter, it shall be the duty of every Minister having a pastoral charge to read it to his Congregation on some occasion of public worship on a Lord's Day, not later than one month after the receipt of the same. |

| § III. [i.] It shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to record in the Parish Register all Baptisms, Confirmations, Marriages, Burials, and the names of all Communicants within his Cure. |

| [ii.] The registry of every Baptism shall be signed by the officiating Minister. |

| [iii.] Every Minister of this Church shall make out and continue, as far as practicable, a list of all families and adult persons within his Cure, to remain in the Parish for the use of his successor. |

| § IV. [i.] No Minister of this Church shall officiate, either by preaching, reading prayers in public worship, or by performing any other |
priestly or ministerial function, in the Parish, or within the Cure, of another Minister, without the consent of the Minister of that Parish or Cure; or of one of its Churchwardens if, in his absence or disability, the Minister fail to provide for the stated services of such Parish or Cure.

If there be two or more Congregations or Churches in one Cure, as provided by Canon 57, Section III. [ii.], the consent of the majority of the Ministers of such Congregations or Churches, or of the Bishop, shall be sufficient; Provided, that nothing in this Section shall be construed to prevent any Clergyman of this Church from officiating, with the consent of a Minister, in the Church or place of public worship used by the Congregation of such Minister, or in private for members of his Congregation; or, in his absence, with the consent of the Churchwardens or Trustees of such Congregation; and Provided, moreover, that the license of the Ecclesiastical Authority required in § V. [iii.] be first obtained when necessary.

This rule shall not apply to any Church, Chapel, or Oratory, which is part of the premises of an incorporated institution, created by legislative authority, provided that such place of worship is designed and set apart for the convenience and uses of such institution, and not as a place for public or parochial worship.

[ii.] If any Minister of this Church, from disability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services in his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other duly qualified Minister of this Church to officiate within his Cure, the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation shall, on proof before the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or
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Missionary District of such neglect or refusal, have power, with the written consent of the said authority, to permit any duly qualified Minister of this Church to officiate.

§ V. [i.] A Minister of this Church removing into a Diocese or Missionary District shall, in order to gain canonical residence within the same, present to the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof, a testimonial from the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he last had canonical residence, which testimonial shall set forth his true standing and character. The said testimonial shall be given by the Ecclesiastical Authority to the applicant, and a duplicate thereof may be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District to which he proposes to remove. The testimonial may be in the following words:

I hereby certify that the Reverend A. B., who has signified to me his desire to be transferred to the Ecclesiastical Authority of is a Presbyter [or Deacon] of in good standing, and has not, so far as I know or believe, been justly liable to evil report, for error in religion or for viciousness of life, for three years last past.

(Signed)

[ii.] Such testimonial shall be called Letters Dimissory. The canonical residence of the Minister so transferred shall date from the acceptance of his Letters Dimissory, of which prompt notice shall be given both to the applicant and to the Ecclesiastical Authority from which it came.

[iii.] Letters Dimissory not presented within six months from the date of their transmission to the
applicant shall become wholly void. No Minister shall officiate more than two months, by preaching, ministering the Sacraments, or holding any public service, within the limits of any Diocese or Missionary District other than that in which he is canonically resident, without a license from the Ecclesiastical Authority.

[iv.] If a Minister, removing into another Diocese, who has been called to a Cure in a Parish or Congregation, shall present Letters Dimissory in the form above given, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese to which he has removed, to accept them within three months, unless the Bishop or Standing Committee shall have heard rumors, which he or they believe to be well founded, against the character of the Minister concerned, which would form a proper ground of canonical inquiry and presentment, in which case the Ecclesiastical Authority shall communicate the same to the Bishop or Standing Committee of the Diocese to whose jurisdiction the said Minister belongs; and in such case, it shall not be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to accept the Letters Dimissory unless and until the Minister shall be exculpated from the said charge.

[v.] No Minister, removing from one Diocese or Missionary District to another, shall officiate as Rector or Minister of any Parish or Congregation of the Diocese or District to which he removes, until he shall have obtained from the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof a certificate in the words following:

I hereby certify that the Reverend A. B. has been canonically transferred to my jurisdiction and is a Minister in good standing.

(Signed)
[vi.] No person who has been refused Ordination or reception as a Candidate in any Diocese or Missionary District, and who has afterwards been ordained in another Diocese or Missionary District, shall be transferred to the Diocese or Missionary District in which such refusal has taken place without the consent of its Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority.

[vii.] No person who has been ordained under the provisions of Canon 5 shall be transferred to another Diocese or Missionary District, save as provided in the said Canon.

CANON 22.
Of Deacons.

§ I. Every Deacon shall be subject to the direction of the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District for which he has been ordained, or, if there be no Bishop, to that of the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, acting by their President, until he is canonically transferred to some other jurisdiction. He shall officiate in such places only as the Bishop, or the Clerical members of the Standing Committee, as the case may be, may designate. He shall not accept any appointment for work outside the Diocese to which he canonically belongs without the written consent both of his own Bishop and of the Bishop in whose Diocese he desires to minister.

§ II. No Deacon who shall not have passed the examinations prescribed in Canon 4 shall be transferred to another jurisdiction without the written request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the same.

§ III. [i.] No Deacon shall be a Rector of a Parish or Congregation, nor be permitted to accept a Chaplaincy in the Army or Navy.

[ii.] A Deacon ministering in a Parish or Congregation under the charge of a Priest, shall act...
under the direction of such Priest in all his ministrations.

[iii.] A Deacon ministering in a Parish or Congregation not under the charge of a Priest, shall, if not under the immediate direction of the Bishop, be placed under the authority of some neighboring Priest, by whose direction in subordination to the Bishop, he shall in all things be governed.

CANON 23.
Of Persons not Ministers in this Church Officiating in any Congregation Thereof.

No Minister in charge of any Congregation of this Church, or, in case of vacancy or absence, no Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, shall permit any person to officiate therein, without sufficient evidence of his being duly licensed or ordained to minister in this Church; Provided, that nothing herein shall be so construed as to forbid communicants of the Church to act as Lay Readers; or to prevent the Bishop of any Diocese or Missionary District from giving permission to Christian men, who are not Ministers of this Church, to make addresses in the Church, on special occasions.

CANON 24.
Of Deaconesses.

§ I. A woman of devout character and approved fitness, unmarried or widowed, may be admitted a Deaconess by any Bishop having jurisdiction in this Church. A Deaconess who marries shall not continue to exercise her office.

§ II. The duty of a Deaconess is to teach the unlearned, to instruct youth, to care for the sick, to comfort the afflicted, to supply the wants of the poor and needy and to labor in all ways for the extension of the Church of Christ.
§ III. No one shall be admitted a Deaconess until she is twenty-five years of age; Provided, that this article shall not apply to those who began their training prior to January 1st, 1926.

§ IV. (a) A woman desiring reception as candidate for the office of Deaconess shall submit to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District letters of recommendation from her Rector and from two women communicants of the Church, together with evidence that she is a communicant of the Church in good standing; and a graduate of a High School, or of a school with standards equivalent to a High School; or is prepared to take such examinations as shall qualify her for reception.

(b) During the period of candidacy, she shall be under the supervision of the Bishop, and shall report to him quarterly at the Ember seasons. If possible at least one-half of the time of her preparation shall be spent in residence with Deaconesses, or at a Church Training School.

(c) No one shall be admitted a Deaconess within two years from her reception as a candidate, unless the Bishop, with the advice and consent of a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, shall shorten the time of her candidateship; but the time shall not be shortened to less than one year.

§ V. No woman shall be admitted a Deaconess until she shall have laid before the Bishop testimonials showing that she is a communicant of this Church, in good standing, and that she possesses such characteristics as, in the judgment of the persons testifying, fit her for the duties of her office. The testimonials of fitness shall be signed by four presbyters of this Church, and eight lay communicants, six of whom
shall be women. For due cause a Bishop may remove the name from the list of candidates.

§ VI. A candidate for the Office of Deaconess shall be required to pass an examination on subjects prescribed in this Canon. This examination shall be conducted by examiners appointed by the Bishop. The results of the examination shall be certified to the Bishop and Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the Diocese or Missionary District.

§ VII. A candidate for the Office of Deaconess shall be required to furnish evidence that she has had at least nine months of field work under competent supervision, or satisfactory previous experience in social service, educational, parish or mission work; and shall also sustain satisfactory examination in the following subjects:

1. *Holy Scripture.* The Bible in English; introduction to and contents of the various books; special knowledge of at least one Gospel and one Epistle.

2. *Church History.* A general outline, including the History of the Church in the United States, and special knowledge of the first five centuries.


5. *Ministration.* The office and work of a Deaconess; Parish Work and Organization.

6. *Religious Education.* Psychology; Educational methods; Church School Management.

7. *Social Service.* Principles involved in the adjustment of individuals to each other and to the community; the methods of social case work; familiarity
§ VIII. When the requirements specified have been complied with, the Bishop may admit a candidate as Deaconess. The Bishop must have received the recommendation of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the Diocese, or Missionary District, to which the candidate belongs.

§ IX. No woman shall be recognized as Deaconess until she has been admitted to that office by a Bishop in accordance with a service prescribed either by the General Convention, or, in the absence of such prescription, by the Bishop of the Diocese, or Missionary District.

§ X. A Deaconess shall not accept work in a Diocese or Missionary District without the express authority in writing of the Bishop of that Diocese or Missionary District; nor shall she undertake work in a Parish without the like authority from the Rector of the Parish. No candidate shall be admitted as Deaconess until she shall have been appointed to serve in some position under the jurisdiction of the Church.

§ XI. When not connected with a Parish, the Deaconess shall be under the direct oversight of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District to which she is canonically attached. A Deaconess may be transferred from one Diocese or Missionary District to another by Letters Dimissory. A Deaconess may at any time resign her office to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which she is canonically resident, but she may not be suspended or removed from office except by the Bishop for cause. A Deaconess thus suspended or removed may demand a trial by a special Court, to
be composed of two Clergymen, one lay male communicant and three women communicants of this Church, of whom two shall preferably be Deaconesses. The members of this Court shall be chosen by the Standing Committee, or Council of Advice. The procedure of the Court shall be according to the rules governing the trial of a clergyman in the Diocese or Missionary District in which the Deaconess is canonically resident.

CANON 25.

Of Religious Communities.

§ I. A religious community of men or of women desiring the official recognition of the Church shall submit for his approval its Rule and Constitution to the Bishop of the Diocese wherein the Mother-house of the community is situated; and no change in the Rule or Constitution shall be made without his approval.

§ II. In such Constitution there shall be a distinct recognition of the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church as of supreme authority.

§ III. No religious community shall establish itself in another Diocese without permission of the Bishop of that Diocese.

§ IV. The community may elect a Chaplain, but if he be a Priest who is not canonically resident in the Diocese, he must be licensed by the Bishop. Any Priest ministering in a chapel of a religious community shall be responsible to the Bishop of the Diocese for his ministrations, in the same manner as a parochial Clergyman.

§ V. In the administration of the Sacraments the Book of Common Prayer shall be used without altera-
§ VI. It shall be provided in the Constitution of a religious community that real estate and endowments belonging to the community shall be held in trust for the community as a body in communion with this Church.

§ VII. Members of a religious community who are in Holy Orders shall be subject to all canonical regulations concerning the Clergy.

§ VIII. Provision shall be made in the Constitution for the appointment of a Visitor, with the approval of the Bishop of the Diocese in which the Mother-house is situated, if the Bishop is himself unwilling to serve in such capacity. It shall be the duty of the Visitor to see that the Constitution and Rule, as approved, are duly observed, and to receive and hear appeals either from the community or from individual members thereof as to transgressions of the Rule. No full member of a community shall be dismissed therefrom without appeal to the Visitor, nor shall any be released from his or her obligations thereto without the Visitor’s sanction.

§ IX. It shall not be within the power of a succeeding Bishop to withdraw the official recognition that has been given to a Religious Community, provided, that the conditions laid down in this Canon are observed.

CANON 26.
Of Lay Readers.

§ I. A competent person ready and desirous to serve the Church in the public services statedly as a Lay Reader must procure from the Bishop or Eccle-
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The Canons of the Church require that a Lay Reader must have the approval of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District before they are allowed to serve in this capacity. Such a license must be written and granted to any but a male communicant of this Church. It must be for a definite period, not longer than one year, but may be renewed from time to time, or revoked at any time. A license may be given for any vacant Parish or Mission, or for a Congregation without a Minister, where a Presbyter is in charge, his request and recommendation must have been previously signified to the Ecclesiastical Authority. A license shall not be granted for conducting the service in a Congregation without a Minister, which is able and has had reasonable opportunity to secure the services of an ordained Minister. If the Lay Reader be a student in any Theological Seminary, he shall also, before acting as such, obtain the permission of the presiding officer of such institution and of his own Bishop.

§ II. A Lay Reader shall be subject to the regulations prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority, and shall not serve in any Diocese other than that in which he is licensed, unless he shall have received a license from the Bishop of the Diocese in which he desires to serve.

§ III. In all matters relating to the conduct of the service, and to the Sermons or Homilies to be read, he shall conform to the directions of the Minister in charge of the Parish, Congregation, or Mission in which he is serving, and, in all cases, to the directions of the Bishop. He shall read only the Morning and Evening Prayer (omitting the Absolution), the Litany, and the Office for the Burial of the Dead. He shall not deliver sermons or addresses of his own composition, unless, after instruction and examination, he be specially licensed thereto for urgent needs by the Bishop. He shall not wear the...
dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the Congregation.

**CANON 27.**

**Of Amenability and Citations.**

§ I. A Minister shall be amenable for offences committed by him, to the Bishop, and, if there be no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident at the time the charge is made.

§ II. Unless a Diocesan Convention shall otherwise provide, and except in so far as otherwise ordered in the Canon relating to the trial of a Bishop, a notice or citation required by any law of this Church to any Minister to appear, at a certain time and place, for the trial of an offence, shall be deemed to be duly served upon him if a copy thereof be given him personally or be left at his last usual place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day of appearance named therein; and in case such Minister has departed from the United States, if a copy of such citation be also published once a week for six successive weeks in such newspaper printed in the Diocese or Missionary District in which the Minister is cited to appear as the Ecclesiastical Authority shall designate, the last publication to be six months before the said day of appearance. Acceptance of service will render unnecessary any further process of citation.

§ III. A notice or citation, other than those above mentioned, required by any law of this Church, when no other mode of service is provided, may be served personally, or by registered mail, addressed to the person to be served, at his last known place of

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residence, or by leaving a copy at his last usual place of abode within the United States.

§ IV. It is hereby declared to be the duty of all members of this Church to attend and give evidence, when duly cited in any Ecclesiastical trial or investigation under the authority of this Church.

§ V. In the case of a Minister convicted in a Court of Record of any crime or misdemeanor involving immorality, or against whom a judgment has been entered in a Court of Record, in a cause involving immorality, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or of the Council of Advice of the Missionary District to which he canonically belongs, to institute an inquiry into the matter. If, in their judgment, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to cause that he be presented, for trial.

**CANON 28.**

Of Offences for Which Bishops, Priests, or Deacons May Be Tried.

§ I. A Bishop, Priest, or Deacon of this Church shall be liable to presentment and trial for the following offences, viz.:

- (a) Crime or immorality.
- (b) Holding and teaching publicly or privately, and advisedly, any doctrine contrary to that held by this Church.
- (c) Violation of the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer.
- (d) Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention.
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(e) Violation of the Constitution or Canons of the Diocese or Missionary District to which he belongs.

(f) Any act which involves a violation of his Ordination vows.

(g) Habitual neglect of the exercise of his Ministerial Office, without cause; or habitual neglect of Public Worship, and of the Holy Communion, according to the order and use of this Church.

(h) Conduct unbecoming a Clergyman, *Provided,* that, in case of a charge of conduct unbecoming a Clergyman, before proceeding to a presentment, the consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice shall be required.

And *Provided, further,* that in every such case the Standing Committee or Council of Advice shall first give to the accused Clergyman reasonable opportunity to appear and to be heard, with or without counsel.

On being found guilty, he shall be admonished, or shall be suspended or deposed from the Ministry, as shall be adjudged by the Trial Court, except as provided in Canon 40, § III.

§ II. No presentment shall be made or conviction had for any offense, unless the offense shall have been committed within five years immediately preceding the time of the presentment. But if the accused shall have been convicted of the alleged offense in any Court of Record exercising criminal jurisdiction, notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since its commission, a presentment may be made at any time within one year after such conviction.
CANON 29.

Of the Court for the Trial of a Bishop.

§ I. [i.] There shall be a Court for the trial of a Bishop constituted as follows: the House of Bishops, upon the adoption of this Canon, shall choose three Bishops to serve as Judges of said Court for the term of three years; three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for the term of six years, and three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for the term of nine years; and thereafter, at each General Convention, the House of Bishops shall choose three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for the term of nine years in place of those whose term of office shall then have expired; Provided, that if, during the trial of any case before said Court, the term of office of any of the Judges sitting on the said trial shall expire, the said Judge shall nevertheless be competent to act in the case until the termination of the trial.

[ii.] Upon the occurrence of a vacancy in said Court by death or otherwise, the remaining Judges shall have power to fill such vacancy, until the next General Convention, when the House of Bishops shall choose a Bishop to fill such vacancy, the Bishop so chosen to serve during the residue of the term, if any there be.

[iii.] Not less than six of said Judges shall constitute a quorum, but any less number may adjourn the Court from time to time.

§ II. The said Court shall from time to time elect from its own members a President, who shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which he was chosen Judge. The said Court shall appoint a Clerk, and, if necessary, an Assistant Clerk, who shall be Presbyters of this Church, to serve during the pleasure of the Court.
§ III. The Court may establish rules of procedure not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons of this Church, with power to alter or rescind the same.

§ IV. If in a proceeding before said Court any of the Bishops composing it shall be an accuser or the accused, or shall be related to either by consanguinity or affinity in the direct ascending or descending line, or as brother, uncle, nephew, or first cousin, he shall not be competent to act in such case. If, by reason of any disability, a quorum cannot be had, the Bishops competent to act shall choose a Bishop or Bishops to complete the quorum for such proceeding in place of the Bishop or Bishops unable to act.

§ V. If, in a proceeding before said Court, the President is disqualified, or is for any cause unable to act in the case, the Court shall elect a President pro tempore.

§ VI. Whenever there shall be a trial before said Court, the Court shall appoint not less than two nor more than three lay communicants of this Church, learned in the law, as Assessors; but they shall have no vote in any case. It shall be their duty to give the Court an opinion on any question not theological, upon which the Court or any member thereof, or either party, shall desire an opinion. If a question shall arise, as to whether any question be or be not theological, it shall be decided by the Court by a majority of votes.

CANON 30.

Of the Mode of Presenting a Bishop for Trial.

§ I. The presentment of a Bishop for holding and teaching publicly or privately and advisedly doc-
trine contrary to that held by this Church, shall be made by any three Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction.

Such presentment shall be in writing, signed and verified by the Bishops presenting, and shall be delivered to the Presiding Bishop.

A lay communicant of this Church, of the profession of the law, shall be appointed by the Bishops making presentment, to act as Church Advocate and as the legal adviser of such Bishops.

§ II. A Bishop may be charged with any one or more of the offences specified in Canon 28, other than that of holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, by ten or more male communicants of this Church in good standing, of whom at least two shall be Presbyters. One Presbyter and not less than six communicants shall belong to the Diocese or Missionary District of the accused, or, in case the accused have no jurisdiction, to the Diocese or District in which he has domicile. Such charges shall be in writing, signed by all the accusers, sworn to by two or more of them, and shall be presented to the Presiding Bishop. The grounds of accusation must be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, place, and circumstance.

§ III. Whenever a Bishop shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports, or allegations affecting his moral or religious character, he may, acting in conformity with the written advice and consent of any two Bishops of this Church, demand in writing of the Presiding Bishop that investigation of said rumors, reports and allegations be made.

§ IV. The Presiding Bishop, upon the receipt of such written charges or such written demand, shall
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<td>summon not less than three nor more than seven Bishops, and, unless a majority of them shall determine that such charges, if proved, would constitute no canonical offence, they shall select a Board of Inquiry of five Presbyters and five Laymen, none of whom shall belong to the Diocese of the accused, of whom eight shall form a quorum, and shall also appoint a lay communicant of this Church of the profession of the law as Church Advocate and legal adviser of the Board.</td>
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<td>The Board of Inquiry shall investigate such charges, or the said rumors or reports, as the case may be. In conducting the investigation, the Board shall hear the accusations and such proof as the accusers may produce, and shall determine whether, upon matters of law and of fact, as presented to them, there is sufficient ground to put the accused Bishop on his trial. In such investigations, as well as in all cases of trial by an Ecclesiastical Court now authorized, or hereafter to be authorized, by the Constitution or Canons of the General Convention, the laws of the State in which such investigation or trial is had, so far as they relate to the law of evidence, shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which the said Board or Court shall be governed.</td>
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If any Presbyter appointed under this section shall become a Bishop, or any Layman so appointed shall become a Presbyter, before the final disposition of the charges, he shall thereby vacate his place as member of the Board.

In case of the death, resignation, disqualification or inability of any member of the Board to act, the Presiding Bishop, upon being advised of such disqualification or disability, shall appoint another Presbyter or another Layman, as the case may be, to act as member of the Board. Upon acceptance of the appointment, such person shall become a member of the Board. All of the proceedings in the case in which any person shall have been so appointed a member of the Board, shall continue and shall be completed in the same manner and with the same effect as though such person had been appointed originally a member of such Board of Inquiry.

§ V. If in the judgment of the majority of the whole Board of Inquiry, there is sufficient ground to put the said Bishop upon trial, they shall cause the Church Advocate to prepare a presentment, which shall be signed by such of the Board as shall agree thereto, and which shall be transmitted with the certificate of the determination of the Board to the Presiding Bishop.

If a majority of the whole Board shall determine that there is not sufficient ground to present the accused Bishop for trial, it shall forward the charges and a certificate of the finding thereon to the Presiding Bishop. He shall send the same to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, by him to be deposited in the archives of the House; and a true copy of these papers shall be given to the accused Bishop. No further proceeding shall be had by way of presentment on such charges, except that any communicant
of this Church in good standing may make and present to the Presiding Bishop his affidavit alleging the discovery of new evidence as to the facts charged and setting forth what such evidence is; and upon the receipt thereof the Presiding Bishop shall decide whether the affidavit does or does not state grounds which in his opinion are sufficient for reopening the case. If the Presiding Bishop shall be of opinion that the affidavit states grounds sufficient to justify reopening the case, he shall reconvene the Board, which shall determine, first, whether as matter of fact the evidence set forth in such affidavit is really new evidence and not merely cumulative; and if the Board shall find that the evidence so tendered is new, it shall proceed to receive and to consider any such evidence, and any further evidence that it may deem proper to receive; and in the light of all the evidence the Board shall determine whether there are sufficient grounds for presentment. If the Board, by a majority of its members, shall decide that there is any such sufficient ground, it shall certify its decision as in this Canon is before provided.

§ VI. In case a majority of the whole Board shall fail to find either that there is, or that there is not, sufficient ground to present the accused Bishop for trial, it shall certify the fact of its inability to agree upon any such finding, to the Presiding Bishop, who, at the request of the accused Bishop, may select a new Board in the manner provided in Section IV., who shall consider the case de novo.

§ VII. In case any presentment shall be made to the Presiding Bishop as hereinbefore provided, he shall at once transmit the same to the President of the Court for the trial of a Bishop, and shall cause a true copy of the presentment to be served upon the accused Bishop, either in person or by mailing the
same by registered mail addressed to him at his place of residence.

§ VIII. In case the Presiding Bishop shall be either an accuser or the accused, or shall otherwise be disabled, his duties under this Canon shall be performed by the Bishop who, according to the rules of the House of Bishops, becomes its Presiding Officer in case of the disability of the Presiding Bishop.

CANON 31.

Of the Trial of a Bishop.

§ I. [i.] When the President of the Court for the Trial of a Bishop shall receive a presentment, he shall call the Court to meet at a certain time and place, said time not to be less than two nor more than six calendar months from the day of mailing such notice, and at a place within the Diocese or Missionary District of the accused Bishop, unless the same be of such difficult access, in the judgment of the President of the Court, that reasonable convenience require the appointment of another place. With said notice, he shall send to each member of the Court a copy of the presentment.

[ii.] He shall also summon the accused to appear at the same time and place to answer the said presentment, and shall also give notice of the said time and place to the Church Advocate, who shall in all stages of the trial represent the Church. The President, or any other member of the Court, shall, upon the application of either the Church Advocate or the accused, issue a summons for witnesses.

§ II. [i.] At the time and place appointed, a quorum of the Court being present, the President shall declare the Court open for hearing the case;
and when thus open, he shall direct the Clerk to call the names of the Church Advocate and the accused; and if both appear, he shall then cause the Clerk to read the presentment.

[ii.] The accused shall then be called upon by the Court to plead to the presentment and his pleas shall be duly recorded; and on his neglect or refusal to plead, the plea of not guilty shall be entered for him, and the trial shall proceed; Provided, that for sufficient cause the Court may adjourn from time to time; and Provided, also, that the accused shall, at all times during the trial, have liberty to be present, and in due time and order to produce his testimony and to make his defence.

[iii.] If the accused fail or refuse to appear in person, according to the notice served on him as aforesaid, except for reasonable cause to be allowed by the Court, it shall pronounce him in contumacy, and give him notice that sentence of suspension or deposition will be pronounced against him by the Court at the expiration of three months, unless at that time he shall appear and take his trial upon the presentment. If he do not so tender himself for trial, sentence of suspension, or of deposition from the Ministry may be pronounced upon him by the Court.

§ III. The accused being present and the trial proceeding, it shall be conducted according to the principles of the Common Law, as the same is generally administered in the United States; and the laws of the State in which such trial is held, so far as they relate to the law of evidence, shall be adopted, and taken as the rules by which said Court shall be governed; and the accused shall in all cases have the right to be a witness on his own behalf, subject to cross-examination in the same manner as
any other witness. No testimony shall be received at the trial, except from witnesses who have signed a declaration in the following words, to be read aloud before the witness testifies and to be filed with the records of the Court.

I, A. B., a witness summoned to testify on the trial of a presentment against Right Reverend a Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, now pending, do most solemnly call God to witness that the evidence I am about to give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth; so help me God.

And if it be necessary to take the testimony of an absent witness on a commission, such testimony shall be preceded by a similar written declaration of the witness, which shall be filed and transmitted with his or her deposition to the Court. The testimony of each witness shall be reduced to writing. And in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of any witness on the trial cannot be obtained, it shall be lawful for either party to apply to the Court, if in session, or, if not, to any member thereof, who shall thereupon appoint a Commissioner to take the deposition of such witness; and such party so desiring to take the deposition shall give to the other party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking such deposition, accompanying such notice with the interrogatories to be propounded to the witness: whereupon, it shall be lawful for the other party, within six days after such notice, to propound cross-interrogatories; and such interrogatories and cross-interrogatories, if any be propounded, shall be sent to the Commissioner, who shall thereupon proceed to take the testimony of such witness, and transmit it under seal to the Court. But no deposition shall be read at the trial, unless the Court have reasonable
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<td>Assured that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, or unless both parties shall consent that it may be read; Provided, that in any Diocese in which the civil government has authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts therein to issue summons for witnesses, or to administer an oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such laws.</td>
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§ IV. All notices and papers may be served by a summoner or summoners, to be appointed by the Court, or by any member thereof; and the certificate of any such summoner shall be evidence of the due service of a notice or paper. In case of service by any other person, the fact may be proved by the affidavit of such person. The delivery of a written notice or paper to the accused party, or to the Church Advocate, or the leaving of it, or a copy thereof, at the residence, or last known residence, of either, shall be deemed sufficient service of such notice or paper on the Church Advocate and accused, respectively. If the person to be served with any notice or paper shall have left the United States, it shall be a sufficient service thereof to leave a copy of such notice or paper at his last place of abode within the United States, sixty days before the day in which the appearance, or other act required by the said notice or paper, is to be performed.

§ V. The accused party may, if he think proper, have the aid of counsel of his own selection; and if he should choose to have more than one counsel, the Church Advocate may have assistant Advocates, to be named by the accusers; but in every case, the Court may regulate the number of counsel who shall address the Court, or examine witnesses. The Church Advocate shall be considered the party on one side, and the accused the party on the other. All counsel must be communicants of the Church.
§ VI. [i.] The Court, having fully heard the allegations and proofs of the parties, and having deliberately considered the same after the parties have withdrawn, every member of the Court sitting in the cause shall declare whether in his opinion the accused is guilty or not guilty, and with respect to each particular charge and specification contained in the presentment; and the accused shall be deemed not guilty upon every charge and specification upon which he shall not be pronounced guilty by a majority of the members of the Court sitting in the cause.

[ii.] The decision of the Court as to all the charges and specifications shall be reduced to writing, and signed by those who assent to it; and the decision signed shall be regarded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be pronounced in the presence of the parties, if they shall think proper to attend.

[iii.] A Bishop found guilty upon a presentment for crime or immorality shall not, after the rendering of such judgment, and while the same continues unreversed, perform any Episcopal or Ministerial functions, except such as relate to the administration of the temporal affairs of his Diocese or Missionary District.

§ VII. [i.] If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, the Court shall proceed to ask him whether he has anything to say before sentence is passed, and may, in its discretion, give him time to prepare what he wishes to say, and appoint a time for passing the sentence, which time shall be at least sixty days from the date of the judgment, unless the accused shall, in writing, waive his right of appeal. Before passing sentence, the Court may adjourn from time to time, and give the accused reasonable opportunity of showing cause to induce a
### § VIII. [i.] During the trial, exceptions in writing may be taken by either side to the admission or exclusion of evidence, or to any ruling of the Court, and such exceptions shall form part of the record of the case. The Court shall keep a full record of its proceedings, including the evidence given before it.

### [ii.] Such record shall be kept by the Clerk, and inserted in a book to be attested by the signature of the President and Clerk. The record shall be in the custody of the Clerk, and shall be kept in the depositary of the Registrar of the General Convention, and shall be open to the inspection of every member of this Church.
§ IX. Every trial shall be public if the accused shall so request.

§ X. The necessary charges and expenses of the Church Advocate and of the proceedings before the Board of Inquiry and at the trial shall be paid by the Treasurer of the General Convention on the order of the Presiding Bishop.

CANON 32.

Of the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop.

§ I. There shall be a Court for the Review of the determination of the Trial Court of a Bishop, which shall be composed of Bishops only, and which shall be constituted as hereinafter provided.

§ II. Upon the adoption of this Canon, the House of Bishops shall choose three Bishops to serve as Judges of the Court for the Review of the trial of a Bishop for the term of three years, three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for the term of six years, and three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for the term of nine years, and thereafter at each General Convention the House of Bishops shall choose three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for a term of nine years in place of those whose term of office shall then have expired; Provided, that if during the hearing of any appeal before said Court of Review, the term of office of any of the Judges sitting on the said appeal shall expire, the said Judge nevertheless shall be competent and may continue to act upon the said appeal until the final determination thereof.

§ III. No Bishop shall sit as a member of said Court on the hearing on appeal who is related to the accused, either by affinity or consanguinity in a
§ IV. The death, permanent disability, resignation, or refusal to serve as a member of the Court of Review shall constitute a vacancy in the Court. A resignation shall be made by written notice to the Presiding Bishop. Upon the occurrence of a vacancy, the remaining Judges shall have power to fill such vacancy until the next General Convention, when the House of Bishops shall choose a Bishop to fill such vacancy, the Bishop so chosen to serve during the residue of the term, if any there be. In case of the disqualification of any Judge as provided in the preceding Section, the remaining Judges may appoint a Judge to take the place of the one so disqualified on such appeal. All the provisions of this Canon, or of Canon 29, relating to Bishops originally appointed as members of the Court, shall apply to Bishops appointed under this Section, and all proceedings which may have been taken upon any appeal pending at or prior to such appointment, shall have the same force and effect as if the appointee had been a member of the Court when such proceedings were taken and such appointee may participate in the continuing, hearing and determination of such appeal.

§ V. The Court may adjourn from time to time, as convenience may require, by the vote of a majority of the Judges in attendance upon any duly convened session of the Court. For any and all other purposes a quorum of the Court shall consist of six Judges, and the concurrence of six Judges, shall be necessary to pronounce a judgment.
§ VI. From time to time the said Court shall elect one of its members to be President, who shall hold such office during the term for which he is chosen Judge, and also shall appoint a Presbyter of this Church to be Clerk, to serve during the pleasure of the Court.

§ VII. From time to time the Court may appoint a Church Advocate with or without assistants, all of whom shall be communicants of the Church, to appear in behalf of the Church upon any appeal. The Church Advocate then shall be considered the party on one side and the accused the party on the other. The Court shall allow the accused to be heard in person, or by counsel of his own selection, provided every such counsel shall be a communicant of this Church.

§ VIII. The Court may establish rules and procedure not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons of this Church, with power to alter or rescind the same. The Court shall keep a record of all its proceedings.

§ IX. Every hearing shall be public, if the accused shall so request.

§ X. The necessary charges and expenses of the Church Advocate and of the Court of Review, shall be paid by the Treasurer of the General Convention on the order of the Presiding Bishop.

§ XI. The said Court of Review is vested with jurisdiction to hear and determine appeals from the determination of the Trial Court on the trial of a Bishop; and the determination of such Court shall be final unless modified or reversed by the determination of an ultimate Court of Appeal, established by the General Convention under the provisions of Article IX. of the Constitution.
§ I. A Bishop found guilty of any offence shall have the right to appeal from the judgment of the Trial Court to the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop; and in the case of a Bishop presented for holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, the Church Advocate shall have a like right of appeal.

§ II. Unless within sixty days from the date of entry of judgment in the Trial Court the appellant shall have given notice of the appeal, in writing, to said Court, to the party against whom the appeal is taken, and to the President of the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop, assigning in said notice the reason of appeal, he shall be held to have waived the right of appeal, although in its discretion the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop may entertain and hear an appeal not taken within such prescribed period.

§ III. Upon notice of appeal being given, the Clerk of the Trial Court shall send to the Clerk of the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop a transcript of the record, including all the evidence, certified by the President and Clerk of the said Court, and the Clerk shall lay the same before the Court at its next session.

§ IV. No oral testimony shall be heard by said Court, nor, except by permission of the said Court shall any new evidence be introduced in said hearing.

§ V. The Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop may affirm or reverse any judgment brought before it on appeal, and may enter final judgment in the case, or may remit the same to the Trial Court
for a new trial, or for such further proceedings as the interests of justice may require; Provided, however, that if the accused shall have been found not guilty by the Trial Court upon any of the charges and specifications upon which he has been tried other than that of holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop shall have no power to reverse said findings; and, Provided, further, that sentence shall not be imposed upon a Bishop found guilty of holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church unless and until the said findings shall have been approved by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops entitled to seats in the House of Bishops canonically assembled in the said House.

§ VI. If the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop shall enter final judgment in the case, and if by said judgment the accused shall be found guilty of any of the charges or specifications upon which he has been tried, the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop shall determine the sentence; which shall be either admonition, suspension as defined by the Canons of this Church, or deposition. Before sentence is passed the accused shall have the opportunity of being heard, if he have aught to say in excuse or palliation. The sentence shall be pronounced by the Presiding Bishop, who shall thereupon give the notices thereof required by Canon 31, § VII. [ii.]

§ VII. In case of appeal, all proceedings in the Trial Court shall be stayed until such appeal be dismissed by the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop, or the said case be remitted by the said Court to the Trial Court. Should the appellant fail to prosecute his appeal before the said Court at the first session thereof, after the entry of the appeal, at
Dismissal of appeal.

which the same could be heard, the appeal may be dismissed for want of prosecution. In case the said Court dismiss the appeal, the Clerk of the Court shall immediately give notice of such dismissal to the Trial Court.

Waiver of appeal.

The appellant may waive his appeal at any time before a hearing thereon has begun before the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop. After said hearing has begun, he may waive his appeal only with the consent of the said Court. In case the appeal is waived or dismissed, the Trial Court shall proceed as if no appeal had been taken.

CANON 34.

Of Courts of Review of the Trial of a Presbyter or Deacon.

§ I. In each of the Provinces there shall be a Court of Review, which shall be composed of a Bishop therein, three Presbyters, canonically resident in one or other of the Dioceses or of the Missionary Districts within the Province, and three Lay communicants of the Church having domicile in the Province; two at least of said Lay communicants to be men learned in the law.

§ II. Each Provincial Synod shall triennially at its first meeting after the regular meeting of the General Convention elect the Judges of the Court of Review in the Province. The Synod shall prescribe the manner in which such Judges shall be elected. The persons so elected, except in case of death, resignation, refusal or inability to serve, and as hereinafter provided, shall continue to be members of the Court for the term of three years and until their successors shall be elected.
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The Bishop elected by the Synod shall be the Presiding Officer of the Court.

§ III. The several Courts of Review are vested with jurisdiction to hear and determine appeals from decisions of Trial Courts, in Dioceses and Missionary Districts, on the trial of a Presbyter or Deacon in the cases hereinafter mentioned; Provided, however, that until after the establishment of an ultimate Court of Appeal as permitted by Article IX. of the Constitution, no Court of Review shall determine any question of doctrine, faith, or worship.

§ IV. An appeal to the Court of Review of the Province within which a trial was had may be taken by the accused from a decision hereafter made of a Diocesan or Trial Court which sustains in whole or in part a charge of any canonical offence. Upon the written request of at least two Bishops of other jurisdictions within the Province, the Bishop or the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary District within which a trial was had shall appeal from a decision hereafter made of a Trial Court acquitting the accused of a charge involving a question of doctrine, faith, or worship; Provided, however, that such appeal shall be on the question of the Church's doctrine, faith, or worship, and that the decision shall not be held to reverse the personal acquittal of the accused. But such an appeal by the Standing Committee can be taken only when there is a vacancy in the office of Bishop or in case the Bishop is unable to act. The Bishop of the jurisdiction within which a trial was had or (in case of his inability to act) the Standing Committee shall cause to be served on the accused against whom an adverse decision has been made by the Trial Court, written notice thereof. Within thirty days after the service of such notice the accused may appeal to the
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Court of Review by serving a written notice of appeal on the Bishop or Standing Committee of the jurisdiction and a duplicate on the President of the Court. Such notice shall be subscribed by the appellant and shall briefly set forth the decision from which the appeal is taken and the grounds of the appeal. An appeal by the Bishop or Standing Committee (in the case herein authorized) may be taken by the service by the appellant of a similar notice upon the accused, and also upon the President of the Court, within thirty days after the decision from which the appeal is taken. If the trial was had in a Missionary District not specified in Canon 54, Section I., the appeal shall lie to the Court of the Province embracing the Diocese, the Constitution and Canons of which had been selected for the administration of such Missionary District.

§ V. In case of conviction by the Trial Court, the Bishop shall not proceed to sentence the accused before the expiration of thirty days after he shall have been notified of the decision of the Court, nor in case an appeal is taken shall sentence be pronounced pending the hearing and determination thereof. If the conviction be upon a charge of crime or immorality, the accused, pending the appeal, shall not exercise any ministerial function.

§ VI. An appeal shall be heard upon the record of the Trial Court. When an appeal shall have been taken, the Bishop or (in case of his inability to act) the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary District wherein the trial was had, within thirty days after receiving notice of the appeal, shall transmit to the President of the Court of Review of the Province, a full and correct transcript of the record, proceedings, and decisions of the Trial Court, includ-
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ing all the evidence taken upon the trial, duly certified by the Presiding Officer or Clerk of such Court. Except for the purpose of correcting the record, if defective, no new evidence shall be taken by the Court of Review.

§ VII. The President of the Court of Review of the Province having jurisdiction, within ninety days after the record shall have been received by him, shall appoint a time and place within such Province for the hearing of the appeal. At least thirty days prior to the day appointed, written notice of such time and place shall be given by him to the other members of the Court, and also to the accused, and to the Bishop and Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the trial was had.

§ VIII. Notices may be served personally or by registered mail addressed to the person to be served, at his last place of residence. When the appeal is from the decision of a Trial Court in any Missionary District the notice required by Section VII. to be given to the accused shall be served at least three months prior to the day appointed for the hearing and the appellant shall have four months after the appeal is taken within which to serve and to deliver copies of the record as required by Section IX.

§ IX. It shall be the duty of the appellant to procure a certified copy of the record of the trial, including the charges, evidence, decision or judgment, together with the notice of appeal, to be printed. Within sixty days after the appeal shall have been taken he shall serve two printed copies of the record and notice of appeal upon the opposite party, and shall deliver seven printed copies to the President of the Court for the use of the Judges. For reasons by him deemed sufficient, the President may dispense
with the printing of the record, or of any portion thereof.

§ X. At the time and place appointed, the Court shall organize, and may appoint a Clerk or Secretary, and proceed to hear the appeal; Provided, however, that at least six Judges, of whom the President of the Court shall be one, shall participate in the hearing. But the members present, if less than that number, may adjourn the Court from time to time, until the attendance of the requisite number shall be secured.

§ XI. No person shall sit as a member of a Court of Review, on the hearing of an appeal, who is related to the accused either by affinity or consanguinity, in a direct ascending or descending line, or as brother, uncle, nephew, or first cousin, nor shall the Bishop, nor any Presbyter or Layman of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the trial was had be competent to sit on an appeal from the decision on such trial, nor any Presbyter or Layman who for any other reason upon objection made by either party is deemed by the other members of the Court to be disqualified.

§ XII. The death, permanent disability, resignation, or refusal to serve of any member of a Court of Review, shall constitute a vacancy in the Court. A resignation by the President of the Court shall be by a written notice sent to the President of the Provincial Synod. A resignation by a Presbyter or Layman, or his refusal to serve, shall be made by written notice to the President of the Court.

§ XIII. In case of death, permanent disability, removal from the Province, or resignation of the Bishop appointed as a member of the Court in any Province, or of his refusal to serve, the President of the Provincial Synod thereupon shall give written
notice thereof to the Bishop senior by consecration in that Province. Thereupon the Bishop so notified shall become and shall continue to be a member of the Court until a new appointment shall be made. If, in a particular case, the Bishop appointed as a member of a Court shall be disqualified from sitting, or by reason of illness, or other cause, shall be unable to attend a session of the Court, he shall give written notice of such disqualifications or inability to the President of the Provincial Synod. Thereupon the President of the Provincial Synod shall notify the Bishops in that Province in the order of their seniority by consecration, and on the hearing of such appeal the Bishop finally notified shall act as the President of the Court. All the provisions of this Canon relating to a Bishop originally appointed as a member of the Court shall apply to any Bishop designated under this Section.

§ XIV. In case (1) a vacancy or vacancies shall exist in the membership of the Court of Review in any Province among the clerical or lay members originally chosen, or in case (2) one or more such members shall be disqualified or unable to sit in a particular case or at a particular session of the Court, the President of the Court, on being advised of the existence of such vacancy or vacancies, or of such disqualification or disability, shall appoint other Presbyters or Laymen residing in the Province to fill such vacancy or vacancies, or to sit as members of the Court. He shall give written notice to the person or persons appointed under this Section, and upon acceptance of the appointment, the person or persons so appointed shall become members of the Court for the unexpired term of the original appointees, or temporarily, as the case may be. All the provisions of this Canon relating to persons
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Rights of accused.

Church Advocate.

Power of Court to dispose of case.

Concurrence of five members of Court necessary to pronounce judgment.

Non-concurrence of Court affirms decision of Trial Court.

originally appointed as members of the Court shall apply to persons appointed under this Section. And all proceedings which may have been taken in any case prior to such appointment under this Section or the preceding Section shall have the same force and effect as if the appointee had been a member of the Court when such proceedings were taken.

§ XV. The Court may adjourn from time to time as convenience or necessity may require. The accused may appear and be heard in person or by counsel. Such counsel shall be a communicant of the Church. A Church Advocate may be appointed from time to time by the Bishop, or in case of his inability to act, by the Standing Committee of a Diocese or Missionary District in which the trial was had, to appear in behalf of the Church on any appeal. The Church Advocate shall be a communicant of the Church. The Court shall cause a full record to be kept of its proceedings.

§ XVI. The Court may reverse or affirm, in whole or in part, the decision of the Trial Court, or, if in its opinion, justice shall so require, it may grant a new trial. If after having been duly notified, the appellant fail to appear, and no sufficient excuse be shown, the Court may dismiss the appeal for want of prosecution or it may proceed to hear and determine the appeal in his absence.

§ XVII. The concurrence of five members of a Court shall be necessary to pronounce a judgment. The judgment or decision of the Court shall be in writing, signed by the members of the Court uniting therein, and shall distinctly specify the grounds of the decision and shall be attached to the record. If the concurrence of five members cannot be obtained as provided, that fact shall be stated in the record, and the decision of the Trial Court shall stand as
affirmed. Immediately after the determination of the appeal the President of the Court shall give notice thereof in writing to the accused and to the Bishop and the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the trial was had. Upon the determination of the appeal, the original record upon which the appeal was heard, together with the record of the Court of Review, certified by the President and the Secretary or Clerk, shall be remitted to the Bishop or the Standing Committee of the jurisdiction in which the trial was had. But, if the decision involve a question of doctrine, faith, or worship, the record shall be retained by the President until the time for taking an appeal to the Court of Appeals shall have expired, and if no appeal shall then have been taken, as provided in the Canon creating such Court, he shall remit the record as in other cases. All records remitted as herein provided shall be deposited and be preserved among the archives of the jurisdiction to which they are sent.

§ XVIII. The Court shall not pronounce sentence on the affirmation of a conviction. When the appeal is so determined, the Bishop of the jurisdiction in which the trial was had, upon receipt of the record shall determine the sentence whether of admonition, suspension or deposition, as he shall deem proper, and shall pronounce the same in accordance with the provisions of Canon 40, § III.

§ XIX. The several Courts of Review may establish rules of procedure not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons.

§ XX. The expenses incurred by the Court or by its members, certified by the President, shall be a charge on the contingent fund of the General Convention, and shall be paid by the Treasurer thereof.
To provide for these and other necessary expenses, should the state of the treasury at any time before the next General Convention require it, the Treasurer of the General Convention and the Secretary of the House of Deputies are authorized to assess each Diocese one dollar for each Clergyman canonically resident; and the fund thus secured shall be added to the contingent fund in the hands of the Treasurer.

Provided, however, that in case of emergency, the Presiding Bishop, the President of the House of Deputies, the Secretary of the House of Deputies, the Treasurer of the General Convention and the Chairman of the Committee on Expenses, or a majority of them, shall have authority to levy such additional assessment, not to exceed three dollars for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon canonically resident in such Diocese as recorded in the Journal of General Convention last preceding, to help defray the expenses of the General Convention, as and whenever in their judgment such additional assessment shall be necessary. They or a majority of them shall also have authority to determine when an emergency exists.

§ XXI. All Canons or parts of Canons inconsistent with this Canon are hereby repealed.

CANON 35.

Of a Minister in any Diocese or Missionary District Chargeable with Offence in Another.

§ 1. If a Minister belonging to any Diocese or Missionary District shall have conducted himself in any other Diocese or Missionary District in such a way as to be liable to presentment under the provisions of Canon 28, the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof shall give notice of the same to the Eccle-
siastical Authority where he is canonically resident, exhibiting, with the information given, reasonable ground for presuming its truth. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, after due notice given, shall omit, for the space of three months, to proceed against the offending Minister, or shall request the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to proceed against him, it shall be within the power of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District, within which the offence or offences are alleged to have been committed, to institute proceedings according to the mode provided by the said Diocese or Missionary District.

§ II. If a Minister shall come temporarily into any Diocese or Missionary District, under the imputation of having elsewhere been guilty of any of the offences within the provisions of Canon 28, or if any Minister, while sojourning in any Diocese or Missionary District, shall so offend, the Bishop, upon probable cause, may admonish such Minister and inhibit him from officiating in said Diocese or Missionary District. And if, after such inhibition, the said Minister so officiate, the Bishop shall give notice to all the Ministers and Congregations in said Diocese or Missionary District, that the officiating of said Minister is inhibited; and like notice shall be given to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District to which the said Minister belongs, and to the Recorder. And such inhibition shall continue in force until the Bishop of the first-named Diocese or Missionary District be satisfied of the innocence of the said Minister, or until he be acquitted on trial.

§ III. The provisions of the last Section shall apply to Ministers ordained in foreign lands by Minister of other Diocese charged with misdemeanor may be inhibited from officiating.

In case of Ministers from foreign Countries.
Bishops in communion with this Church; but in such case notice of the inhibition shall be given to the Bishop from whose jurisdiction the Minister shall appear to have come, and also to all the Bishops exercising jurisdiction in this Church, and to the Recorder.

CANON 36.

Of Renunciation of the Ministry.

§ I. If any Minister of this Church not under presentment shall declare, in writing, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which he is canonically resident, his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, and his desire to be removed therefrom, it shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority to record the declaration and request so made. The Bishop, being satisfied that the person so declaring is not amenable for any canonical offence, and that his renunciation of the Ministry is not occasioned by foregoing misconduct or irregularity, but is voluntary and for causes, assigned or known, which do not effect his moral character, shall defer formal action upon the declaration for three months, and meanwhile shall lay the matter before the clerical members of the Standing Committee (or of the Council of Advice), and with their advice and consent he may pronounce that such renunciation is accepted, and that the Minister is released from the obligations of the Ministerial office, and that he is deprived of the right to exercise the gifts and spiritual authority as a Minister of God's Word and Sacraments conferred on him in his Ordination. He shall also declare in pronouncing and recording such action that it was for causes which do not affect the man's moral character, and shall, if desired, give a certificate to this effect to the person...
so removed from the Ministry. In all other cases of Renunciation of the Ministry, where there may be a question of foregoing misconduct or irregularity, the Bishop shall not pronounce sentence of Deposition save with the consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary District. The Bishop shall give due notice of every such Removal or Deposition from the Ministry, in the form in which the same is recorded, and in accordance with the provisions of Canon 40, Section III.

§ II. If a Minister making the aforesaid declaration of renunciation of his Ministry be under presentment for any canonical offence, or if he shall have been placed on trial for the same, the Ecclesiastical Authority to whom such declaration is made, shall not consider or act upon such declaration until after the said presentment shall have been dismissed, or the said trial shall have been concluded and sentence, if any, pronounced. If the Ecclesiastical Authority, to whom such declaration is made shall have ground to suppose that the person making the same is liable to presentment for any canonical offence, such person may, in the discretion of the said Ecclesiastical Authority, be placed upon trial for such offence, notwithstanding such declaration of renunciation of the Ministry.

CANON 37.
Of the Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Bishop.

§ I. If a Bishop abandon the communion of this Church, either by an open renunciation of the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of the Church, or by formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, or in any other manner, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the

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§ II. The Presiding Bishop shall forthwith give notice to the said Bishop of such suspension, and that unless he shall, within six months, make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, and shall demand a trial, he will be liable to deposition from the Ministry. And if such declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Presiding Bishop to convene the House of Bishops to consider the case; and if the said House, by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote, shall give their consent, the Presiding Bishop shall depose the said Bishop from the Ministry, and pronounce and record in the presence of two or more Bishops, that he has been so deposed.

CANON 38.

Of the Abandonment of the Communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon.

§ I. If any Presbyter or Deacon shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canon 36 abandon the communion of this Church, by an open renunciation of the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into
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any religious body not in communion with the same, or in any other way, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary District in which the said Presbyter or Deacon is canonically resident to certify the fact to the Bishop, or, if there be no Bishop, to the Bishop of an adjacent Diocese or Missionary District, and with such certificate to send a statement of the acts or declarations which show such abandonment; which certificate and statement shall be recorded, and shall be taken and deemed by the Ecclesiastical Authority as an equivalent to a renunciation of the Ministry by the Minister himself; and the said Bishop shall then suspend the said Minister for six months. Notice shall then be given by the said Bishop to the Minister so suspended that, unless he shall within six months transmit to the Bishop a retraction of such acts, or make declaration that the facts alleged in said certificate are false, he will be deposed from the Ministry.

§ II. If such retraction or declaration be not made within six months, as aforesaid, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to depose the said Minister from the Ministry, and to pronounce and record, in the presence of two or more Presbyters, that he has been so deposed.

**CANON 39.**

Of a Minister Absenting Himself from his Diocese, or Abandoning the Work of the Ministry.

§ I. If a Minister shall have been absent for more than two years from the Diocese or Missionary District in which he is canonically resident without having...
given reasons satisfactory to the Bishop thereof; or if he shall engage in any secular calling or business without the consent of such Bishop, and shall refuse to engage in the work of the Ministry at the call of his Bishop, coupled with reasonable provision for his support, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary District, or of any two Presbyters of the same jurisdiction, the case being brought to their attention by the written statement of the Bishop, to present the offending Minister for trial for violation of his Ordination vows.

§ II. Whenever a Minister of this Church shall have been absent from the Diocese or Missionary District for a period of more than two years, and has failed to make the annual report, so that his whereabouts are unknown, the Bishop may send the name of such Minister to the Presiding Bishop of the Church, who shall keep a list of such Ministers; but upon application of either the Bishop or the Minister himself, he shall be placed again upon the Diocesan list.

While the Minister's name remains upon the list of the Presiding Bishop he shall not be considered as canonically connected with the Diocese.

CANON 40.
Of Sentences.

§ I. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted on a Bishop, Priest, or Deacon, in this Church, the sentence shall specify on what terms or conditions, and at what time the penalty shall cease.

§ II. Whenever a Minister is deposed from the Sacred Ministry, he is deposed therefrom
entirely, and not from a higher to a lower Order in the same.

§ III. Whenever a canonical sentence is to be pronounced, the Bishop of the jurisdiction in which the trial was had, shall appoint a time and place for pronouncing such sentence, and shall cause a notice thereof in writing to be served on the accused personally, or by registered mail, at least thirty days before the time appointed. If the sentence to be pronounced be deposition, the Bishop acting in the matter shall pronounce and record the same in the presence of two or more Presbyters. In case the accused Clergyman confesses the truth of the charges made against him, and in writing waives the right to a trial and submits himself to disciplinary action, the Bishop may, in his discretion, proceed at once to pronounce sentence. But before the time so appointed for sentence, opportunity shall be given to the accused to show cause, if any, why sentence should not be pronounced and to offer any matter in excuse or palliation for the consideration of the Bishop. In case the Bishop of the jurisdiction is disqualified, or if there be no Bishop, the Standing Committee of the Diocese shall designate another Bishop, who shall proceed to pronounce sentence. It shall be lawful for the Bishop of the jurisdiction, or for such acting Bishop, in his discretion, to pronounce a lesser sentence than that adjudged by the Court. After a Presbyter or Deacon shall have been convicted by a trial Court of a crime or immorality rendering him liable to a canonical sentence, the Bishop of the Diocese shall have the right to suspend him from all public ministrations. Such suspension to continue until a final judgment upon the case. When the sentence is of a suspension
or deposition, the Bishop who pronounces the same shall, without delay, give notice thereof, in writing, to every Minister and Vestry in the Diocese or Missionary District in which the trial was had; to all the Bishops of the Church, and where there is no Bishop, to the Standing Committee of the Diocese, or to the Council of Advice of the Missionary District, as the case may be; to the Recorder, and to the Secretary of the House of Bishops, who shall deposit and preserve such notice among the archives of the House. The notice shall specify under what Canon the said Minister has been suspended or deposed.

**Canon 41.**

Of the Remission or Modification of Judicial Sentences.

§ I. The House of Bishops may remit and terminate any judicial sentence which may have been imposed upon a Bishop, or modify the same so far as to designate a precise period of time, or other specific contingency, on the occurrence of which such sentence shall utterly cease, and be of no further force or effect; Provided, that no such remission or modification shall be made except at a meeting of the House of Bishops, during the session of some General Convention, or at a special meeting of the said House, which shall be convened by the Presiding Bishop on the application of any five Bishops, three months' notice, in writing, of the time, place and object of the meeting being given to each Bishop; Provided, also, that such remission or modification be assented to by not less than a majority of the whole number entitled at the time to seats in the House of Bishops; and Provided, that nothing
§ II. A Bishop of this Church may, for reasons which he shall deem sufficient, remit and terminate any sentence of deposition or removal pronounced in his jurisdiction upon a Minister; but he shall exercise this power only upon the following conditions:

(a) That he shall act with the advice and consent of two-thirds of all the members of the Standing Committee.

(b) That he shall submit his proposed action, with his reasons therefor, to the judgment of five of the Bishops of this Church, whose Dioceses or Missionary Districts are nearest to his own, and shall receive in writing, from at least four of the said Bishops, their approval of the said remission, and their consent thereto.

(c) That before remitting such sentence, he shall require the person to be restored to the Ministry to subscribe to the declaration required in Article VIII. of the Constitution.

§ III. In case such person was deposed for abandoning the communion of this Church, or, having been deposed by reason of his renunciation of the Ministry of this Church, or for other cause, he have also abandoned its communion, the Bishop before granting such remission, shall be satisfied that such person has lived in lay communion with this church for three years next preceding his application for such remission.

§ IV. In case the person applying for such remission shall be domiciled beyond the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be
furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application by the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District in which such person is domiciled.

§ V. Whenever a Bishop shall remit and terminate any sentence of deposition, he shall, without delay, give due notice thereof under his own hand, sending said notice in a sealed envelope to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary District of this Church and to the Recorder, giving, with the full name of the person restored, the date of the deposition and the Order of the Ministry to which he is restored.

CANON 42.

Of the Dissolution of the Pastoral Relation.

§ I. A Rector may not resign his Parish without the consent of the said Parish, or its Vestry, or its Trustees, whichever may be authorized to act in the premises, nor may any Rector or Minister canonically or lawfully elected and in charge of any Parish be removed therefrom by said Parish, Vestry, or Trustees, against his will, except as hereinafter provided.

§ II. If for any urgent reason a Rector or Minister as aforesaid, or the Parish committed to his charge, its Vestry or Trustees, shall desire a separation and dissolution of the pastoral relation, and the parties be not agreed respecting such separation and dissolution, notice in writing may be given by either party to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District. The Bishop, in case the difference be not settled by his godly judgment, or if he decline to consider the case without counsel, may ask the advice and consent of the Standing Com-
mittee of the Diocese or of the Council of Advice of the Missionary District, and, proceeding with its aid and counsel, shall be the ultimate arbiter and judge. If the Diocese or Missionary District be vacant, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall select a Bishop of an adjacent Diocese or Missionary District to act as the Bishop, and with like force and effect. The judgment shall be either that the pastoral relation between the parties shall cease and determine at a time and upon terms therein specified, or that the said relation shall not be terminated; and it shall be the duty of both parties to submit to and abide by such judgment. In the event of either party refusing to abide by such judgment, the penalty for such refusal and the further proceedings in the case shall be those provided by the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese or Missionary District in which such Parish is situated.

§ III. In case of the regular and canonical dissolution of the connection between a Rector or Minister and his Parish, under this Canon, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall direct the Secretary of the Convention to record the same.

§ IV. This Canon shall not apply in any Diocese or Missionary District which has made, or shall hereafter make, provision by Canon upon this subject, nor in contravention of any right of any Rector, Minister, Parish, Congregation, or Vestry under the law of the Civil Authority.

CANON 43.

Of the Solemnization of Matrimony.

§ I. Ministers of this Church shall be careful to secure the observance of the law of the State govern-
Presence of witnesses required.
Marriages to be recorded in Register.

Marriage of a divorced person is prohibited.

Exception.
Proviso.

Minister may decline to officiate.

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ing the civil contract of marriage in the place where the service shall be performed.

§ II. [i.] No Minister shall solemnize a marriage except in the presence of at least two witnesses.

[ii.] Every Minister shall without delay formally record in the proper register the name, age and residence of each party. Such record shall be signed by the Minister who solemnizes the marriage, and, if practicable, by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

§ III. No Minister, knowingly after due inquiry, shall solemnize the marriage of any person who has been or is the husband or the wife of any other person then living, from whom he or she has been divorced for any cause arising after marriage. No shall it be lawful for any member of this Church to enter upon a marriage when either of the contracting parties is the husband or the wife of any other person then living from whom he or she has been divorced for any cause arising after marriage. But this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce for adultery; **Provided,** that before the application for such remarriage a period of not less than one year shall have elapsed, after the granting of such divorce; and that satisfactory evidence touching the facts in the case, including a copy of the Court's Decree, and Record, if practicable, with proof that the defendant was personally served or appeared in the action, shall have declared in writing that in his judgment the case of the applicant conforms to the requirements of this Canon; and **Provided, further,** that it shall be within the discretion of any Minister to decline to solemnize any marriage.
§ IV. If any Minister of this Church shall have cause to think that a person desirous of being admitted to Holy Baptism, or to Confirmation, or to the Holy Communion, has been married otherwise than as the Word of God and discipline of this Church allow, such Minister, before receiving such person to these ordinances, shall refer the case to the Bishop for his godly judgment thereupon; Provided, however, that no Minister, shall in any case refuse these ordinances to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

CANON 44.

Of Regulations Respecting the Laity.

§ I. [i.] A communicant in good standing, removing from one Parish or Congregation to another, shall be entitled to receive and shall procure from the Rector or Minister of the Parish or Congregation of his or her last residence, or, if there be no Rector or Minister, from one of the Wardens, a certificate stating that he or she is duly registered or enrolled as a communicant in the Parish or Congregation from which he or she desires to be transferred, and the Rector or Minister or Warden of the Parish or Congregation to which such communicant may remove shall enroll him or her as a communicant when such certificate is presented, or, on failure to produce such certificate through no fault of such communicant, upon other evidence of his or her being such a communicant, sufficient in the judgment of said Rector or Minister. Notice of such enrolment in such Parish or Congregation to which such communicant shall have removed, shall be sent by the Rector or Minister thereof to the Rector of the Parish from which the communicant is removed.
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[iii.] Any communicant of any Church in communion with this Church, shall be entitled to the benefit of this Section so far as the same can be made applicable.

[iii.] It shall be the duty of the Rector, or Minister of every Parish or Congregation, learning of the removal of any member of his Parish or Congregation to another Cure, without having secured a letter of transfer, as herein provided, to transmit to the Minister of such Cure a letter of advice informing him thereof.

§ II. When a person to whom the Sacraments of the Church shall have been refused, or who has been repelled from the Holy Communion under the Rubrics, shall lodge a complaint with the Bishop, it shall be the duty of the Bishop, unless he see fit to require the person to be admitted or restored because of the insufficiency of the cause assigned by the Minister, to institute such an inquiry as may be directed by the Canons of the Diocese or Missionary District, and should no such Canon exist, the Bishop shall proceed according to such principles of law and equity as will insure an impartial decision, but no Minister of this Church shall be required to admit to the Sacraments a person so refused or repelled, without the written direction of the Bishop.

The Sacraments shall not be refused in any case to a penitent person at the point to die.

CANON 45.

Of Translations of the Bible.

The Lessons at Morning and Evening Prayer shall be read from the translation of the Holy Scriptures, commonly known as the King James or Authorized
Version (which is the Standard Bible of this Church), including the Marginal Readings authorized for use by the General Convention of 1901, or from the translation commonly known as the Revised Version, either in its English or its American form.

**CANON 46.**

Of the Standard Book of Common Prayer.

§ I. The copy 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, the Form of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, and an Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, accepted by the General Convention of this Church, in the year of our Lord, 1928, and authenticated by the signatures of the Presiding Officers and Secretaries of the two Houses of General Convention, is hereby declared to be the Standard Book of Common Prayer of this Church.

§ II. All copies of the Book of Common Prayer to be hereafter made and published shall conform to this standard, and shall agree therewith in paging, and, as far as it is possible, in all other matters of typographical arrangement, except that the Rubrics may be printed either in red or black, and that page numbers shall be set against the several headings in the Table of Contents. The requirement of uniformity in paging shall apply only to that portion of the book which begins with the Order for the Daily
Morning Prayer, and ends with the Psalter, and shall not extend to editions smaller than those known as 32mo, or to editions noted for music.

§ III. In case any typographical inaccuracy shall be found in the Standard Book of Common Prayer, its correction may be ordered by a joint resolution of any General Convention, and notice of such correction shall be communicated by the Custodian to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese of this Church, and to actual publishers of the Book of Common Prayer.

§ IV. Folio copies of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, duly authenticated, as in the case of the Standard Book, shall be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese and Missionary District in trust for the use thereof, and for reference and appeal in questions as to the authorized formularies of this Church.

§ V. No copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer shall be made, printed, published, or used as of authority in this Church, unless it contain the authorization of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, certifying that he or some person appointed by him has compared the said copy or edition with the said Standard, or a certified copy thereof, and that it conforms thereto.

§ VI. The appointment of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer shall be made by a nomination of the House of Bishops, confirmed by the House of Deputies. He shall hold office until his successor is appointed, and any vacancy occurring during the recess of the General Convention may be provisionally filled by the appointment of the Pre-
siding Bishop. It shall be the duty of the Ecclesiastical Authority of any Diocese or Missionary District in which any unauthorized edition of the Book of Common Prayer, or any part or parts thereof, shall be published or circulated, to give public notice that the said edition is not of authority in this Church.

**CANON 47.**

Of the Authorization of Special Forms of Service.

In any Congregation, worshipping in other than the English language, which shall have placed itself under the oversight of a Bishop of this Church, it shall be lawful to use a form of service in such language; *Provided,* that such form of service shall have previously been approved by the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District, until such time as an authorized edition of the Book of Common Prayer in such language shall be set forth by the authority of the General Convention; and *Provided, further,* that no Bishop shall license any such form of service until he shall first have been satisfied that the same is in accordance with the doctrine and worship of this Church; nor in any case shall such form of service be used for the ordination or consecration of Bishops, Priests, or Deacons.

**CANON 48.**

Of the Due Celebration of Sundays.

All persons within this Church shall celebrate and keep the Lord's Day, commonly called Sunday, by regular participation in the public worship of the Church, by hearing the Word of God read and taught, and by other acts of devotion and works of charity, using all godly and sober conversation.
CANON 49.

Of the Music of the Church.

It shall be the duty of every Minister to appoint for use in his Congregation hymns or anthems from those authorized by the Rubric, and, with such assistance as he may see fit to employ from persons skilled in music, to give order concerning the tunes to be sung in his Church. It shall be his especial duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and all irreverence in the performance.

CANON 50.

Of the Consecration of Churches.

§ I. No Church or Chapel shall be consecrated until the Bishop shall have been sufficiently certified that the building and the ground on which it is erected have been fully paid for, and are free from lien or other encumbrance; and also that such building and ground are secured from the danger of alienation, either in whole or in part, from those who profess and practice the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, except in the cases provided in §§ II. and III. of this Canon.

§ II. It shall not be lawful for any Vestry, Trustees, or other body authorized by laws of any State or Territory to hold property for any Diocese, Parish, or Congregation, to encumber or alienate any consecrated Church or Chapel, or any Church or Chapel which has been used solely for Divine Service, belonging to the Parish or Congregation which they represent, without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.
§ III. No consecrated Church or Chapel shall be removed, taken down, or otherwise disposed of for any worldly or common use, without the previous consent of the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese.

CANON 51.

Of the General Convention.

§ I. [i.] At the time and place appointed for the meeting of the General Convention, the Secretary of the House of Deputies, or, in his absence, one of the Assistant Secretaries, in the order of their appointment, or, in the absence of all, the person appointed as hereinafter provided by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is to meet, shall call to order the members present, and record the names of those whose testimonials, in due form, shall have been presented to him, which record shall be prima facie evidence that the persons whose names are therein recorded are entitled to seats. If there be a quorum present, by the record, the Secretary shall so declare, and the House shall proceed to organize by the election by ballot of a President from the members of the House, and of a Secretary, and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. As soon as a President and Secretary have been elected, a committee shall be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops, and inform them of the organization of the House of Deputies, and of its readiness to proceed to business.

[ii.] In order to aid the Secretary in preparing the record specified in clause [i.], it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to him, as soon as may be practicable,
a copy of the latest Journal of the Diocesan Convention, together with a certified copy of the testimonials of members aforesaid. He shall also forward a duplicate copy of such testimonials to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is next to meet.

[iii.] The Secretary shall keep full minutes of the proceedings of the House; record them, with all reports, in a book provided for that purpose; preserve the Journals and Records of the House; deliver them to the Registrar, as hereinafter provided, and perform such other duties as may be directed by the House. He may, with the approval of the House, appoint Assistant Secretaries, and the Secretary and Assistant Secretaries shall continue in office until the organization of the next General Convention, and until their successors be chosen. If, during the recess of the General Convention, a vacancy should occur in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall devolve upon the senior Assistant Secretary; or, if there be none, a Secretary shall be appointed by the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is next to meet.

[iv.] It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the House of Deputies, whenever any alteration of the Book of Common Prayer or of the Constitution is proposed, or any other subject submitted to the consideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Church in every Diocese and Missionary District, as well as to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, and written evidence that the foregoing requirement has been complied with shall be presented by him to the General Convention at its next Session. All such notices shall be sent by registered mail, return receipts being required. He
shall notify each Diocesan Secretary that it is his duty to make known such proposed alterations of the Book of Common Prayer, and of the Constitution, and such other subjects, to the Convention of his Diocese at its next meeting, and to certify to the Secretary of the House of Deputies that such action has been taken by him.

[v.] The Secretary of the House of Deputies and the Treasurer of the General Convention shall be entitled to seats upon the floor of the House, and, with the consent of the President, they may speak on the subjects of their respective offices.

[vi.] At the meetings of the House of Deputies the Rules and Orders of the previous meeting shall be in force until they are amended or repealed by the House.

§ II. [i.] The right of calling special meetings of the General Convention shall be vested in the Bishops. The Presiding Bishop shall issue the summons for such meetings, designating the time and place thereof, with the consent, or on the requisition, of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

[ii.] The Deputies elected to the preceding General Convention shall be the Deputies at such special meetings of the General Convention, except in those cases in which other Deputies shall have been chosen in the meantime by any of the Diocesan Conventions, and then such other Deputies shall represent in the special meeting of the General Convention the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.

[iii.] Any vacancy in the representation of any Diocese caused by the death, absence or inability of any Deputy, shall be supplied either temporarily or permanently in such manner as shall be prescribed by the Diocese, or, in the absence of any such provision, by appointment by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the
Diocese. During such periods as shall be stated in the certificate issued to him by the appointing power, the Provisional Deputy so appointed shall possess and shall be entitled to exercise the power and authority of the Deputy in place of whom he shall have been designated.

§ III. [i.] The House of Deputies, upon the nomination of the House of Bishops, shall elect a Presbyter, to be known as the Registrar of the General Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive all Journals, files, papers, reports and other documents or articles that are, or shall become, the property of either House of the General Convention; to arrange, label, index, and put them in order, and to provide for the safe keeping of the same in some fire-proof, accessible place of deposit, and to hold the same under such regulations as the General Convention may, from time to time, provide.

[ii.] It shall also be the duty of the said Registrar to procure a suitable book, and to enter therein the record of the ordinations and consecrations of all the Bishops of this Church, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the consecrating Bishops, and of others present and assisting; to have the same authenticated in the fullest manner practicable; and to take care for the similar record and authentication of all future ordinations and consecrations of Bishops in this Church. Due notice of the time and place of such ordinations and consecrations shall be given by the Presiding Bishop to the Registrar; and thereupon it shall be his duty to attend such ordinations and consecrations, either in person or by Deputy.

[iii.] He shall prepare, in such form as the House of Bishops shall prescribe the Letters of
Ordination and Consecration in duplicate; and he shall have the same immediately signed and sealed by the ordaining and consecrating Bishops, and by such other Bishops assisting as may be practicable; and he shall deliver to the newly consecrated Bishop one of the said Letters, and shall carefully file the other among the papers in his custody, and make a minute thereof in his book of record.

[iv.] The Registrar shall also be Historiographer, unless in any case the House of Bishops shall make a separate nomination; and in this event the House of Deputies shall confirm the nomination.

[v.] The necessary expenses incurred under this Section shall be paid by the Treasurer of the General Convention.

[vi.] It shall be the duty of the Secretaries of both Houses, within six months after the adjournment of the General Convention, to deliver to the Registrar the manuscript minutes of the proceedings of both Houses, together with the Journals, files, papers, reports, and all other documents of either House. The manuscript Minutes of both Houses shall remain filed until after the adjournment of the Second Convention following that at which such Minutes shall have been taken; Provided, however, that any part of such Minutes, for any reason unpublished in the Journal, shall remain filed in the Archives. The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall also deliver to the Registrar, when not otherwise expressly directed, all the Journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents specified in Canon 52. The Secretaries shall require the Registrar to give them receipts for the Journals and other papers delivered to him.

[vii.] In the case of a vacancy in the office of Registrar, the Presiding Bishop shall appoint a
Registrar, who shall hold office until the next General Convention.

§ IV. [i.] The House of Deputies, upon nomination of the House of Bishops, shall elect a Recorder, whose duty it shall be to continue the List of Ordinations and keep a List of the Clergy in regular standing, corrected to the first day of September, in each year, and furnish a certified copy of the same to any applicant at his expense.

[ii.] It shall be the duty of the Secretary of every Diocese, Missionary District and the Convocation of American Churches in Europe, to forward to the Recorder on or before the first day of September in each and every year a report giving (1) the names of the Clergy canonically resident therein on the fifteenth day of June in that year with their several charges, etc.; (2) the names of the Clergy licensed by the Bishop to officiate, but not yet transferred; (3) the names of all persons connected with the Diocese, District or Convocation who have been ordered Deacons or Priests during the preceding year, with the date and place of ordination and the name of the Bishop ordaining; (4) the names of the Clergy of the Diocese, District or Convocation, who have died during the year, with the date and place of death; (5) the names of the Clergy who have been received during the year, with the date of their reception and the name of the Diocese, District or Convocation from which received, and, in the case of Clergy not received from a Diocese, District or Convocation of this Church, the date and place of ordination and the name of the Bishop ordaining; (6) the names of the Clergy who have been transferred during the year, with the dates of the Letters Dimissory and of their acceptance, and the name of the Diocese, District, or Convocation to which transferred;
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pended during the year, with the date and ground of
suspension; (8) the names of the Clergy who have
been deposed during the year, with the date, place
and ground of deposition; (9) the names of Deacon-
esses canonically resident on the fifteenth day of June
in that year. The Recorder shall not give out for
publication the grounds of suspension and deposition.

[iii.] The necessary expenses incurred under this
Section by the Recorder, shall be paid by the Treas-
urer of the General Convention.

[iv.] In case of a vacancy in the office of
Recorder, the Presiding Bishop shall appoint a
Recorder, who shall hold office until the next
General Convention.

§ V. At every triennial meeting of the General
Convention a Treasurer shall be chosen, who shall
remain in office until the next stated Convention, and
until a successor be appointed. It shall be his duty
to receive and disburse all moneys collected under
the authority of the Convention, and of which the
collection and disbursement shall not otherwise be
prescribed; and to invest, from time to time, such
surplus funds as he may have on hand. His account
shall be rendered triennially to the Convention, and
shall be audited by a Committee acting under its
authority. In case of a vacancy in the office, the
Presiding Bishop and the last President of the House
of Deputies shall appoint a Treasurer, who shall
hold office until another appointment be made by
the Convention.

§ VI. In order that the contingent expenses of
the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be
the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions to
forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention,
on the first Monday in September immediately preceding the meeting of the General Convention, not more than five dollars for each Bishop, Presbyter, and Deacon canonically resident in such Diocese, as recorded in the Journal of the General Convention last preceding. The amount of such assessment shall be determined by the Committee on Expenses. A new Diocese not recorded in the last Journal shall furnish the Treasurer prior to the first of September as above stated, a list of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons canonically resident in such Diocese, and said list shall be the same as furnished in their report to the House of Deputies.

§ VII. The Treasurer of the General Convention shall have authority to borrow, in behalf and in the name of the General Convention, with the approval of the Presiding Bishop, such a sum not exceeding five thousand dollars per annum, as in his judgment may be necessary to help defray the expenses of the General Convention; Provided, that the total amount of the indebtedness in this Section shall at no time exceed ten thousand dollars.

§ VIII. The Treasurer shall give a bond conditioned on the faithful performance of his duties. The amount thereof and the terms on which the same shall be given shall be subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, the expense of such bond to be paid by the General Convention.

§ IX. The Treasurer shall submit to the General Convention at each regular meeting thereof a detailed budget for which he proposes to request appropriations for the ensuing triennium. He shall have power to expend all sums of money covered by this budget, subject to such provisions of the Canons as shall be applicable.
§ X. The Treasurer may appoint, subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, an Assistant Treasurer, who shall hold office during the pleasure of the Treasurer and shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him by the Treasurer. He shall give a bond conditioned on the faithful performance of his duties. The amount thereof and the terms on which the same shall be given shall be subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, the expense of such bond to be paid by the General Convention.

CANON 52.

Of the Mode of Securing an Accurate View of the State of this Church.

§ I. A report of every Parish and other congregation of this Church shall be prepared annually for the year ending December 31st preceding, upon the blank form adopted by the General Convention, and shall be sent not later than February 1st to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District, or, where there is no Bishop, to the Secretary of the Diocese or District. In every Parish the preparation and delivery of this report shall be the joint duty of the Rector and Vestry, and in every other congregation the duty of the Minister in charge thereof. This report shall include the following information: (1) the number of baptisms, confirmations, marriages, and burials during the year; the total number of baptized persons and communicants at the time of the report; and for all purposes the number of members of the Church shall be deemed to be the number of baptized persons; (2) a summary of all receipts and expenditures, from whatever source derived, and for whatever purpose used; and (3) a statement of the property held by the Parish, whether real or personal,
with an appraisal of its value, together with a statement of the indebtedness of the Parish, if any, and of the amount of insurance carried. And every Minister not in charge of any Parish or Congregation shall also report his occasional services, and if there have been none, the causes or reasons which have prevented the same. And these reports, or such parts of them as the Bishop may deem proper, shall be entered in the Journal.

§ II. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese and of the Convocation of every Missionary District to forward to the Secretary of the House of Deputies immediately upon publication the Journals of the Convention of the Diocese or Convocation of the Missionary District, together with Episcopal charges, statements and such other papers as may show the State of the Church in his Diocese or Missionary District. It shall also be his duty to prepare, immediately after the adjournment of the Diocesan Convention or the Convocation of a Missionary District next preceding the regular meeting of every General Convention, and forward forthwith to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, upon the blank provided for that purpose, which shall conform to the reports required in the previous Section of this Canon, and shall give a condensed summary of the statistics contained in the Parochial reports and Bishop's statements, with information as to all institutions in any way connected with the Church within the Diocese or Missionary District, and also as to the condition of all invested funds and the amount of all contributions received and expended by the Bishops, or otherwise within the Diocese or District. The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall, as soon as may be, present these papers to the House, and a com-
mittee shall be appointed to prepare and present to
the House a report on the State of the Church,
which report, when agreed to by the said House,
shall be sent to the House of Bishops.

**CANON 53.**

**Of Business Methods in Church Affairs.**

§ I. The Fiscal year shall begin January 1st.

§ II. A permanent Board consisting of one Bishop, one Clergyman and three Laymen, shall be constituted under the name of the Board of Church Finance, to promote the establishment of a uniform system of Parochial and Diocesan finances and reports, and to devise and recommend such improvements in methods of conducting Church finances, and of securing statistical information as may be found by experience from time to time to be desirable. The members of the Board shall be appointed triennially, and vacancies occurring therein shall be filled by the Presidents of the two Houses.

§ III. It shall be the duty of the custodians of all trust and permanent funds for Church purposes to deposit the same in trust with some Trust Company or Bank organized under the laws of the United States, or of a State, or with a corporation of the Diocese, such as an incorporated Board of Trustees, and a full and detailed statement of each fund shall be annually reported to the Diocesan Convention, or the District Convocation.

§ IV. All accounts, having to do with the receipt, and expenditure, or investments of money of all church organizations shall be audited at the close of each year by a certified public accountant; Provided,
however, that if the amount of income for the year, as shown by the account shall be less than $3,000, or if a certified public accountant is not available, the audit may be made by an accountant bookkeeper in no way connected with the subject matter of the account.

§ V. Each Diocese and Missionary District shall appoint at its next regular Convention or Convocation—provided one has not heretofore been appointed—and annually thereafter a Finance Committee or a Department of Finance for the following purposes:

[i.] To maintain general supervision of the financial affairs of the Diocese or District; to secure simplicity and accuracy in collection and disbursements of all funds, and co-operation between the various officers, trusts and boards of the Convention or District; for which purpose it shall establish its own rules and keep a record of its meetings, all of which shall be submitted annually to the Convention or Convocation.

[ii.] To act as advisor of the Bishop in financial matters; and, upon request, as advisor to individual parishes within the Diocese or District.

[iii.] To see to it that adequate insurance is maintained upon all Church property and that the budget system be introduced into all Parishes.

[iv.] To perform such other duties relating to the business affairs of the Diocese or District as may be referred to it.

CANON 54.

Of Provinces.

§ I. Subject to the proviso in Article VII. of the Constitution, the Dioceses and Missionary
Districts of this Church shall be and are hereby united into Provinces as follows:

The First Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut.

The Second Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of New York and New Jersey, and the Missionary Districts of Porto Rico and Haiti.

The Third Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and the Diocese of Washington.

The Fourth Province shall consist of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee and Kentucky and the Panama Canal Zone.

The Fifth Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan and Wisconsin.

The Sixth Province shall consist of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within the States of Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Montana, Wyoming and Colorado.

The Seventh Province shall consist of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within the States of Missouri, Arkansas, Texas, Kansas, Oklahoma and New Mexico.

The Eighth Province shall consist of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within the States of Idaho, Utah, Washington, Oregon, Nevada, California, Arizona, the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii, and the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands.
§ II. When a new Diocese or Missionary District shall be created wholly within any Province, such new Diocese or Missionary District shall be included in such Province. In case a new Diocese or Missionary District shall embrace territory in two or more Provinces, it shall be included in and form a part of the Province wherein the greater number of Presbyters and Deacons in such new Diocese or Missionary District shall at the time of its creation be canonically resident. Whenever a new Diocese or Missionary District shall be formed of territory not before included in any Diocese or Missionary District, the General Convention shall designate the Province to which it shall be annexed.

§ III. For the purposes of the Province the Synodical rights and privileges of the several Dioceses and Missionary Districts within the Province shall be such as from time to time shall be determined by the Synod of the Province.

§ IV. There shall be in each Province a Synod consisting of a House of Bishops and a House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate either separately or together.

§ V. Every Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction within the Province, every Bishop Coadjutor and Suffragan Bishop, and every Bishop whose episcopal work has been within the Province, but who by reason of advanced age or bodily infirmity has resigned, shall have a seat and vote in the House of Bishops of the Province.

§ VI. The President of each Province shall be one of the Bishops of the Province, elected by the Synod by the concurrent vote of the three orders and by a plurality in each order. He shall hold office for such term as the Synod may determine.
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**§ VII.** Each Diocese within the Province shall be entitled to representation in the Provincial House of Deputies by four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese, but the Provincial Synod, by Ordinance, may increase the representation to not more than six in each order. Each Province may determine the qualifications of its Deputies and the manner in which they shall be chosen. Each Missionary District within the Province shall be entitled to representation in the Provincial House of Deputies by two Presbyters, canonically resident in the District, and by two Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Missionary District, but the Provincial Synod, by Ordinance, may increase the representation to not more than three in each order. Each Missionary District shall determine the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.

**§ VIII.** The Provincial Synod shall have power:  
(1) to enact Ordinances for its own regulation and government; (2) to elect judges of the Provincial Court of Reviews; (3) to perform such duties as may be committed to it by General Convention; (4) to deal with all matters within the Province; *Provided, however,* that no Provincial Synod shall have power to regulate or control the internal policy or affairs of any constituent Diocese or Missionary District; and *Provided, further,* that all actions and proceedings of the Synod shall be subject to and in conformity with the provisions of the Constitution and the Canons for the government of this Church; (5) to adopt a budget for the maintenance of any Provincial work undertaken by the Synod, such budget to be raised in such manner as the Synod may...
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of Standing Committees.

§ I. In every Diocese the Standing Committee shall elect from their own body a President and a Secretary. They may meet in conformity with their
own rules from time to time, and shall keep a record of their proceedings; and the President may summon a special meeting whenever he may deem it necessary. They shall be summoned on the requisition of the Bishop, whenever he shall desire their advice; and they may meet of their own accord and agreeably to their own rules when they may be disposed to advise the Bishop.

§ II. In all cases in which a Canon of the General Convention directs a duty to be performed, or a power to be exercised, by a Standing Committee, or by the Clerical members thereof, or by any other body consisting of several members, a majority of the said members, the whole having been duly cited to meet, shall be a quorum; and a majority of the quorum so convened shall be competent to act, unless the contrary is expressly required by the Canon.

§ III. When it is certified to the Presiding Bishop by at least three reputable physicians who shall have examined the case, that the Bishop of any Diocese is incapable of authorizing the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, or a Suffragan Bishop, if there be one, or the Standing Committee, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority, then upon the advice of five Bishops of the neighboring Dioceses, to be selected by the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop Coadjutor, if there be one, or a Suffragan Bishop, if there be one, and if the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese so provide, or the Standing Committee, shall be declared by the Presiding Bishop to be the Ecclesiastical Authority for all purposes set forth in these Canons, and shall retain such authority until such time as, acting upon a like certificate, the Presiding Bishop shall declare the said Bishop competent to perform his official duties.
§ I. Whenever a new Diocese shall be formed within the limits of any Diocese, or by the junction of two or more Dioceses, or parts of Dioceses, or in a Missionary District, and such action shall have been ratified by the General Convention, the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District within the limits of which a Diocese is formed, or in case of the junction of two or more Dioceses or Missionary Districts, or parts of Dioceses or Missionary Districts, the senior Bishop by consecration shall thereupon call the Primary Convention of the new Diocese, for the purpose of enabling to organize, and shall fix the time and place of holding the same, such place being within the territorial limits of the new Diocese.

§ II. In case there should be no Bishop who can call such Primary Convention, pursuant to the foregoing provisions, then the duty of calling such Convention for the purpose of organizing and of fixing the time and place of its meeting, shall be vested in the Standing Committee of the Diocese or Council of Advice of the Missionary District within the limits of which the new one is erected, or in the Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the oldest of the Dioceses or Missionary Districts by the junction of which, or of parts of which, the new Diocese may be formed. And such Standing Committee, or Council of Advice, shall make the call immediately after ratification of the General Convention.

§ III. Whenever one Diocese is about to be divided into two Dioceses, the Convention of such Diocese shall declare which portion thereof is to be the new Diocese, and shall make the same known to the
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General Convention before the ratification of such division.

§ IV. Whenever a new Diocese shall have organized in Primary Convention in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution and Canons in such case made and provided, and in the manner prescribed in the previous sections of this Canon, and shall have chosen a name and acceded to the Constitution of the General Convention in accordance with Article V., Section 1 of the Constitution, and shall have laid before the General Convention certified copies of the Constitution adopted at its Primary Convention, and the proceedings preparatory to the formation of the proposed new Diocese, such new Diocese shall thereupon be admitted into union with the General Convention.

§ V. The Convocation of a Missionary District at the time of its organization as a Diocese, shall be entitled to elect Deputies to the succeeding General Convention, and also to elect a Bishop, if the Missionary Bishop in charge of such District shall elect not to become the Bishop of said Diocese.

CANON 57.

Of Parishes and Congregations.

§ I. Every Congregation of this Church shall belong to the Church in the Diocese or Missionary District in which its place of worship is situated; and no Minister having a Parish or Cure in more than one jurisdiction shall have a seat in the Convention of any jurisdiction other than that in which he has canonical residence.

§ II. [i.] The ascertainment and defining of the boundaries of existing Parishes or Parochial Cures,
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as well as the establishment of a new Parish or Congregation, and the formation of a new Parish within the limits of any other Parish, is left to the action of the several Diocesan Conventions.

[ii.] Until a Canon or other regulation of a Diocesan Convention shall have been adopted, the formation of new Parishes, or the establishment of new Parishes or Congregations within the limits of existing Parishes, shall be vested in the Bishop of the Diocese, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee thereof, and, in case of there being no Bishop, in the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ III. [i.] Where Parish boundaries are not defined by law, or settled by Diocesan Authority under Section II. of this Canon, or are not otherwise settled, they shall be defined by the civil divisions of the State as follows:

Parochial boundaries shall be the limits as fixed by law, of a village, town, township, incorporated borough, city, or of some division of any such civil district, which may be recognized by the Bishop, acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, as constituting the boundaries of a Parish.

[ii.] If there be but one Church or Congregation within the limits of such village, town, township, borough, city, or such division of a civil district, as herein provided, the same shall be deemed the Parochial Cure of the Minister having charge thereof. If there be two or more Churches or Congregations therein, it shall be deemed the Cure of the Ministers thereof.

[iii.] This Canon shall not affect the legal rights of property of any Parish or Congregation.
§ IV. [i.] It shall be lawful, under the conditions hereinafter stated, to organize a Congregation in any foreign land, other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the colonies and dependencies thereof, and not within the jurisdiction of any Missionary Bishop of this Church.

[ii.] The Bishop in charge of such Congregations, and the Council of Advice hereinafter provided for, may authorize any Presbyter of this Church to officiate temporarily at any place to be named by them within any such foreign land, upon being satisfied that it is expedient to establish at such place a Congregation of this Church.

[iii.] Such Presbyter, after having publicly officiated at such place on four consecutive Sundays, may give notice, in the time of Divine Service, that a meeting of the male persons of full age and attending the services, will be held, at a time and place to be named by the Presbyter in charge, to organize the Congregation. The said meeting may proceed to effect an organization, subject to the approval of the said Bishop and Council of Advice and in conformity to such regulations as the said Council of Advice may provide.

[iv.] Before being taken under the direction of the General Convention of this Church, such Congregation shall be required, in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and to agree to submit to and obey such directions as may be, from time to time, received from the Bishop in charge and Council of Advice.

[v.] The desire of such Congregation to be taken under the direction of the General Convention shall be duly certified by the Minister, one Warden, and...
two Vestrymen or Trustees of said Congregation, duly elected.

[vi.] Such certificate, and the Constitution, Plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention, if it be in session, or to the Presiding Bishop at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, under written instruction from the Presiding Bishop, shall thereupon place the name of the Congregation on the list of Congregations in foreign lands under the direction of the General Convention; and a certificate of the said official action shall be forwarded to and filed by the Registrar of this Church. Such Congregations are placed under the government and jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop.

[vii.] The Presiding Bishop, may from time to time, by written commission under his own signature and seal, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, having a seat and vote in the House of Bishops, the full charge of one or more of such Congregations, and the Ministers officiating therein, for such period of time as he may deem expedient, not exceeding three years; Provided, that should such term expire in a year during which a General Convention is to be held, prior to said Convention, the Commission may be extended until the adjournment of the Convention.

[viii.] Nothing in this Canon is to be construed as preventing the election of a Bishop to have charge of such Congregations under the provision of Canon 13.

[ix.] To aid the Presiding Bishop or the Bishop in charge of these foreign Churches in administering the affairs of the same, and in settling such questions as may, by means of their peculiar situation,
arise, a Council of Advice, consisting of four Clergy-men and four Laymen, shall be constituted as follows, and shall act as a Council of Advice to the Bishop in charge of the foreign Churches. They shall be chosen annually, to serve until their successors are chosen, by a Convocation duly convened, of all the Clergy of the foreign Churches or Chapels, and of one Lay representative of each Church or Chapel, chosen by its Vestry or Committee. The Council of Advice shall be convened on the requisition of the Bishop whenever he may desire their advice, and they may meet of their own accord and agreeably to their own rules when they may wish to advise the Bishop. When a meeting is not practicable, the Bishop may ascertain their mind by letter.

It shall be lawful for the Presiding Bishop at any time to authorize by writing under his hand and seal the Council of Advice to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority.

[x.] In case a Minister in charge of a Congregation in a foreign land shall be accused of any offence under the Canons of this Church, it shall be the duty of the Bishop in charge of such Congregation to summon the Council of Advice, and cause an inquiry to be instituted as to the truth of such accusation; and should there be reasonable grounds for believing the same to be true, the said Bishop and the Council of Advice shall appoint a Commission, consisting of three Ministers and two Laymen, whose duty it shall be to meet in the place where the accused resides, and to obtain all the evidence in the case from the parties interested; they shall give to the accused all rights under the Canons of this Church which can be exercised in a foreign land. The judgment of the said Commission, solemnly made, shall then be sent to the Bishop in charge, and
to the Presiding Bishop, and, if approved by them, shall be carried into effect; Provided, that no such Commission shall recommend any other discipline than admonition or removal from his charge of Minister of said Congregation. Should the result of the inquiry of the aforesaid Commission reveal evidence tending, in their judgment, to show that said Minister deserves a severer discipline, all the documents in the case shall be placed in the hands of the Presiding Bishop, who may proceed against the said Minister, as far as possible, according to the Canons of the General Convention, and the Canons of the Diocese of the Presiding Bishop.

[xi.] If there be a Congregation within the limits of any city in a foreign land, no new Congregation shall be established in that city, except with the consent of the Bishop in charge and the Council of Advice.

[xii.] In cases of a difference between the Minister and a Congregation in a foreign land, the Bishop in charge shall duly examine the same, and the said Bishop shall, with the Council of Advice, have full power to settle and adjust such difference upon principles recognized in the Canons of the General Convention.

[xiii.] No Minister shall be allowed to take charge of a Congregation in a foreign land, organized under this Canon, until he shall have been nominated by the Vestry thereof, or, if there be no Vestry, by the Council of Advice, and approved by the Bishop in charge, and when such appointment shall have been accepted by the Minister so appointed, he shall be transferred to the jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop.
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CANON 58.
Of Parish Vestries.

§ I. In every Parish of this Church the number, mode of election, and term of office of Wardens and Vestrymen, with the qualifications of voters, shall be such as the State or Diocesan law may permit or require, and the Wardens and Vestrymen elected under such law shall hold office until their successors are elected and have qualified.

§ II. Except as provided by the law of the State or of the Diocese, the Vestry shall be agents and legal representatives of the Parish in all matters concerning its corporate property and the relations of the Parish to its Clergy.

§ III. Unless it conflict with the law as aforesaid, the Rector, when present, shall preside in all the meetings of the Vestry.

CANON 59.
Of the Church Pension Fund.

§ I. The Church Pension Fund, a corporation created by Chapter 97 of the Laws of 1914 of the State of New York is hereby authorized to establish and administer the pension system of this Church substantially in accordance with the principles adopted by the General Convention of 1913 (See Journal, pp. 290-319) and approved thereafter by the several Dioceses, with the view of providing for the clergy disabled by age or other infirmity and for the widows and minor children of deceased clergymen.

§ II. The General Convention at each triennial meeting (except in the year 1916) shall elect, on
the nomination of a Joint Committee thereof, six persons to serve as Trustees of the Church Pension Fund for a term of nine years and until their successors shall have been elected and have qualified. At the General Convention of 1916, eighteen persons shall be so chosen, six for the term of three years, six for the term of six years, and six for the term of nine years.

§ III. For the purpose of establishing and administering the pension system, the Church Pension Fund shall be entitled to receive and to use all net royalties arising from publications authorized by the General Convention, and to institute throughout the Church and in accordance with the Canons of the several Dioceses to levy upon and to collect from all parishes and congregations of the Church and any other societies or organizations in the Church which under the regulations of the Church Pension Fund shall elect to come into the pension system, assessments based upon the salaries of the clergymen employed by them respectively in the office and work of the Ministry.

§ IV. The pension system shall be so administered that no pension shall be allotted before there shall be in the hands of the Church Pension Fund, funds sufficient to meet such pension.

§ V. To every clergyman, who, at an age which the Church Pension Fund shall ascertain and determine to be the usual age of ordination, shall be ordained in this Church or received into this Church from another Church, and who shall remain in continuous service in the office and work of the Ministry in this Church, and in respect of whom the conditions of this Canon shall have been
fulfilled, the Church Pension Fund shall make a retiring allowance of at least $600 a year. In the case of a clergyman who at the time of his ordination or reception shall be older than such usual age of ordination, the Church Pension Fund shall determine his retiring allowance, upon fulfillment of the other conditions of this Canon, at a rate consistent with proper actuarial practices. Subject to the provisions of this Canon, the general principle shall be observed in allotting pensions that there be an actuarial relation between the several assessments and the several benefits, Provided, however, that the Board of Trustees shall have power to establish such maximum of annuities greater than $2,000 as shall be agreeable to sound actuarial practice.

§ VI. An Initial Reserve Fund, to be derived from voluntary gifts, shall be administered by the Church Pension Fund so as to assure to the present clergy and their families such addition to the support to which they may become entitled on the basis of assessments authorized by this Canon as may bring their several allowances up to the scale herein established. The Church Pension Fund shall not begin to levy or to collect assessments or to pay pensions anywhere until such Initial Reserve Fund shall amount to $5,000,000.

§ VII. The action of the Trustees of the General Clergy Relief Fund in accepting the provisions of Chapter 239 of the laws of 1915 of the State of New York, authorizing a merger with the Church Pension Fund, upon terms agreed upon between said two funds, is hereby approved. Any corporation, society or other organization which hitherto has administered clergy relief funds, may
to such extent as may be compatible with its corporate powers and its existing obligations, and in so far as may be sanctioned in the case of diocesan societies by the respective Dioceses, merge with the Church Pension Fund, or if merger be impracticable, may establish by agreement with the Church Pension Fund the closest practicable system of co-operation with that fund. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to the prejudice of existing corporations or societies whose funds are derived from payments made by members thereof.

§ VIII. The General Convention reserves the power to alter or amend this Canon, but no such alteration or amendment shall be made until after the same shall have been communicated to the Trustees of the Church Pension Fund and such Trustees shall have had ample opportunity to be heard with respect thereto.

CANON 60.

Of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

The Constitution of the said Society, which was incorporated by an act of the Legislature of the State of New York, as from time to time amended, is hereby amended and established so as to read as follows:

Constitution of The Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America as established in 1820, and since amended at various times.

ARTICLE I. This organization shall be called the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of
America, and shall be considered as comprehending all persons who are members of the Church. Until a Presiding Bishop is elected in accordance with the Constitution the Presiding Bishop of the Church shall be the Honorary President of the Society.

ARTICLE II. The National Council, as constituted by Canon, shall exercise all the powers of the Society, shall be its Board of Directors, and shall adopt by-laws for its government not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons.

ARTICLE III. The officers of the Society shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer. The President shall be the Presiding Bishop elected in accordance with the Constitution, and until such Presiding Bishop is so elected, the President of the National Council shall be ex-officio President of the Society. The Vice-President shall be the person who is the Vice-President of the National Council, and he shall have such powers and perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the by-laws. The Treasurer of the Society shall be elected by the General Convention, and shall hold office for three years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer through death, resignation or disability, the Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall appoint a Treasurer to fill such vacancy until the General Convention shall elect a Treasurer. The Secretary shall be the person who is the Secretary of the National Council. The Board of Directors may make by-laws to provide for the appointment of subordinate administrative officers. The tenure of office, compensation, powers and duties of the officers of the Society shall be such as are prescribed by the Canons and by the by-laws of the Society not inconsistent therewith.
ARTICLE IV. This Constitution of the Society may be altered or amended at any time by the General Convention of the Church.

CANON 61.

Of the Presiding Bishop and the National Council.

§ I. [i.] The Presiding Bishop and the National Council as hereinafter constituted, shall have charge of the unification, development and prosecution of the Missionary, Educational, and Social work of the Church, of which work the Presiding Bishop shall be the executive and administrative head.

[ii.] Until the Presiding Bishop is elected in accordance with the Constitution, a Bishop shall be elected in like manner, to exercise the powers assigned by this Canon to the Presiding Bishop, who shall be, with his successors in office, ex-officio, the President of the Council. In case of the death or disability of the Presiding Bishop so much of his duties as pertain to the National Council shall be performed by a Bishop elected for this purpose by the National Council to serve until the next General Convention.

§ II. [i.] The National Council, herein referred to as the Council, shall be composed of sixteen members elected triennially by the General Convention, of whom four shall be Bishops, four shall be Presbyters, and eight shall be Laymen; and of members elected by the Provincial Synods, each Synod having the right to elect one member at its last regular meeting prior to the triennial meeting of the General Convention, the President, Vice-President, and Treasurer of the Council shall be, ex-officio, members thereof.

At the General Convention of 1925, two Bishops, two Presbyters, and four Laymen shall be elected for
three years, and two Bishops, two Presbyters and four Laymen for six years, and thereafter, members to be elected by each General Convention, shall be elected for terms of six years.

[ii.] The term of office of the members of the Council, with the exception of the President, until 1925, shall be three years, commencing on the first day of January next after each regular triennial meeting of the General Convention, and they shall remain in office until their duly elected successors are entitled, respectively, to assume their offices. Should any vacancy occur through the death or resignation of a member elected by the General Convention, the Council shall fill such vacancy. Should any vacancy occur through the failure of any Provincial Synod to elect a member of the Council, or through the death, removal from the Province or resignation, of such member, the President of the Province shall appoint a member canonically resident in such Province, to serve until the Provincial Synod shall, by election, fill the vacancy.

[iii.] The Council shall exercise the powers conferred upon it by Canon, and such further powers as may be designated by the General Convention, and between sessions of the General Convention may initiate and develop such new work as it may deem necessary. It may, subject to the provision of this Canon enact By-laws for its own government and the government of its several departments.

It shall also exercise all the powers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, as provided by Section I of Article II of Canon 60 and shall be the sole Custodian of all the records and property, both real and personal, thereof, including all income therefrom, and shall have power to disburse the money of said Society in accordance with the provisions of
this Canon and the orders and budgets adopted or approved by the General Convention.

Vice-President.

§ III. [i.] The Presiding Bishop shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, a male communicant of the Church, either clerical or lay, to be Vice-President of the Council, who shall be a member of the Council and the Vice-Chairman of each of the Departments thereof, organized under the provisions of this Canon, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Presiding Bishop.

Secretary.

[ii.] The Council shall elect a Secretary and prescribe his duties.

Treasurer.

§ IV. [i.] The Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall, ex-officio, be the treasurer of the Council. He shall hold office for three years and until his successor is elected.

[ii.] The Treasurer shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the Presiding Bishop and the Council, such assistants as may be necessary, to hold office during his pleasure, and until their successors are appointed and confirmed.

[iii.] The Treasurer and each Assistant Treasurer shall furnish bonds for the faithful performance of their respective duties, in such form and amount as the Council shall prescribe.

[iv.] The accounts of the office of the Treasurer shall be audited annually by a certified public accountant and approved by the Council.

[v.] In the event of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer, the Council shall appoint a Treasurer to act until the General Convention shall elect a Treasurer.
§ V. [i.] The Council shall organize from its membership the following executive Departments and shall define their duties.

First: A Department of Missions and Church Extension.

Second: A Department of Religious Education.

Third: A Department of Christian Social Service.

Fourth: A Department of Finance.

Fifth: A Department of Publicity.

Sixth: A Field Department.

The Council shall have power to combine existing Departments and to organize and define the duties of such other Departments as the work may demand.

[ii.] Each Department may appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, additional members, not exceeding twelve, who shall have seats and votes in the Department, but shall have no seat or vote in the Council. Women shall be eligible to appointment as such additional members.

[iii.] The Presiding Bishop shall be, ex-officio, a member and the chairman of each Department, and may appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, an Executive Secretary for each Department, and such other secretaries as may be necessary, who shall perform such duties as the Department, subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, shall assign to them. Such secretaries shall hold office during the pleasure of the Presiding Bishop.

[iv.] Each Department shall, annually and at such other times as the Presiding Bishop or the Council may require, make full reports of its activities to the Presiding Bishop and to the Council.

§ VI. [i.] The Council shall meet with the Presiding Bishop at such place, and at such stated times,
at least four times each year, as it, with his con­currence, shall appoint, and at such other times as it may be convened. The Council shall be convened at the written request of any nine members thereof.

[ii.] Nine elected members of the Council, with the President or Vice-President, shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Council; Provided, however, that any nine members of the Council shall constitute a quorum for the election of a President to fill a vacancy.

§ VII. [i.] The salaries of the President and all other officers of the Council and of all agents and employees of the Council, shall be fixed by the Council and paid by the Treasurer.

[ii.] The salary of each Bishop of a Missionary District shall be paid by the Treasurer. Such salary shall date from the Bishop's consecration or from the date of his translation, if he be already consecrated, and shall not be diminished without his consent while such Bishop remains in charge of a District; Provided, however, that all contributions made by a Missionary District for the support of its Bishop, shall be reported to the Treasurer, and thereupon the salary of such Missionary Bishop shall be reduced to the extent of such contribution. And Provided further that whenever the Council shall be satisfied that a Missionary District is able to pay its Bishop a salary equal to that paid by the Treasurer as afore­said, the Council may, in its discretion, order the Treasurer to discontinue such payment, after six months notice given to the Council of Advice of such district.

§ VIII. [i.] The Council shall submit to the General Convention at each regular session thereof a program of its proposed activities for the triennium, including a detailed budget of that part of the program
for which it proposes to make appropriation for the ensuing year, and estimated budgets for the two succeeding years. In connection with the preparation of such budget the National Council shall, at least fifteen months before the session of the General Convention transmit to the President of each Province a statement of its existing appropriations for the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within such Province, showing the items for which such appropriations are expended, for the purpose of obtaining the advice of the Province as to changes therein. The Synod, or Council, of each Province shall thereupon, in such manner as the Synod shall determine, consider such budget and report its findings to the National Council for its information. The National Council shall also submit to the General Convention with the budget a plan for the apportionment to the respective Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the sum needed to execute the program.

[ii.] There shall be joint sessions of the two Houses for the presentation of such program; and thereafter consideration shall be given and appropriate action taken thereon by the General Convention. The National Council shall have the power to expend all sums of money covered by the budget and estimated budgets approved by the Convention. It shall also have power to undertake such other work provided for in the program approved by General Convention, or other work under the jurisdiction of the National Council, the need for which may have arisen after the action of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the National Council its income will warrant.

[iii.] Upon the adoption by the General Convention of a program and plan of apportionment for the ensuing triennium, the Council shall formally advise
each Diocese and Domestic Missionary District with respect to its proportionate part of the estimated expenditure involved in the execution of the program in accordance with the plan of apportionment adopted by the General Convention. Such quotas shall be determined by the Council upon an equitable basis.

[iv.] Each Diocese and District shall thereupon notify each Parish and Mission thereof of the amount of the quota allotted to such Diocese or District, and the amount of such quota to be raised by each Parish or Mission. If the Diocese so determines, the quota allotted by the Diocese or District to each Parish or Mission shall be the combined quota for General and Diocesan work. Each Diocese and District and the Parishes and Missions thereof shall then take necessary steps to raise their respective quotas.

§ IX. [i.] Every Missionary Bishop, or in case of a vacancy, the Bishop in charge of the District, receiving aid from the Council, shall report at the close of each fiscal year to the Council, giving account of his work, of money received from all sources and disbursed for all purposes, and of the state of the Church in his District at the date of such report, all in such form as the Council may prescribe.

[ii.] Every Bishop of a Diocese receiving aid from the Council shall report at the close of each fiscal year to the Council giving account of the work in his Diocese supported in whole or in part by the Council.

§ X. The Council, as soon as practicable after the close of each fiscal year, shall make and publish a full report of its work to the Church. Such report shall contain an itemized statement of all receipts and disbursements and a statement of all trust funds and other property of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of all other trust funds and
property in its possession or under its control. The Council shall make a like report including a detailed schedule of the salaries paid to all officers, agents and principal employees, to each General Convention.

§ XI. No person shall, under any power or authority delegated by this Canon, be appointed a Missionary, who is not, at the time, a Minister or a member of this Church, or of some Church in communion with this Church, in regular standing; Provided, however, that, at the request of the Bishop of a Diocese or Missionary District, other persons not so qualified may be employed for work not directly religious.

§ XII. This Canon shall take effect immediately and all Canons or parts of Canons inconsistent with the provisions of this Canon are hereby repealed.

CANON 62.
Of Repealed Canons.

Whenever there shall be a repealing clause in any Canon, and the said Canon shall be repealed, such repeal shall not be a re-enactment of the Canon or Canons repealed by the said repealing clause.

CANON 63.
Of the Enactment, Amendment, and Repeal of Articles of the Constitution and of Canons.

§ I. In all cases of future enactment, the same, if by the way of amendment of an existing provision shall be in the following form: "Canon , Section , Clause , is hereby amended so as to read as follows." And if the enactment is of an additional Clause, Section, or Canon, it shall be designated as the next Canon or next Section, or next Clause of a Canon or Section; and if a Canon or Section or Clause be stricken out, the existing numbering shall be retained until a new edition of the Canons be
of the General Convention shall, at the close of each regular meeting of the General Convention, appoint two of their number to certify the changes, if any, made in the Canons, including a correction of the references made in any Canon to another, and to report the said certified copy of changes, with the proper arrangement thereof, to the Secretary, who shall print the same in the Journal.

§ III. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution of each House of the General Convention shall, at the close of each regular meeting of the General Convention, appoint two of its members to certify the changes, if any, made in the Constitution, and to report the certified copy of changes to the Secretary, who shall print the same in the Journal.

CANON 64.

Of the Time of New Canons Taking Effect.

All Canons hereafter enacted, unless otherwise specially ordered, shall take effect on the first day of January following the adjournment of the General Convention at which they were made.

CANON 65.

Of the Time of These Canons Taking Effect.

These Canons, except as otherwise provided, shall take effect on the first day of January, in the year of our Lord, 1905; from and after which day all other Canons of this Church are hereby and shall be deemed to be repealed; Provided, that such repeal shall not affect any case of a violation of existing Canons committed before that date; but such case shall be governed by the same law as if no such repeal had taken place.
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