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To serve till 1940: the Bishop of California, the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of Albany.
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The Right Reverend
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*†Anson Rogers Graves, D.D., LL.D., Bishop.
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Harry Tunis Moore, D.D., Bishop of Dallas. Dallas, Texas.

Henry Judah Mikell, D.D., Bishop of Atlanta. Atlanta, Georgia.


*Robert Le Roy Harris, D.D., Bishop. Point Loma, California. [Resignation accepted October 2, 1929.]


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

Edward Lambe Parsons, D.D., Bishop of California. San Francisco, California.


William Bertrand Stevens, D.D., Bishop of Los Angeles. Los Angeles, California.
[January 1, 1932.]
Philip Cook, D.D., Bishop of Delaware. Wilmington, Delaware.
Granville Gaylord Bennett, D.D., Bishop of Duluth. Duluth, Minnesota.
Kirkman George Finlay, D.D., Bishop of Upper South Carolina. Columbia, South Carolina.
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William Matthews Merrick Thomas, D.D., Bishop of Southern Brazil. Porto Allegre, Brazil.
Norman Spencer Binsted, D.D., Bishop of Tohoku, Sendai, Japan.


William Scarlett, LL.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Missouri. St. Louis, Missouri.


Frederick Deane Goodwin, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia. Warsaw, Virginia.


Benjamin Tibbits Kemerer, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Duluth. Duluth, Minnesota.


Efrain Salinas, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of Mexico. Guadalajara, Mexico. [Consecrated September 29, 1931.]

[Total number, 152, including 11 Foreign Missionary Bishops, 21 resigned Bishops, and 14 Suffragan Bishops.]

Majority of the House, 77.

Majority of 136 entitled to vote, 69.

Constitutional quorum, 54.]

*Not present at the Session.

†Deceased after the Session.
This being the day and place appointed under its Constitution by the last Convention for the meeting of the General Convention of 1931, the Holy Communion was celebrated in St. John's Cathedral at half past seven o'clock by the Presiding Bishop; the Bishop of North Tokyo reading the Epistle and Bishop Vincent reading the Gospel. Several of the Bishops together with the Dean and his Assistants 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 Municipal Auditorium.

After Morning Prayer, the sermon was preached by the Rt. Rev. Michael Furse, D.D., Lord Bishop of St. Albans, England. An offering was received for the Missionary work of the Church.

The House of Bishops met for business in the Hall of the House of Representatives in the Capitol of the State of Colorado at three o'clock. The Bishops not previously presented were presented to the House, to-wit:


The Right Reverend George Craig Stewart, D.D., Bishop of Chicago, by the Bishop of Dallas and the Bishop of Ohio.

The Right Reverend Henry Knox Sherrill, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts, by the Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts.

The Right Reverend Frederick Deane Goodwin, D.D., Bishop-Coadjutor of Virginia, by the Bishops of Southwestern Virginia and Southern Virginia.


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 twelve (112) Bishops, being more than a quorum, were present, to-wit:

Bishop Vincent
Bishop of North Tokyo
Bishop of Shanghai
Bishop of Tennessee
Bishop of Alaska
Bishop of Western North Carolina
Bishop of Sacramento
Bishop of Indianapolis
Bishop of West Virginia
Bishop of Fond du Lac
Bishop of Mississippi
Bishop of Quincy
Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey
Bishop of Kentucky
Bishop of Missouri
Bishop of Western Michigan
Bishop of Georgia
Bishop of Maine
Suffragan Bishop of New York
(Bishop Lloyd)
Bishop of Western Nebraska
Bishop of Rhode Island
Bishop of San Joaquin
Bishop of Virginia
Bishop of Anking
Bishop of Iowa
Bishop of Minnesota
Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts
Bishop of Porto Rico
Bishop of New Mexico
Bishop of West Texas
Bishop of Montana
Bishop of Oregon
Bishop of East Carolina
Bishop of Cuba
Bishop of New Jersey
Bishop of Michigan
Bishop of Central New York
Bishop of Newark
Bishop of Kansas
Bishop of South Dakota
Bishop of Colorado
Bishop of Southern Virginia
Bishop of Dallas
Bishop of Atlanta
Bishop of Eastern Oregon
Suffragan Bishop of Arkansas
Bishop of Texas
Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi
Bishop of Nebraska
Bishop of California
Bishop of Louisiana
Bishop of Southwestern Virginia
Bishop of Utah
Bishop of Easton
Bishop of Los Angeles
The Presiding Bishop announced the death since the last meeting of the House of the following named Bishops, to-wit:

The Right Reverend Sidney Catlin Partridge, D.D., Bishop of West Missouri, died 22nd June, 1930;

The Right Reverend James Henry Darlington, D.D., Bishop of Harrisburg, died 14th August, 1930;

The Right Reverend William Andrew Leonard, D.D., Bishop of Ohio, died 21st September, 1930;

The Right Reverend Sheldon Munson Griswold, D.D., Bishop of Chicago, died 28th November, 1930;

The Right Reverend Thomas James Garland, D.D., Bishop of Pennsylvania, died 1st March, 1931;

The Right Reverend Richard Henry Nelson, D.D., Sometime Bishop of Albany, died 25th April, 1931;

The Right Reverend John Poyntz Tyler, D.D., Bishop of North Dakota, died 17th July, 1931.

He thereupon bade the House to prayer using the form prescribed in the Rules of Order.

The Bishop of Colorado presented to the Presiding Bishop The Right Reverend Michael Furse, D.D., Lord Bishop of St.
Albans, England, who was, in turn, presented to the House by the Presiding Bishop.

The House proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

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

The Chair then announced that on account of the very serious illness of Mrs. Pardee, Dr. Pardee was unable to attend this meeting of the General Convention.

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado, the Presiding Bishop was asked to appoint the secretarial staff to act for Dr. Pardee.

The Presiding Bishop appointed the Rev. John H. Fitzgerald of the Diocese of Long Island as Secretary, Pro tem, and the Rev. John Gerstenberg as the Assistant Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Mississippi these appointments were approved.

The Bishop of Indianapolis nominated the Bishop of Georgia as Vice-President of the House. The motion was duly seconded and carried. The Presiding Bishop called the Bishop of Georgia to a chair on the platform.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the regular sessions of the House were ordered to meet from 10 o'clock in the morning to 1:00 o'clock P.M., and from 3:00 o'clock until 5:00 o'clock in the afternoon.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as his Assessor the Bishop of South Dakota. On motion the appointment was approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Mississippi, two members of the House were appointed to transmit the first message of the House of Bishops to the House of Deputies. The Chair appointed the Bishop of Harrisburg and the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

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 South Dakota, the Rev. Russell Hubbard was elected as the Official Messenger of the House of Bishops.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 2.]
On motion of the Bishop of West Texas, the matter of the morning devotions of the House was referred to the Committee on Religious Services.

The Bishop of Colorado made several announcements pertaining to the comfort and entertainment of the members of the House while in Denver.

The Presiding Bishop announced the following standing committees:

1. *On Dispatch of Business.*—The Bishop of Georgia (Advisory Capacity), the Bishop of Newark, *Chairman*, the Bishop-Coadjutor of North Carolina.

2. *On Rules of Order.*—The Chairman (ex-officio), the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of Montana, the Bishop of Cuba, the Bishop of Dallas, the Bishop of Spokane.

3. *On Nominations of Missionary Bishops.*—The Bishop of West Texas, the Bishop of Porto Rico, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Colorado, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Tennessee, the Bishop of Florida, the Suffragan Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Massachusetts.

4. *On Amendments to the Constitution.*—Bishop Vincent, the Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop of Kansas, the Bishop of Alabama, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of New Hampshire.

5. *On Canons.*—Bishop Vincent, the Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop of Kansas, the Bishop of Alabama, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of New Hampshire.

6. *On Memorials and Petitions.*—The Bishop of Shanghai, the Bishop of Missouri, the Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts, the Bishop of Haiti, the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the Bishop of Wyoming, the Bishop of South Carolina.

7. *On Domestic Missions.*—The Bishop of Alaska, the Bishop of Mississippi, the Bishop of Iowa, the Bishop of Oregon, the Bishop of Louisiana, the Bishop of Ohio, the Bishop of Mexico.

8. *On Foreign Missions.*—The Bishop of Tennessee, the Bishop of Indianapolis, the Suffragan Bishop of New York (Bishop Lloyd) the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of Los Angeles, the Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Chicago.

9. *On Rural Work.*—The Bishop-Coadjutor of Mississippi, the Bishop of Easton, the Suffragan Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of Vermont, the Bishop of Olympia, the Bishop-Coadjutor of South Florida, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Virginia.

10. *On Prayer Book.*—The Bishop of Atlanta, the Bishop of California, the Bishop-Coadjutor of West Virginia, the Bishop of Northern Indiana, the Bishop of Eau Claire, the Bishop of West Missouri, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Minnesota.

11. *On Christian Education.*—The Bishop of Fond du Lac, the Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey, the Bishop of Anking, the Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Arizona, the Suffragan Bishop of Los Angeles, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Duluth.
12. **On Social Service.**—The Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of Texas, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Bethlehem, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Missouri, the Suffragan Bishop of New York (Bishop Gilbert), the Bishop of Long Island.

13. **On Consecration of Bishops.**—The Bishop of Sacramento, the Bishop of Liberia, the Bishop of North Texas, the Bishop of Southern Brazil, the Bishop of Nevada, the Bishop of Lexington, the Bishop of Idaho.

14. **On New Dioceses.**—The Bishop of Quincy, the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, the Suffragan Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of Maryland, the Bishop of Tohoku, the Bishop of Harrisburg.

15. **On Conduct of Religious Services.**—The Bishop of San Joaquin, the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop of Southwestern Virginia, the Bishop of Utah, the Bishop of Springfield, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Milwaukee.

16. **On The General Theological Seminary.**—The Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of Salina, the Bishop of Erie, the Bishop of Kyoto, the Bishop of Honolulu, the Bishop of Marquette.

17. **On Unfinished Business.**—The Bishop of North Tokyo, the Bishop of East Carolina, the Bishop of Hankow, the Bishop of Nebraska, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Montana, the Bishop of Upper South Carolina, the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

On motion of the Bishop of Western Michigan, a committee on Resignation of Bishops was added to the list of standing committees. The Presiding Bishop appointed as this committee:

The Bishop of Western North Carolina, the Bishop of West Texas, the Bishop of Western Nebraska.

The Presiding Bishop then presented by title the following memorials and petitions:

A memorial from the Province of the Pacific relative to Pensions for Deaconesses, which was referred to the Committee on Deaconesses.

A communication from the Province of the Pacific in the matter of raising quotas in Parishes which was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

A memorial from the Province of the Pacific relative to a budget system which was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

A communication from the Diocese of Central New York on the matter of Prohibition together with a marked copy of the Bishops' Convention Address which was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

A resolution from the Diocese of Central New York offering amendments to Canon 44, § I., which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A resolution from the Diocese of Central New York on the matter of an adequate pension system for Deaconesses, which was referred to the Committee on Deaconesses.
A resolution from the Diocese of Western Massachusetts in connection with the proposed new Canon on Marriage and Divorce which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A resolution from the Diocese of Western Massachusetts relative to a pension system for Deaconesses which was referred to the Commission on Deaconesses.

A resolution from the Diocese of Tennessee to amend Canon 44, § I., which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A resolution from the Diocese of Los Angeles to amend Canon 44, § I., which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A resolution from the Diocese of Montana relative to the use of appropriation for evangelistic work which was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

A resolution from the Diocese of Montana asking for consideration of the schools and hospitals receiving appropriation from the Church's Program which was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

Resolutions from the National Council suggesting amendments to Canons 60, 61, 17 and 18, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A resolution from the National Council on making the Publicity Department the sole channel of publicity which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A resolution from the National Council on discharging the Commission on American Churches in Europe which was referred to the Joint Commission on American Churches.

A resolution from the National Council suggesting a pension plan for Deaconesses which was referred to the Commission on Deaconesses.

A resolution from the National Council on the report of the Joint Commission on King Theological Hall which was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

A communication from the National Council containing the report of the Committee on Church Colleges which was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

A resolution from the National Council suggesting the consultation with the college commission when filling vacancies in college communities which was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

A resolution from the National Council on suggested subsidy to Church weeklies which was referred to the Committee on Petitions and Memorials.

A resolution from the National Council relative to the observance of the two hundredth anniversary of George Washington which was referred to the Committee on Petitions and Memorials.

A communication from William Montgomery Brown asking to be reinstated in the House of Bishops, which was retained to be considered by the Bishops in Council.

A communication from the Bishop of Mexico asking for the election of a Suffragan Bishop of Mexico which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

A communication from the Bishop of Alaska asking for the election of a Suffragan Bishop for the Missionary District of Alaska which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.
A communication from the Bishop of Chicago inviting the General Convention to meet in Chicago in 1937. The Chair received the communication with appreciation and said it would be filed and considered in proper time.

A communication from His Grace the Lord Bishop of Canterbury relative to the consultive body of the Lambeth Conference which was retained to be considered by the Bishops in Council.

A memorial from the Bishop of New Jersey relative to proposed alteration of Diocesan Boundary between the Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey, which was referred to the Committee on New Dioceses.

A communication from the World Narcotic Defense Association which was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

A resolution from the Bishop of New Jersey on the matter of the position of the Epistles and Gospels in future editions of the Prayer Book which was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

Invitations from the Dioceses of Minnesota, New Jersey and Ohio for the meeting of the next General Convention which were referred to the Committee on the meeting place of the next Convention.

The House rose to receive the Rev. Dr. Powell and Mr. Seymour 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 their House:

MESSAGE No. 1. First Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 1931.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has completed its organization by the election of the Rev. ZeBarney T. 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 following resolution was presented by the Bishop of Washington, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, the present world situation is one that involves grave issues, affecting every phase of our individual and co-operative life;

Therefore, Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting of 7 Bishops, 7 Presbyters, and 7 Laymen be appointed to which shall be presented for consideration the following major questions:

A. World Peace.
B. Industrial and economic dislocation.
C. Lawlessness and kindred subjects.

Said Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to General Convention during the present session.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as members of this Joint Committee on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of California, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop Coadjutor of Missouri, and the Bishop of Massachusetts.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 3.]
The following resolution was presented by the Bishop of Delaware, which was adopted and referred to the Committee on Despatch of Business:

Resolved, That this House adopt an order of the day at eleven o'clock in the morning for each day on and after Monday, September 21st, Saturdays excepted, for the consideration of matters contained in the reports presented by the Committee on Budget and Program.

The following resolution was presented by the Bishop of Washington. Action was deferred to the following day.

Resolved, That this House felicitates the Bishop of Tennessee, Rt. Rev. Thomas Gailor, upon the anniversary of his birth and tenders to him the warm affection of his brothers, praying that as his days so may his strength be.

On motion the House adjourned.

SECOND DAY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH, 1931.

The House of Bishops was called to order at 10:00 o'clock, with the Vice-President in the Chair.

The names of the Bishops who were not present on the first day were called. The Bishop of New Hampshire appeared and took his seat.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read and, after corrections were made, were approved.

The Committee on Despatch of Business reported that it had organized with the Bishop of Newark as Chairman.

The following message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 2.

First Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 16TH, 1931.

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 Session of the two Houses for Friday, September 18th, as provided in the Official Program of the Joint Committee on Arrangements for this Convention, be and it is hereby approved and ordered.

Resolved, That at this Joint Session the privileges of the floor shall be given to the Officers, Secretaries and members of the National Council, to the Presidents of Church Colleges, to the Deans of Church Seminaries and to the official delegates to the Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

**MESSAGE No. 3:**  First Day of Session, September 16th, 1931.

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

*Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Mr. Raymond F. Barnes 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 Deputies by Message No. 5.]

The Bishop of California presented a report of the Joint Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to Present Tasks of the Church, which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of California presented the Report of the Committee to which was referred the report of the Commission on Provinces, which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of California presented the report of the Commission on the Revision and Enrichment of the Book of Common Prayer, which was committed to the Liturgical Committee.

The Bishop of Tennessee presented a report on Faith and Order which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of Albany presented a resolution on Peace and War which was referred to the Joint Committee appointed to consider the questions of the present world situation.

The Bishop of East Carolina presented the report of the National Commission on Evangelism which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of Western Michigan presented the report of the Joint Commission on the American Churches in Europe with the following resolution, which was adopted:

*Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on the American Churches in Europe be discontinued.*

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

The Bishop of Anking presented a resolution to amend Canon 14, § II. [ii.], which was committed to the Committee on Canons.
The Bishop of Central New York presented a memorial on temperance reform, which was committed to the Joint Committee on National and World Problems.

On motion of the Bishop of Central New York, the memorial on prohibition presented yesterday and committed to the Committee on Social Service, was returned to the House and committed to the Joint Committee on National and World Problems.

The Bishop of Central New York presented a resolution concerning reports of Joint Commissions and Committees of General Convention, which was committed to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Eastern Oregon presented a report of the Special Committee on Church Army which was placed upon the Calendar and a resolution appended thereto was committed to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Minnesota reported that the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution was organized with the Bishop of West Virginia as Chairman and the Bishop of Minnesota as Secretary.

The Bishop of Minnesota reported that the Committee on Canons was organized with the Bishop of West Virginia as Chairman and the Bishop of Minnesota as Secretary.

The Bishop of San Joaquin presented suggested revisions in the Rules of Order. On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the matter was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order for further consideration.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the Committee on Canons was permitted to retire from the House at 11:30 o'clock.

The Bishop of Central New York presented a resolution to amend Canon 43, which was committed to the Committee on Canons.

At this point the Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Presiding Bishop presented the official acts of the Presiding Bishops since the last General Convention, as follows:


October 29, 1928—Received notice from the Archbishop and Metropolitan of New Westminster, Canada, that on the 9th day of September, 1928, he Consecrated the Venerable George Alexander Rix to be a Bishop in the See of Caledonia, Province of British Columbia, which notice was duly certified by I. H. MacGill, Registrar.
November 10, 1928—As of October 1, 1928, sent to Archbishops of Canterbury and York list of our Bishops Consecrated during Triennium from October 1, 1925 to September 30, 1928.


November 30, 1928—The Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Albert Sidney Thomas took place as ordered by me on November 19, 1928.

December 3, 1928—The Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Norman Spencer Binsted took place as ordered by me on November 19, 1928.

December 9, 1928—I held a Dedicatory Service in and for Windham House, assisted by Bishop Arthur Selden Lloyd, in the presence of a godly company of Godly women comprising the Executive Board of the Woman’s Auxiliary and others: also present were Dr. John W. Wood, Executive Secretary of the Department of Missions, Dr. Lewis B. Franklin, Vice-President of the National Council and other officers of different departments.

December 27, 1928—Took order for Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Thomas Jenkins, Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Nevada, as follows: Time, Friday, January 25, 1929, St. Paul’s Day; Place, Trinity Church, Portland, Oregon; Consecrators, The Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Walter Taylor Sumner, Bishop of Oregon, the Rt. Dr. Arthur Wheelock Moulton, Bishop of Utah; Presenters, The Rt. Rev. Dr. Peter Trimble Rowe, Bishop of Alaska and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Middleton Stuart Barnwell, Bishop of Idaho; Preacher, The Rt. Rev. Dr. Louis Childs Sanford, Bishop of San Joaquin; Attending Presbyters, The Very Rev. Dr. Horace M. Ramsey, St. Stephen’s Pro-

January 6, 1929—Feast of the Epiphany. Consecrated Cathedral "Holy Trinity" in Port au Prince, Haiti and preached sermon. The Bishops of Haiti, New Jersey, Porto Rico and the Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey were present and participated in service.

January 25, 1929—St. Paul's Day. The Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Thomas Jenkins took place as ordered by me this date.


February 18, 1929—Received notice from Samuel Pritchard, Archbishop and Metropolitan of Rupert's Land, that on Sexagesima Sunday, February 3, 1929, with the assistance of numerous other Bishops whom he named, he consecrated the Venerable Dr. William Archibald Geddes, Bishop of the See of Mackenzie River, in the Province of Rupert's Land.

Designated the Rt. Rev. Dr. Burleson my substitute in charge of the Missionary District of Honolulu during present Episcopal Interregnum.

March 1, 1929—Received notice from Francis Lushington Norris, Bishop in North China, of the Consecration on Sunday, January 6, 1929, Epiphany Sunday, of the Rev. John Curtis, D.D., as Bishop in the Church of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of Chekiang. Consecrators were Bishop in North China, Bishop of Anking and Bishop in Shantung, assisted by others.

Trinity Church, Elmira, New York; Master of Ceremonies, The Rev. Robert D. Vinter, Rector of Christ Church, La Crosse, Wisconsin; Assistant Master of Ceremonies, The Rev. Harry S. Ruth, Rector St. Andrew's Church, Ashland, Wisconsin; Deputy Registrar, The Rev. Albert K. Head, Rector St. Alban's Church, Spooner, Wisconsin.

April 4, 1929—Having received and accepted letter of transfer of Bishop N. S. Thomas on January 16, 1929 from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, at the request of said Bishop Thomas, I this date granted him letter of transfer to the Diocese of South Florida.

April 8, 1929—Received notice from Bishop of South Florida that he had received and accepted said letter of transfer of Bishop Thomas, date of record being April 6, 1929.


May 1, 1929—The Consecration of the Rev. Dr. Frank Elmer Wilson took place as ordered.

May 15, 1929—The Consecration of the Rev. Dr. H. P. Almon Abbott took place as ordered.

June 10, 1929—Received notice from Logan Herbert Roots, Bishop of Hankow, of the Consecration on February 24, 1929, being the Feast of St. Matthias, of Philip Lindel Tsen, he having been duly chosen Assistant Bishop of Honau. Consecrators were the Bishops of Hankow, Honau and Anking.


November 19, 1929—Acting under the Provision of Canon 51, § 5, the Presiding Bishop and the Reverend ZeBarney T. Phillips, President of the House of Deputies at the last General Convention, appointed Mr. Raymond F. Barnes of the Diocese of Long Island as Treasurer of the General Convention to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Mr. W. W. Skiddy.

November 21, 1929—Mr. Raymond F. Barnes notified me that he had accepted his election as Treasurer of the General Convention.

November 29, 1929—Received notice from the Reverend Samuel Harrington Littell, D.D., that he accepted the election as Bishop of the Missionary District of Honolulu, subject to confirmation by the Standing Committees.

November 29, 1929—Notified the Standing Committees of the Dioceses of the election by the House of Bishops on November 13th, 1929 of the Reverend Samuel Harrington Littell, D.D., as Bishop of the Missionary District of Honolulu.


December 9, 1929—Presided at meeting of American Church Institute for Negroes at the Church Missions House at 2:30 P.M.

December 9, 1929—Addressed a Mass Meeting of the Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Long Island in the Academy of Music, Brooklyn. The Bishop of Long Island presided.

December 10, 1929—Presided at a meeting of the Department of Missions of the National Council, and in the evening at the meeting of the Field Department of the National Council.

December 11, 1929—Celebrated Holy Communion in the Chapel of the Church Missions House, assisted by the Bishop of South Dakota. Presided at a meeting of the National Council.

December 12, 1929—Presided at the meeting of the National Council.

December 17, 1929—At the request of Mr. Raymond F. Barnes, Treasurer of the General Convention, I approved of the transfer of his accounts as said Treasurer from the New York Trust Company to the Brooklyn Trust Company.

December 18, 1929—Received notice of the death of the Rt. Rev. Lucien Lee Kinsolving, D.D., formerly Bishop of Brazil.

December 24, 1929—Received notice of the death of the Rt. Rev. Davis Sessums, D.D., Bishop of Louisiana.

December 24, 1929—Appointed the Rt. Rev. Nathaniel Seymour Thomas, D.D., Bishop in charge of the American Churches in Europe for one year from this date.

December 26, 1929—Sent notice to the Bishops of the consent of a canonical majority of the Standing Committees to the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Cameron Josiah Davis, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Western New York.


December 30, 1929—Received notice that the Bishop of Southern Virginia had, on account of his illness, requested the Bishop Coadjutor to act temporarily and until further notice as Ecclesiastical Authority in the Diocese.


January 6, 1930—Received statement from Raymond F. Barnes, Treas. of the General Convention that he had made arrangements with the U. S. Fidelity and Guarantee Co. to include under his general bond of $50,000.00 the interest of the General Convention.

January 7, 1930—Appointed the Rev. Karl Morgan Block, D.D., a member of the Commission on the Ministry, of the Department of Religious Education, on the nomination of the Seventh Province.


March 26, 1930—Appointed the Bishop of South Dakota as my Assessor.

April 7, 1930—Received official notification from the Consecrator, the Bishop of South Dakota, that the Consecration of the Rev. Hayward S. Ablewhite took place as ordered in St. Paul's Cathedral, Marquette, Michigan, on Tuesday, March 25, 1930.
April 8, 1930—Took Order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Henry Wise Hobson, Bishop Coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Southern Ohio, as follows: Time and Place, Thursday, May 1, 1930, Christ Church, Cincinnati, Ohio; Consecrator, Bishop Vincent; Co-Consecrators, the Bishop of Ohio and the Bishop of Southern Ohio; Presenters, the Bishop of Western Massachusetts, and Bishop Atwood; Preacher, the Bishop of New Hampshire; Attending Presbyters, the Rev. John Neher Lewis, and the Rev. James Thayer Addison.

April 8, 1930—Took order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. William Scarlett, LL.D., Bishop Coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Missouri, as follows: Time and Place, Tuesday, May 6, 1930, Christ Church Cathedral, St. Louis, Missouri; Consecrator, Bishop Vincent; Co-Consecrators, the Bishop of Missouri and the Bishop of West Texas; Presenters, the Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio, and the Bishop of Michigan; Preacher, Bishop Atwood; Attending Presbyters, the Rev. Sidney E. Sweet, and the Rev. Carroll M. Davis, D.D.

April 8, 1930—Granted permission for more than three months absence from his diocese to the Bishop of Mexico, in order that he might attend the Lambeth Conference, and make visits in the United States.

April 8, 1930—Granted permission for more than three months absence from the Missionary District of Porto Rico to the Suffragan Bishop of Porto Rico, because of illness.

April 12, 1930—Renewed the appointment of the Rt. Rev. Nathaniel S. Thomas, D.D., to take charge of the American Churches in Europe as my substitute until the close of Lambeth Conference in August, 1930.

April 25, 1930—Forwarded Mandates to Consecrate Bishops-elect Hobson and Scarlett to Bishop Vincent, Consecrator.

May 1, 1930—The Consecration of the Reverend Henry Wise Hobson took place as ordered.

May 6, 1930—The Consecration of the Rev. William Scarlett, LL.D., took place as ordered.

May 10, 1930—Sent notice to Presidents of all Standing Committees requesting strict conformance with provisions of Canon XIII. § I [iii.].

May 19, 1930—Forwarded Mandates to Consecrate Bishop-elect Gooden to Bishop of Los Angeles, Consecrator.

May 21, 1930—Took order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Robert Burton Gooden, D.D., Suffragan Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Los Angeles, as follows: Time and Place, Tuesday, May 27, 1930 at 10:30 a.m., St. Paul's Cathedral, Los Angeles, California; Consecrator, the Bishop of Los Angeles; Co-Consecrators, the Bishop of San Joaquin and the Bishop of Sacramento; Presenters, the Bishop of Arizona and the Bishop of Nevada; Preacher, the Bishop of California.

May 21, 1930—Received official notice from the Archbishop of Armagh of the Consecration of the Venerable Arthur William Barton, B.D., as Bishop of Kilmore and Elphin and Ardagh on May 1, 1930.


June 7, 1930—Took order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. George Craig Stewart, D.D., L.H.D., Bishop Coadjutor-elect of Chicago, as follows: Time and Place, Wednesday, June 18, 1930, St. Luke's Church, Evanston, Illinois; Consecrator, the Presiding Bishop; Co-Consecrators, the Bishop of Chicago, and the Bishop of Kentucky;
Presenters, the Bishop of New York, and the Bishop of Fond du Lac; Preacher, the Bishop of Ohio; Attending Presbyters, the Rev. William Francis Taylor, and the Rev. E. Reginald Williams.

June 16, 1930—Granted permission to the Bishop of Cuba for more than three months absence from his Missionary District to enable him to attend Lambeth Conference.

June 17, 1930—Took order, through my Assessor, for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, D.D., Bishop-elect of Massachusetts, as follows: Time and Place, October 14, 1930, Trinity Church, Boston, Massachusetts; Consecrator, the Presiding Bishop; Co-Consecrators, Bishop Lawrence and the Bishop of Pittsburgh; Preacher, Bishop Lawrence; Presenters, Bishop Atwood and the Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts; Attending Presbyters, the Rev. Dwight Hadley, and the Rev. Arthur O. Phinney.

June 18, 1930—Consecrated the Rev. George Craig Stewart, D.D., in accordance with the order taken.

July 3, 1930—Received notice of the death of the Bishop of West Missouri on June 22, 1930.

July 9, 1930—in accordance with request of Bishop Reese, I transferred back to the Diocese of Georgia, the Rev. Manning Mason Patillo, Deacon, and removed his name from the Presiding Bishop's List.

July 27, 1930—Granted permission for more than three months absence from his Missionary District to the Bishop of North Tokyo.

August 20, 1930—Received notice of the death of the Bishop of Harrisburg on August 14, 1930.

September 23, 1930—Received notice of the death of the Bishop of Ohio on September 21, 1930.

September 24, 1930—Notified the Secretary of the House of Bishops that the Rt. Rev. Dr. James Craik Morris was translated from the Missionary District of the Canal Zone to the Diocese of Louisiana as of September 24, 1930.

September 24, 1930—Appointed the Bishop of Louisiana to be Bishop temporarily in charge of the Missionary District of the Canal Zone.

October 2, 1930—Took order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Frederick Deane Goodwin, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Virginia, as follows: Time and Place, Thursday, October 16, 1930, North Farnham Parish Church, Farnham, Virginia; Consecrator, The Bishop of Virginia; Co-Consecrators, the Bishop of West Virginia and Suffragan Bishop of New York (Bishop Lloyd); Preacher, Bishop Lloyd; Presenters, the Bishop of Southwestern Virginia and the Bishop of Southern Virginia; Attending Presbyters, the Rev. Frederick Goodwin Ribble, D.D., and the Rev. William Archer Rutherford Goodwin, D.D.

October 3, 1930—Approved "Exhibit of Changes in the Constitution and Canons of the Missionary District of San Joaquin, enacted by the Convocation of January 23rd, and January 29th, 1930."

October 4, 1930—Took order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Robert Nelson Spencer, Bishop Coadjutor-elect of West Missouri, as follows: Time and Place, Tuesday, October 28, 1930, SS. Simon and Jude, Grace and Holy Trinity Church, Kansas City, Missouri; Consecrator, the Bishop of West Texas; Co-Consecrators, the Bishop of New Mexico and the Bishop of Kansas; Preacher, the Bish-
op of Delaware: Presenters, the Bishop of Dallas and the Bishop of Springfield; Attending Presbyters, the Rev. Edward J. Haughton, and the Venerable Albert Watkins, Archdeacon of West Missouri.

October 4, 1930—Received notification from Bishop Hobson that the Rt. Rev. Paul Jones has accepted the pastoral charge of St. Paul’s Church, Greenville, Ohio, and has been enrolled among the clergy of the Diocese of Southern Ohio, with seat and vote in the Diocesan Convention, as of August 1, 1930.

October 4, 1930—Took order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Charles Kendall Gilbert, D.D., Suffragan Bishop-elect of New York, as follows: Time and Place, Tuesday, October 28, 1930, SS. Simon and Jude, Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York; Consecrator, the Presiding Bishop; Co-Consecrators, the Bishop of New York and the Suffragan Bishop of New York (Bishop Lloyd); Presenting Bishops, the Bishop of Long Island and the Bishop of New York; Preacher, the Bishop of New York; Attending Presbyters, the Rev. N. O. Hutton, and the Rev. I. A. McGrew, Chaplain Hobart College, Geneva, New York.

October 7, 1930—Appointed the Bishop of Ohio to take place of Bishop Leonard, deceased, on Special Committee on Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop.

October 14, 1930—Consecrated the Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, D.D., in accordance with the order taken.

October 16, 1930—The Consecration of the Rev. Frederick Deane Goodwin, D.D., took place as ordered.

October 27, 1930—Took order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Benjamin Tibbitts Kemerer, Bishop Coadjutor-elect of Duluth, as follows: Time and Place, Wednesday, November 5, 1930, St. Paul’s Church, Duluth, Minnesota; Consecrator, the Bishop of New Mexico; Co-Consecrators, the Bishop of Minnesota, and the Bishop of Western Michigan; Preacher, the Bishop of Duluth; Presenters, the Bishop Coadjutor of Fond du Lac, and the Bishop of Wyoming; Attending Presbyters, the Rev. E. C. Biller, and the Rev. Earl B. Jewell.


October 28, 1930—Consecrated the Rev. Charles Kendall Gilbert in accordance with the order taken.

November 5, 1930—The Consecration of the Rev. Benjamin Tibbitts Kemerer took place as ordered.

November 28, 1930—Received notice of the death of the Bishop of Chicago on November 28, 1930.

February, 1931—Received from the Dean of the Province of South Africa notice that the Rt. Rev. Francis Robinson Phelps, Bishop of Grahamstown, had been duly and Canonically Collated to the See of Cape Town, and the Archbishopric of the Province of South Africa.

February 29, 1931—Received notice of the death of the Bishop of Pennsylvania on February 28, 1931.

March 1, 1931—Appointed my Assessor, the Rt. Rev. H. L. Burleson, S.T.D., to make visitation to the American Churches in Europe during the month of May, 1931.

April 1, 1931—Took Order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Reverend Wyatt Brown, D.D., Litt.D., Bishop-elect of Harrisburg, as follows: Time and Place, Friday, May 1, 1931, SS. Philip and James,
St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania; Consecrator, the Presiding Bishop; Co-Consecrators, the Bishop of Central New York, and the Bishop of Delaware; Presenters, the Bishop of Maryland, and the Bishop-Coadjutor of Western New York; Preacher, the Bishop of Lexington; Attending Presbyters, the Rev. Bertram E. Brown, and the Rev. Francis F. Lynch.

April 15, 1931—Received from the Bishop of Nevada for approval or comment proposed revision of canons for that District.


April 27, 1931—Complying with the Provisions of Canon gave to the Bishops of the Church notice of the resignation of his jurisdiction by the Bishop of Arkansas, quoting communication from him dated April, 1931.

April, 1931—In April appointed the Bishop of New Jersey a member of the Committee on Canons.

May 1, 1931—Consecrated the Reverend Wyatt Brown, D.D., in accordance with order taken.

June 13, 1931—Received notice from the Archbishop of Capetown of the Consecration of the Rev. Charles Christopher Watts to be Bishop of St. Helena.

June 15, 1931—Took order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Rev. Stephen Edwards Keeler, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor-elect of Minnesota, as follows: Time and Place, June 24, 1931, St. John Baptist Day, Chrysostom's Church, Chicago, Illinois; Consecrator, the Presiding Bishop; Co-Consecrators, the Bishop of Minnesota and the Bishop of Chicago; Presenters, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, and the Bishop of Springfield; Preacher, the Bishop of Ohio; Attending Presbyters, the Rev. Ralph H. Hayden, and the Rev. Frederick D. Butler.


June 26, 1931—Received notice from the Primus of Scotland of the Consecration of the Rev. John Russell Darbyshire, M.A., as Bishop of Glasgow and Galloway.

July 10, 1931—Complying with provisions of Canon gave to the Bishops of the Church notice of the resignation of his jurisdiction by the Bishop of North Dakota quoting communication from him dated July 3, 1931.

July 13, 1931—Received notice of the death of the Bishop of North Dakota on July 13, 1931.

July 30, 1931—Appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Duluth to be Bishop-in-Charge of the District of North Dakota until the meeting of the General Convention, 1931.

August 8, 1931—Received from the Bishop of Anking notification of Resolution of the General Synod of the Chinese Church, providing that the part of the Province of Kiangsi lying south of latitude 28 degrees north be and hereby is transferred from the Diocese of Victoria to the District of Anking.

August 25, 1931—Transferred the Rev. Michael L. Daly, Presbyter, from the Presiding Bishop's List to the Diocese of San Joaquin.
The Chair presented by title the reports of the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer and of the Registrar.

The Bishop of Newark presented the report of the Joint Commission on Church Music, which was accepted. He also presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the fourth Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted; that the authorization therein requested be granted, 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. 8.]

The Bishop of Colorado offered a resolution to arrange a meeting of the Bishops in Council for Saturday morning, together with an invitation to the Lord Bishop of St. Albans to attend the meeting. This resolution was amended by the Bishop of Tennessee to read as follows:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops go into Council Saturday morning at 11:00 o'clock to consider matters to come before that Council.

This amendment was adopted.

Resolved, That the Rules of Order be suspended and that the Lord Bishop of St. Albans be invited to a seat in that Council.

This amendment was adopted by over a two-thirds vote.

The Chair announced the appointment of the Bishop of Long Island on the Committee on Social Service.

The Chair presented by title the report of the Committee on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop, which was committed to the same Committee.

The Chair presented by title a new Canon of clergy and congregations affiliated with this Church, which was committed to the Committee on Canons.
The Chair presented by title a memorial on Non-Episcopal Confirmations, which was retained for the Bishops in Council.

Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi presented by title report of the Commission of Rural Work, which was re-committed to the same committee.

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

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 7.]

The Bishop of Kentucky reported for the Committee on Rules of Order and offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That Rule 16 be amended by inserting following the words "from such decision" these words: "The decision of the Chair shall stand unless overruled by a two-thirds majority of the members present."

The Bishop of Kentucky offered the following amendment to the Rules of Order:

Resolved, That Rule 27 be amended by inserting at the end "Without the consent of a two-thirds majority of the whole House of Bishops, no business shall be considered at a special meeting of the House of Bishops except that mentioned in the call for the meeting."

This resolution was recommitted to the Committee on Rules of Order for further consideration.

On motion the House took a recess for 45 minutes.

Upon reassembling the following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE NO. 5. Second Day of Session, September 17th, 1931.

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

WHEREAS, The United States Yorktown Sesquicentennial Commission of the Congress has invited this Church, together with all other religious bodies in the United States, to participate in the Sesquicentennial Celebration of our National Independence secured at Yorktown, and has specifically suggested that on Sunday, October the 18th,
1931, prayers of thanksgiving be offered for the blessings of liberty and for the kind Providence which has sought to guide this Nation and people, Therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church hereby accepts, in the name of this Church, the invitation of the United States Yorktown Sesquicentennial Commission to participate spiritually in this National Celebration, and urges all the Churches and people of our Communion and fellowship to observe Sunday, October 18th, 1931, in appropriate ways, to the end that our people may be made more deeply mindful and more deeply grateful of the blessings which have come to us from God through the sacrifice and devotion of our Patriot Forefathers.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The Bishop of Tennessee moved that a Joint Committee of Conference be asked to consider a change in the phraseology of this Message, which was adopted. The Chair thereupon appointed the following Bishops on this Committee:

The Bishop of Tennessee, the Bishop of Kentucky, the Bishop of Southern Virginia.

The Bishop of Delaware presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Advance Work created by the General Convention of 1928. The report was accepted and the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Committee be discharged.

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

The Bishop of Delaware presented the Report of the Joint Committee on Adjustment of Quotas, together with a resolution that the Committee be discharged. The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

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

On motion the House adjourned.

THIRD DAY
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1931.

The House of Bishops was called to order at 10:00 o'clock with the Presiding Bishop in the Chair.

The names of the Bishops not previously present were called. The Bishop of Liberia and the Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia appeared and took their seats.
A Lesson of Holy Scripture was read by the Bishop Coadjutor of Duluth. Prayers were said by the Presiding Bishop.

The Minutes were read and, after correction, were accepted as amended.

The Bishop of Newark offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops for its part approves of that part of the program of General Convention providing for a Joint Session of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies and Lay Organizations on Friday, September 18, and the agenda for the first session hereto attached.

GENERAL CONVENTION
Joint Session, Friday, September 18, 1931
11:00 A.M.—1:00 P.M.
2:30 P.M.—5:00 P.M.

11:00 A.M.—11:20 A.M. Organization of Session. (Adoption of Agenda.) Statement by President that Council does not want any resolutions adopted by Joint Session and that all matters for definite action will be presented in due course to business session. Request that discussion be deferred until business session, but note that full opportunity will be given for questions at Joint Session.

Report of President.

11:35 A.M.—12:00 M. Report of Treasurer.
12:00 M. —12:05 P.M. Noonday Prayers.
12:05 P.M.—12:15 P.M. Presentation of Standard Book of Common Prayer—Bishop Parsons.

12:15 P.M.—12:45 P.M. Domestic Missions 20 min. 10 min.
12:45 P.M.—1:00 P.M. Am. Ch. Inst. for Negroes 10 min. 5 min.
2:30 P.M.—3:05 P.M. Foreign Missions. The Foreign Missions Report should include a report of the St. Luke's International Campaign, and also a statement of the Council's action on India REPORT QUESTIONS
25 min. 10 min.

3:05 P.M.—3:35 P.M. Religious Education 20 min. 10 min.
3:35 P.M.—4:05 P.M. Social Service 25 min. 5 min.
4:05 P.M.—4:25 P.M. Publicity 15 min. 5 min.
4:25 P.M.—4:45 P.M. Field 15 min. 5 min.
4:45 P.M.—5:00 P.M. Woman's Auxiliary 10 min. 5 min.

The Bishop of Newark made the following Report of the Committee on Despatch of Business. On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the report was accepted and the resolution adopted:
The Committee on Despatch of Business to whom was referred the request for the appointment of times for the presentation of matters concerning the Missionary Budget and Program recommends that the hours from eleven to twelve o'clock on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, September 21, 22, 23 be set apart for this purpose; it offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That from eleven until twelve o'clock on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings of September 21, 22 and 23, the Order of the Day be the report of the Committee on Missionary Budget and Program.

Message No. 6 relative to amendments to the Constitution was received from the House of Deputies. The Chair ruled that on account of the restricted time in this morning's short session, the Message could be committed to the proper Committee. On motion, Message No. 6 from the House of Deputies was committed to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 7. Second Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 17TH, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Secretaries of each House shall designate an official messenger or messengers to provide for the prompt and regular transmission of the official messages between the Houses, and that the services of volunteers be secured by them for this purpose.

The Secretary has appointed Mr. Russell Hume as Official Messenger of the House of Deputies.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

The Bishop of Minnesota reported that the Committee on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop had organized with the Bishop of Minnesota as Chairman and the Bishop of South Dakota as Secretary.

The Bishop of Minnesota presented a Report of the Committee on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop. The Bishop of Georgia requested that the suggested committee be composed of five Bishops, five Presbyters and five Laymen. The report was accepted as amended; whereupon the Bishop of Minnesota made the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this House requests the House of Deputies to appoint five Presbyters and five Laymen to the Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop, thus constituting a Joint Committee of
fifteen on this subject. The House of Bishops would explain that its committee consisting of the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of Tennessee, the Bishop of Michigan, and Bishop Vincent, was appointed at a special meeting and that this is the first occasion when it has been possible to ask for such enlargement for joint presentation of this matter to both Houses.

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

The Bishop of Western Michigan presented a Report of the Special Committee on a Suffragan Bishop to the Presiding Bishop. The subject matter of this report was referred to the Joint Committee to be appointed under the resolution of the Bishop of Minnesota just adopted by the House, and the Special Committee was discharged.

On motion the House adjourned.

FOURTH DAY
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19TH, 1931.

The House was called to order at 10:00 o'clock with the Presiding Bishop in the Chair.

Bishop Touré appeared and took his seat.

The Suffragan Bishop of New York, Bishop Gilbert, read a Lesson from Holy Scripture.

Prayers were offered by the Presiding Bishop including special prayers, as requested by members of the House and others.

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

The Bishop of Tennessee moved that the action taken by the House on Message No. 5 from the House of Deputies, relative to the Yorktown Anniversary Commemoration be reconsidered. The motion was adopted by a Constitutional majority. On motion of the Bishop of Georgia the House concurred with the House of Deputies in Message No. 5.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 13.]

The Bishop of Georgia presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That in accordance with the provisions of Canon 17, § 1., a Joint Nominating Committee be appointed to present to this House the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop.
On motion of the Bishop of South Dakota, the members of this Joint Committee representing this House will be the President of each Province, or in his absence, the Senior Bishop thereof.

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

The Bishop of San Joaquin presented the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the loving greetings of the House of Bishops be sent to the Rt. Rev. Dr. Lawrence, who for the first time since his consecration is absent from the General Convention; expressing our disappointment at his inability to be with us, and assuring him of our constant affection, and of our prayers for God's abundant blessings upon him.

The Bishop of Long Island presented a resolution, to be known as Standing Order No. 11, relative to the Convener of each commission or joint commission appointed during the preceding General Convention, which was committed to the Committee of Rules of Order.

The Bishop of Michigan presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce, which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of Delaware presented certain amendments to Canons appended to the Report of the Commission on the Ministry, which were referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Central New York presented a resolution on the discontinuance of the publication of "The Church at Work," which was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

The Bishop of Alabama presented a petition for permission to elect a Bishop Coadjutor, which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of San Joaquin presented a memorial regarding certain misprints in the Order of Confirmation, which was referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.

The Bishop of Minnesota on behalf of the Committee on Canons presented the following Message from the House of Deputies:


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., Sec. 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., Sec. 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 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.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House adopted respectively by a constitutional majority the resolutions in the above Message.

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

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented a Report of the Committee on Racial Episcopal Supervision, which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of South Dakota presented a proposal for certain change in the boundary of the Missionary District of North Dakota and South Dakota, which was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.
The Bishop of Haiti presented a resolution relative to the publication of the Book of Common Prayer in French, which was referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.

The Bishop of Honolulu presented a resolution relative to an Educational Missioner, which was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

The Bishop of Oregon, on behalf of the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented resolutions on the election of Missionary Bishops in North Dakota and the Panama Zone, which were placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of Alabama presented by title the Report of the Committee on Translation of Bishops, which was placed upon the Calendar, and the amendments to the Constitution included in the report referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

The Bishop of Massachusetts reported that the Committee on Nomination of Missionary Bishops had organized, with the Bishop of West Texas as Chairman and the Bishop of Massachusetts as Secretary.

The Order of the Day having arrived, the Bishops convened in Council.

At 1:05 p.m. the House reconvened in session.

On motion of the Bishop of Louisiana the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to convey to our brother, the Bishop of British Honduras, the assurance of the sympathy and prayers of the members of this House, for him and for his people, in the time of their sore affliction.

On motion the House adjourned.

FIFTH DAY

Monday, September 21st, 1931.

The House was called to order by the Presiding Bishop at 10:00 o'clock.

The Bishop of West Missouri read a Lesson from Holy Scripture.

The Chair, conducted the devotions of the House.

Bishop Atwood appeared and took his seat.
The Minutes of yesterday's session were read and approved.

The Chair read a message from Bishop Ferrando explaining his inability to be present, and a telegram of greetings from the Synod of the Church of England in Canada.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa a message of sympathy and the assurance of our prayers was sent to Bishop Ferrando.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, a similar message was sent to the Bishop of Milwaukee.

On motion of the Bishop of Western Michigan, a similar message was sent to the Bishop of Marquette.

On motion of Bishop Vincent a similar message was sent to the Bishop of Southern Ohio.

On motion of the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, a similar message was sent to Mr. Frederick C. Morehouse.

All of the above motions were adopted by a rising vote.

The Bishop of Fond du Lac presented a Memorial on a Day of Fasting and Prayer, together with a resolution that this Memorial be referred to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

On motion of the Bishop of Washington this Memorial with its resolution was referred to the Joint Committee on National and World Problems, and also to the Committee on Pastoral Letter.

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented the Report of the Committee on Despatch of Business as follows:

The Committee on Despatch of Business recommends that at 12:00 M., the Report of the National Commission on Evangelism be made the order for not more than thirty minutes, to be followed by the Report of the Committee on the Church Army until recess.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:


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 Report of the Joint Committee, appointed by Resolution No. 9 of the Report of the Committee on Program and Budget, be accepted and the Committee discharged.

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. 10, recommending that the Report of the
Joint Committee on Adjustment of Quotas, as appointed by General Convention in 1928, be accepted and the Committee discharged.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

Message No. 10.  
Fourth Day of Session,  
September 19th, 1931.

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

Whereas, The year nineteen hundred and thirty-two will witness the nation-wide celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of the first President of the United States of America, General George Washington, himself a member of our Church, therefore be it Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring: That the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America in General Convention assembled, sympathetically and heartily endorse the great and patriotic movement sponsored by Congress and now being actively developed by the United States, George Washington Bicentennial Commission and the various State Commissions looking toward the proper homage and tribute due the memory of the immortal Washington and pledges its fullest support to the celebration from its commencement, February 22, 1932, until its termination on Thanksgiving Day, November 24, 1932, and be it further Resolved, That General Convention authorizes and directs the National Council to take such steps as shall adequately call this bicentenary celebration to the attention of the whole Church and adopt such other plans as may seem wise and necessary.

Resolved, That a copy of this resolution signed by the Presiding Bishop of the Church and by the President of the House of Deputies be forwarded to the Chairman of the National George Washington Bicentennial Commission, the President of the United States.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 16.]

The Bishop of East Carolina presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

In view of the extremely critical conditions of our time and the manifest need of spiritual help and guidance, be it

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to summon the two Houses to an hour of prayer and supplication to be held in the Cathedral on such day as he may designate and that the hour be from nine to ten o'clock A.M.

The Bishop of Missouri reported that the Committee on Memorials and Petitions had organized with the Bishop of Missouri as Chairman and the Bishop of Haiti as Secretary.

The Bishop of Cuba presented a resolution relative to a Joint Commission to prepare an alternative lectionary which was referred to the Liturgical Commission.

The Bishop of Iowa presented a resolution relative to the status of Continental Missionary Districts and of representa-
tion of Missionary Dioceses at General Convention which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

The Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida presented a resolution to amend Article VI of the Constitution by adding Sec. 4, on a Racial Episcopate, which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

The Bishop of Sacramento reported the organization of the Committee on the Election of Bishops with the Bishop of Sacramento as Chairman and the Bishop of Idaho as Secretary.

The Bishop of Maine reported the organization of the Committee on Social Service with the Bishop of Maine as Chairman and the Suffragan Bishop of New York (Bishop Gilbert) as Secretary.

The Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia presented a resolution relative to the formation of a National Organization of Laymen which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of Indianapolis presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Foreign Missions together with two resolutions:

I. Resolved, That this House proceed to the choice of a suitable person to exercise Episcopal functions in the District of Alaska as Suffragan Bishop thereof.

This Resolution was adopted.

II. Resolved, That this House proceed to choose a suitable person of Mexican birth to exercise Episcopal functions in the District of Mexico as Suffragan Bishop thereof.

On motion of the Bishop of Newark the discussion on this resolution was postponed and made the Order of the Day for this afternoon at 3:00 o'clock.

On motion of the Bishop of California the Joint Commission on Seamen's Work was permitted to delay the presentation of its report until the 8th day of the Session.

The Bishop of California presented by title a report of the Commission to confer with the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches, which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of Western New York presented a report of the Commission on the Brotherhood of St. Andrew which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Order of the Day being called for, the Bishop of Delaware presented a report of the Committee on Budget and Program. The Committee has organized with the Bishop of Delaware as Chairman and the Rev. Karl M. Block, D.D., as Secre-
The Committee presented the report and the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention approves in principle the method of procedure outlined by the Committee on Budget and Program in its preliminary report.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 17.]

The Bishop of Alabama for the Committee on Amendments to Canons presented the following resolutions which were individually adopted, and communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 28:

Resolved, That Canon 60, Article I., be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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."

Resolved, That Canon 60, Article II., be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The National Council, as constituted by Canon, shall be its Board of Directors, and shall adopt by-laws for its government not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons."

Resolved, That Canon 60, Article III., be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The officers of the Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurer as may be appointed in accordance with the Canons or by-laws. The President shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church, elected in accordance with the Constitution, and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Presiding Bishop, caused by death, resignation or inability to serve, the Presiding Bishop of the National Council shall be ex-officio President of the Society. The two Vice-Presidents shall be the persons who are the Vice-Presidents of the National Council and they shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them 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 other officers of the Society shall be such as are provided for by the By-Laws thereof. 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."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § I. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The Presiding Bishop shall be, ex-officio, the President of the Council. In case of a vacancy in the office of the Presiding Bishop, caused by death, resignation or in case of inability to serve, so much of his duties as pertain to the National Council shall be performed by
the First Vice-President of the National Council, or in case of his death, resignation or inability to serve, the Second Vice-President of the National Council as President thereof, to serve until a Presiding Bishop shall have been elected in accordance with the constitution and shall have taken office."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § II. [i.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The National Council, herein referred to as the Council, shall be composed of sixteen members elected by the General Convention, of whom four shall be Bishops, four shall be Presbyters, and eight shall be Laymen, two Bishops, two Presbyters, and four Laymen to be elected at each triennial meeting of General Convention; 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, the Vice-Presidents and the Treasurer of the Council shall be ex-officio members thereof."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § II. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The term of office of the members of the Council elected by the General Convention (other than the ex-officio members) shall be six years, commencing on the ensuing first day of January and the term of office of the members elected by the Provincial Synod shall be three years, commencing on the first day of January following the ensuing regular meeting of the General Convention, and all such members shall remain in office until their duly elected successors are entitled, respectively, to assume their offices.

No member of the Council, elected by the General Convention, or by a Provincial Synod, who, at the expiration of his then current term will have served for six consecutive years shall be eligible for immediate re-election.

"Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the death or resignation of a member elected by the General Convention or through the change in status of any such member by consecration or ordination the Council shall fill such vacancy by the election of a suitable person to serve until his successor is elected by General Convention. The General Convention shall elect a suitable person to serve the portion of any term which will remain unexpired.

"Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the failure of any Provincial Synod to elect a member, or through the death, resignation or removal from the Province, of any such member, the President and Executive Council of the Province shall appoint a suitable person, canonically resident in such Province, to serve until the Provincial Synod shall by election, fill the vacancy."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § II. [iii.] the Second Paragraph thereof be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"In its capacity as the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society the Council shall adopt By-Laws for the government of said Society and shall have the power to direct the disposition of the moneys and other property of said Society in accordance with the provisions of this Canon and the orders and budgets adopted or approved by the General Convention."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § III. [i.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:
"The Presiding Bishop shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, two male communicants of the Church, either clerical or lay, to be Vice-Presidents of the Council who shall be ex-officio members thereof. They shall be designated by the Presiding Bishop and the Council as First and Second Vice-President, respectively. Each of such Vice-Presidents shall be the Vice-Chairman and a member of such of the Departments, organized under the provisions of Sec. V. hereof, as may be assigned by the Presiding Bishop and Council to his charge, and shall perform such other duties as may from time to time be assigned by the Presiding Bishop."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § IV. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The Presiding Bishop and the Council shall appoint such Assistant Treasurers as may be necessary, to hold office during their pleasure, and until their successors are appointed."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § IV. [v.] be hereby amended by striking out the entire clause which reads as follows:

"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."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § V. [i.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The Council shall organize the following executive departments and shall define their duties:

First: A Department of Domestic Missions.
Second: A Department of Foreign Missions.
Third: A Department of Religious Education.
Fourth: A Department of Christian Social Service.
Fifth: A Department of Finance.
Sixth: A Department of Publicity.
Seventh: A Field Department.

"The Council shall have power to combine existing departments and or organize and define the duties of such other departments as the work may demand."

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

The Bishop of East Carolina presented the Report of the National Commission on Evangelism together with the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Presiding Bishop be and he hereby is authorized and requested to appoint five Bishops, five Clergymen and five Lay Persons as members of the National Commission on Evangelism to continue the work of that Commission during the next three years.

The above resolution was adopted.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as members of this Commission:

The Bishop of East Carolina, the Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, the Rev. Mr. Bunting of Missouri, the Rev. Mr. Woodroofe of Michigan, the Rev. Mr. Zabriskie of Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Blaisdell of Tennessee, the Rev. Mr. Butler of Minnesota, Mr. Thorne of New
York, Mr. Barber of Chicago, Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee, Mr. Kearney of Louisiana and Mr. Hall Smith of Rhode Island.

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

Resolved, That the proposed budget of the Commission covering its estimated expense during the next three years and amounting to a total for that period of forty-one thousand dollars, be referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware, discussion on the above resolution was postponed until after the report of the Committee on Budget and Program.

The Bishop of Oregon presented the Report of the Commission on City Missions together with the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on City Missions be continued with power to add to its numbers and to fill vacancies.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

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

The following messages were received from the House of Deputies:


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 express its approval of the Free and Open Church Association and urges in those parishes now renting pews to consider earnestly the possibility of making their churches free and open to all people as a memorial of gratitude to Almighty God for His blessing on one hundred and fifty years existence of an Independent Branch of Christ's Holy Church.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 18.]


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. 3, recommending that a Joint Committee be formed on World Conditions to consider the Major questions:

A. World Peace.
B. Industrial and economic dislocation.
C. Lawlessness and kindred subjects.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Rev. Dr. Phillips of Upper South Carolina, the Rev. Dr. Goodwin of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Klingman of Alabama, the Rev. Dr. Melish of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Woodroffe of Michigan, the Rev. Dr. Blaisdell of Tennessee, the Rev. Dr. Tyler of Western New York, Mr. Harlan of Maryland, Mr. Patten of Tennessee, Mr.
Moon of Iowa, Mr. Laflin of Milwaukee, Mr. Overfield of Utah, Mr. Bryan of Virginia, Mr. Bonsall of Pennsylvania.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.


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 shall be referred.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York, the Rev. Mr. Way of Fond du Lac, the Rev. Mr. Musson of Kentucky, Mr. Grant of Colorado, Mr. Hoppen of Louisiana, Mr. Albee of California.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the above Message, and the Presiding Bishop, on the part of this House, appointed the following:

The Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Los Angeles.

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


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 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. Thomas of Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Mockridge of Pennsylvania, Mr. Baker of New York, Mr. Rontree of East Carolina, Mr. Lee of California, Mr. Moon of Eau Claire.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the above Message and the Presiding Bishop, on the part of this House, appointed the following:

The Bishop of Tennessee and the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

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

MESSAGE No. 15. Fifth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 21ST, 1931.

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, requesting the House of Deputies to appoint five Presbyters and five Laymen to the Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Rev. Dr. Powell of California, the Rev. Dr. White of Ohio, the Rev. Mr. Hughes of Rhode Island, the Rev. Mr. Barber of Georgia, the Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago, Mr. Parker of Massachusetts, Mr. Nelson of Washington, Mr. Taylor of Virginia, Mr. Thorne of New York, Mr. Lightner of Minnesota.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
MESSAGE No. 16.  
Fifth Day of Session,  
SEPTEMBER 21ST, 1931.

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, in accordance with the provisions of Canon 17, § 1., that a Joint Nominating Committee be appointed to present to the House of Bishops the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York, the Rev. Dr. Drane of East Carolina, the Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, the Rev. Mr. Collins of Arkansas, Mr. Monteagle of California, Mr. Beale of Massachusetts, Mr. Lightner of Minnesota, Mr. Barber of Chicago.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 17.  
Fifth Day of Session,  
SEPTEMBER 21ST, 1931.

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 Fourth Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted, that the authorization therein requested be granted and that the Commission be continued.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 18.  
Fifth Day of Session,  
SEPTEMBER 21ST, 1931.

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 Architecture and the Allied Arts be continued with power to fill vacancies and add to its number.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the above Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 19.]

MESSAGE No. 19.  
Fifth Day of Session,  
SEPTEMBER 21ST, 1931.

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. 4, recommending that the Joint Commission on the American Churches in Europe be discontinued.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis, the Order of the Day was postponed by a constitutional majority, and an Executive Session of the House of Bishops called for half past four o'clock to consider the second resolution in the report of the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Bishop of Eastern Oregon presented the report of the Special Committee on the Church Army, together with four res-
The report was accepted. The first three resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring,

I. That the Presiding Bishop in behalf of General Convention be instructed to convey to Prebendary Carlisle, the Founder of the Church Army in England, our deep appreciation to that organization for the aid and generous support they gave in sending a group of Church Army officers to the United States to found the Church Army in U.S.A., now incorporated and recognized by General Convention as one of the co-operating agencies of the National Council in Evangelism.

II. That the General Convention commends most heartily the work of the Church Army in its Evangelistic efforts in this country, and approves an appeal to the General Church for a larger degree of financial support, secured through voluntary offerings with the consent and approval of the Ecclesiastical Authority in each Diocese and Missionary District, and also of the Presiding Bishop of this Church.

III. That a Committee of three Bishops from the House of Bishops be appointed by the Presiding Bishop to co-operate with Church Army in U.S.A., and advise them in their plans and policies.

The Fourth Resolution, namely:

IV. That Canon 26 "Of Lay Readers" be amended by the addition of § IV., as follows:

"A Layman in communion with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and one who holds a commission from any branch of the Society known as the Church Army, must be licensed to hold services and deliver sermons and addresses of his own composition, by the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese or Missionary District before ministering in such Diocese or Missionary District. Such a person, holding commission from the Church Army, shall be subject to the regulations and discipline prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority. The License may be revoked for cause and shall be renewed for each period of service within the jurisdiction of the Ecclesiastical Authority. No examinations shall be required of those who hold the Church Army Commission. Commissions to serve as Church Army Chaplains in the United States and any other country under the immediate Ecclesiastical jurisdiction of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America shall be granted by the Presiding Bishop of this Church. They must be in writing and given only upon recommendation of the Captain in Charge of Church Army work in the United States. Until such Commissions have been given, candidates or probationers shall be subject to all the regulations of this Canon on Lay Readers.

Commissions must have the approval and recommendation of the Head of the Training School where the Candidate has received his preparation, and its Advisory Board. Church Army Captains so commissioned may read Morning and Evening Prayer (omitting the Absolution), the Litany and the Office for the Burial of the Dead. They may wear vestments during service in accordance with the regulations of Church Army in U.S.A., an incorporated Evangelistic Society, but may not wear dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the Congregation;"
In place of Sec. IV. the Bishop of Minnesota moved to substitute the following resolution, which was adopted by a vote of 49 to 35:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That in view of the splendid work of the Church Army, the Presiding Bishop be requested to grant such commissions to the officers of the Church Army as that organization may require.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as members of this Committee on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Eastern Oregon, the Bishop of Vermont, and the Bishop Coadjutor of Western Virginia.

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

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented by title the report of the Liturgical Commission, which was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of Michigan presented the report of the Joint Commission on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts together with the following resolution:

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

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

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

The Bishop of Michigan presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Christian Healing, together with the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Christian Healing be continued with power to fill vacancies and to add to its numbers.

The report was accepted and the resolution adopted.

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

The Bishop of Tennessee presented the Report of the Commission on Faith and Order, together with four resolutions. The first three resolutions were adopted as follows:

1. Resolved, That this Convention transmit to the Continuation Committee the findings on the Lausanne Reports prepared by the Commission on Faith and Order, recommending further study on the points therein suggested. In thus replying officially to the Reports, the Convention desires again to express thankfulness for the achievement which these Reports represent in making clear the present state of agreement among the Churches and the grave points of disagreement which still remain.

2. Resolved, That this Convention heartily endorses the proposal of the Continuation Committee to hold a second World Conference on
Faith and Order not later than 1937, and assures the Committee of full co-operation in this continuation of the work begun at Lausanne.

(3) Resolved, That the Commission on Faith and Order be continued, with power to elect additional members.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 83.]

The Fourth resolution:

(4) Resolved, That the sum of $5,000 per annum for three years be added to the budget for the work of the Commission on Faith and Order.

was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

The Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission be appointed consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters and ten Laymen to make further study of the desirability of the formation of a National Organization of Laymen in the Church, and, Provided, the Commission deems such a course expedient, to perfect a plan and create the said Laymen's Organization.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as members of this Joint Commission on the part of this House:

The Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, and the Bishop of Wyoming.

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

The Order of the Day having arrived, the House of Bishops went into Executive Session.

Upon the rising of the Executive Session, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this House proceed to choose a suitable person of Mexican birth to exercise Episcopal functions in the District of Mexico as Suffragan Bishop thereof.

The Bishop of Western North Carolina reported that the Committee on Resignations of Bishops had organized with the Bishop of Western North Carolina as Chairman and the Bishop of West Texas as Secretary.

On motion the House adjourned.

SIXTH DAY

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop Coadjutor of Fond du Lac reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture.
The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected and approved as amended.

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina for the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following report which was adopted:

10:30 A.M. Report of the Committee on Rural Work.
11:00 A.M. Report of the Committee on Budget and Program.
Report of the Committee on Provinces, to be followed by Report of the Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops,
Report of the Committee on the Division of Dioceses,
Consideration of the election of a Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Alabama.

4:45 P.M. Recess.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 20. Fifth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 21ST, 1931.

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 Christian Healing be continued with power to add to its numbers and to fill vacancies.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Budget for the years 1933 and 1934 be on the same basis as that of 1932, except that the National Council be authorized to add to the Budget for 1933 and 1934 such sums with two and one-half percent increase over the Budget of the preceding year as the pledges of 1932 or 1933 respectively may justify.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Consideration of the above Message was postponed until after the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program.

MESSAGE No. 22. Fifth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 21ST, 1931.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be authorized to prepare a tentative Budget and Program for 1935 based upon the pledges of the preceding year upon which the work of the Program may be set forward in advance of the Convention of 1934.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
Consideration of the above Message was postponed until after the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program.

MESSAGE No. 23.  Fifth Day of Session,  September 21st, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Budget, proposed by the National Council in the sum of $4,225,000.00 be adopted for the year 1932.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Consideration of the above Message was postponed until after the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program.


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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That if and when cuts in the Budget of $4,225,000.00 become necessary, after various Dioceses have reported, that the work of the Church in her Continental, Extra-Continental and Foreign Missionary Districts be rated first in importance; that any necessary cuts should, if possible, be confined to administrative economies and to certain items in departmental budgets, especially in the Department of Publicity and more specifically by the abandonment of the publication of the "Church at Work" (a saving of $33,000.00 annually), reductions in the appropriation to the Committee on Ecclesiastical and Racial Relations, and in the readjustment of appropriations to the work of the Church in the forty-one Aided Dioceses which in 1930 received $228,226.70 and in the Continental Missionary Districts.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

Consideration of the above Message was postponed until after the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program.

MESSAGE No. 25.  Fifth Day of Session,  September 21st, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the headquarters and business office of the National Council remain in the City of New York.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the above Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 30.]


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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 14, § V. [ii.] be amended by adding after the words "Bishop of this Church" the following "who has a seat and vote in the House of Bishops", so that the Article as amended reads:
If the said election has 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, 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 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.

**Attest:** CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The above Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Michigan presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 26 entitled "Of Lay Readers" be amended by the addition of a § IV. to read as follows: "At the request of a Parish Priest, acting with the advice of his Vestry, the Bishop may license a Lay Reader to pass the Chalice in the administration of Holy Communion."

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi reported that the Committee on Rural Work had organized with the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi as Chairman and the Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia as Secretary.

On behalf of the Committee on Rural Work the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi offered the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That General Convention give its sympathetic approval of the plan of the Joint Commission for an adequate foundation for the support of the Rural Work of the Church, and refer the suggestions and recommendations to the National Council for its consideration and power to act.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Rural Work be continued.

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

The Order of the Day having arrived, the Bishop of Delaware presented the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program. Under this subject the Committee on Canons was called upon to report.
The Bishop of Alabama offered the following resolutions on amendments to Canons, which were individually adopted:

Resolved, That Canon 61, § V. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Each Department may appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, additional members as provided by the By-Laws, 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."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § V. [v.] be hereby amended by adding a new Clause to be numbered [v.], which shall read as follows:

[v.] The Council shall also organize an Advisory Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, with such officers attached thereto as the Presiding Bishop and the National Council may from time to time determine.

Resolved, That Canon 61, § VI. [i.] be hereby amended in the last sentence so as to read as follows:

"The Council shall be convened at the request of the Presiding Officer and any nine members thereof."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § VI. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Nine elected members of the Council shall be necessary to constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Council."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § VII. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § VIII. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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 Council shall have the power to expend all sums of money covered by the budget and estimated budgets approved by the Convention, subject to such restrictions as may be imposed by General 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 Council, the need for which may have arisen after the action of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the Council its income will warrant."

Resolved, That Canon 61, § XI. be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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 in exceptional cases."
Resolved, That Canon 17, § II. be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The Presiding Bishop, when elected according to the provisions of Article I., Sec. 3, of the 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. Except that when a Presiding Bishop has been elected by the House of Bishops to fill a vacancy, as provided for in the second paragraph of Article I., Sec. III., of the Constitution, the Presiding Bishop elected by the next General Convention shall take office immediately."

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

The Bishop of Minnesota presented on its first reading the following amendment to the Constitution, which was adopted:

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 be adopted by the next General Convention in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution:

Amend Article I., Sec. 3 of the Constitution by inserting the words "the close of" after the word "until" so that the sentence shall read, "the Bishop so elected shall serve until the close of the next General Convention."

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

The Bishop of Alabama on behalf of the Committee on Canons presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved: That Canon 18, § II. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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, shall 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 President of his Province."

Resolved: That Canon 18, § VII. [v.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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, less whatever allowance such Bishop may receive, from time to time, from the Church Pension Fund. Such retir-
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being allowance may be revised whenever such retired Bishop shall re-
ceive a regular stipend from any ecclesiastical employment.

Resolved: That Canon 18, § VIII. be amended so as to read as follows:

"In the event of the disability of the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop
who, according to the Rules of the House of Bishops, becomes its Pre-
siding Officer, shall be substituted for the Presiding Bishop for all the
purposes of these Canons except the Canons entitled, "Of the Dom-
estic and Foreign Missionary Society," and "Of the Presiding Bishop
and the National Council."

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

On behalf of the Committee on Budget and Program, the
Bishop of Delaware presented the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Con-
vention hereby authorizes the National Council, through the Depart-
ment of Foreign Missions, to continue its study of the possibility of
work in India by this Church, and to report to the General Convention
of 1934.

Resolved, That in view of the hopes expressed in many quarters that
this Church may in the near future undertake work in India, the Na-
tional Council is authorized to take such steps, as it may deem wise,
to secure pledges for gifts from interested friends in such amounts as
in the judgment of the National Council would be necessary to inau-
grate and maintain work in India for an experimental period of three
years, on condition that no commitments be made and no work under-
taken until authorities therefor have been given by the General Con-
vention.

The Bishop of Honolulu offered the following resolution as
a substitute:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention
replies to the request of the Archbishop of Calcutta on behalf of the
Church of the Provinces of India, Burma, and Ceylon, that it is the
hope and expectation of this Church to accept the invitation to under-
take work in India at such time as preliminary investigation and or-
ganization can be satisfactorily completed.

The substitute motion was lost by one vote.

The Bishop of Iowa moved to strike out the second para-
graph of the resolution. The motion was lost.

The resolution as originally presented was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 136.]

The Bishop of Idaho presented a resolution amending Can-
on 26, § III., in regard to a Lay Reader acting as a Minister in
charge of Missionary Work, which was referred to the Com-
mittee on Canons.

The following Messages were received from the House of
Deputies:
MESSAGE NO. 27. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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 Wednesday, September 30th, at one o'clock P.M., and that the closing service with the reading of the Pastoral Letter be held in St. John's Cathedral 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. 33.]

MESSAGE NO. 28. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the consent of the General Convention be given to the Diocese of Alabama to elect a Bishop Coadjutor.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The above Message was referred to the Committee on Consecration of Bishops, but afterwards concurred in, as noted later.

MESSAGE NO. 29. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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 vigorously opposes the commercializing of the Lord's Day, and commends the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States for their efforts in keeping the day free from economic profit, and that the following members of this Church be appointed as members of the governing board of the Lord's Day Alliance:


That the Rev. Clifford Gray Trombly, D.D., be appointed an additional member of the Board, and that the Rt. Rev. Charles K. Gilbert, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of New York, 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. 34.]

MESSAGE NO. 30. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission for conference with the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches on Christian Morality in relation to Organic Unity be continued with power to fill vacancies and to confer with the representatives of these other Com-
munitions upon lines of approach to Unity other than specifically moral.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The above Message was placed upon the Calendar.

MESSAGE No. 31. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, First, That 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 toward the Church's Program for the ensuing year;

Second, That the National Council, at its first meeting of 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.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

The Bishop of California presented the Report of the Committee on Provinces and presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention recommend to the National Council the appointment as members of the Field Department and of the Departments of Missions, Religious Education and Social Service one representative of each Province in each of these departments, such persons to be nominated by the corresponding departments of the Province, or by the Provincial Council, as the Synod of each Province may determine.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on Provinces be permitted to consider and report to the next General Convention upon the matter of the number and boundaries of the Provinces and for that purpose to request each Province to appoint a representative to meet with the Committee in its deliberations.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 36.]

The Bishop of Minnesota, for the Committee on Canons, presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 13, § I. [ii.] be amended by inserting in line 8 the words "or President of the Province" so that it shall read "by himself or the President of the Province and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops, etc."

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 37.]

The Bishop of Minnesota, for the Committee on Amendments to Constitution, presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution and the proposed alteration be
made known to the several Dioceses in accordance with the provisions of Article XI. of Constitution.

Amend Article II., Sec. 6, of the Constitution to read as follows:

"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 prescribed by the Canons of General Convention."

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

On motion of the Bishop of West Texas, the matter of the nomination of Missionary Bishops was made the Order of the Day for Wednesday afternoon at 3:30.

The Bishop of Southern Virginia reported the organization of the Committee on New Dioceses with the Bishop of Quincy as Chairman and the Bishop of Southern Virginia as Secretary.

The Bishop of Southern Virginia presented the report of the Committee on New Dioceses together with the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That consent of the General Convention be given to the division of the Diocese of Western New York and the formation of a new Diocese to include the Counties of Monroe, Wayne, Ontario, Yates, Livingston, Steuben, Allegany and Schuyler in the State of New York; the Diocese of Western New York to include the Counties of Erie, Niagara, Orleans, Genesee, Chautauqua, Wyoming and Cattaraugas in the State of New York.

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the memorial of the Dioceses of New Jersey and Newark, asking the consent of the General Convention to certain changes in the boundary line between these Dioceses be approved, and that such consent be given.

Resolved further, The House of Deputies concurring, That the details of these changes be such as are set forth in the certified maps and schedules accompanying the memorial.

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

The Bishop of Alabama presented a memorial from the Diocese of Alabama petitioning General Convention for permission to elect a Bishop Coadjutor. The House thereupon concurred in Message No. 28 of the House of Deputies which completed action on this matter; and the petition was granted.

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

The Bishop of Cuba presented the second report of the Committee on Rules, together with the following resolutions, each of which was adopted in turn by a two-thirds vote of the House:

(1) Omit Standing Order 12.
(2) Substitute the following for present Section 27: Meetings of
the House of Bishops shall be held annually, except in the year when
the General Convention meets, at the call of the Presiding Bishop.
Such meetings shall be for conference and mutual counsel, and for
such business as may be considered by the House of Bishops when
meeting apart from the General Convention. Notice for such meetings
shall be mailed three months in advance, stating the time and place of
meeting.

Other special meetings may be summoned by the Presiding Bishop.
In the event of the death or resignation of the Presiding Bishop, the
Senior Bishop shall call a special meeting as prescribed by the Con­
stitution.

(3) Notice of such special meetings other than the annual meet­
ing, shall be mailed at least 45 days before the first day of the proposed
meeting. A request shall accompany the notice that an answer shall
be returned from each Bishop, stating whether he shall be able to at­
tend or no. In the event of the failure to obtain a favorable reply from
a sufficient number of Bishops to constitute a majority of the whole
House, notice of such failure shall be sent to each of the Bishops at
least 12 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.
The call for the special meeting, other than the annual meeting,
shall state the business to be considered. No other business shall be
considered except with the consent of a two-thirds majority of those
present and entitled to vote.

(4) Add to Section XXIX:
But note that in the event of the occurrence of a vacancy in a Mis­
sionary District, or the resignation of a Bishop, between the issuance
of the call for a special meeting of the House of Bishops and the meet­
ing thereof, the House by a two-thirds vote of those present and enti­
titled to vote, shall be competent to fill such vacancy, or to act upon
such resignation.

On motion of the Bishop of Long Island, the following res­
olution was adopted as a Standing Order of the House:

Resolved, That within six months after adjournment of each General
Convention the Secretary of the House of Bishops shall communicate
with the Bishop named as Convener of each Commission or Joint
Commission appointed during the preceding General Convention, and
enquire whether the Commission has convened and organized, keeping
a record of the replies received.

The Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on
Amendments to the Constitution presented the following res­
olution, which was adopted by a constitutional majority:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Amendment to
Article I., Sec. 3, recorded on page 509 of Journal of 1928 as adopted,
be ratified as follows:

Amend Article I., Sec. 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."

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 43.]
The Bishop of San Joaquin presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on the Conduct of Religious Services, together with the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the devotional service provided for the members of the General Convention, held each morning in the building of the First United Presbyterian Church, be adopted as the daily devotional service of the House of Bishops, and that the Presiding Bishop be requested, at the beginning of each morning's session, after the reading of a Lesson from the Holy Scripture, to bid the House to a period of silent prayer to be terminated by the recitation of the Lord's Prayer and such collect or collects as he may see fit to use.

The Bishop of San Joaquin presented Report No. 3 of the Committee on the Conduct of Religious Services, together with a resolution which was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

The Bishop of Washington presented the report of the Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains, together with the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains be continued, and be it further

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the National Council be requested to make such appropriation for carrying on the work of the Commission as the funds at its disposition may warrant.

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

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 32. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be instructed to confine the appropriations for administration costs of the Council and its Departments to a sum not to exceed the appropriations for 1929.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The above Message was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

MESSAGE No. 33. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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. 20, authorizing the Presiding Bishop to appoint five Bishops, five Clergymen and five Laymen as members of the National Commission on Evangelism to continue the work of that Commission during the next three years.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
MESSAGE No. 34.  
Sixth Day of Session,  
SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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. 21, recommending that the Commission on City Missions be continued with power to add to its numbers and to fill vacancies.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 35.  
Sixth Day of Session,  
SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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. 27, recommend­ing that the Presiding Bishop be instructed to convey to Prebendary Carlisle, the Founder of the Church Army in England, our deep appreciation to that organization for the support they have given in sending a group of Church Army officers to the United States to found the Church Army in U.S.A., that this Convention commends most heartily the work of the Church Army, that a Committee of three Bishops be appointed by the Presid­ing Bishop to co-operate with the Church Army in U.S.A., and that the Presiding Bishop be requested to grant such commissions to the officers of the Church Army as that organization may require.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 37.  
Sixth Day of Session,  
SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 9, § I. [i] be amended by the insertion after the words "Section II" of the words "or by a Suffragan Bishop when requested by the Bishop of a Diocese," so that this section as amended will read as follows:

"§ 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, § II., or by a Suffragan Bishop when requested by the Bishop of a Diocese, 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."

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The above Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 38.  
Sixth Day of Session,  
SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 23 be amend­ed so as to read:

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 any case of vacancy or absence, no Churchwardens, Vestrymen or Trustees of the congregation, shall permit any person to officiate therein, with-
out sufficient evidence of his being duly licensed or ordained to Min­
ister in this Church; Provided, that nothing herein shall be so con­
structed as to forbid communicants of the Church to act as Lay Read­
ers; 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 congregations of this Church,
on special occasions.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The above Message was referred to the Committee on
Canons.

MESSAGE No. 39. Sixth Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 22nd, 1931.

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 Commis­
sion on Church Unity be requested to include the Lutheran Church
with the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches in its future negotia­
tions looking toward organic union with these bodies.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the above Message.

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

On motion the House adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23rd, 1931.

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

The Bishop of Georgia was in the Chair and he informed
the House that the Presiding Bishop was temporarily indis­
posed but hoped to be present this afternoon.

A message of Christian greetings was received from the
Presbytery of Denver. On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, the
Secretary of the House was instructed, on concurrence with
the House of Deputies, to reply to this communication and
send the Christian greetings of this Convention.

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

The Secretary read a communication from the Executive
Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary containing a resolution
adopted at their Triennial Session which was committed to
the Commission on Deaconesses.
The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented the report of the Committee on Despatch of Business as follows, which was adopted:

1. Immediately after Motions of Reference, Report of the Committee on the Translation of Bishops.
2. Report of the Joint Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the Present Tasks of the Church.
3. 11:00 A.M. Report of the Committee on Budget and Program.
4. 12:00 M. Report of the Commission to Confer with the Presbyterians and Methodists.
5. 3:00 P.M., Report of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.
6. 3:30 P.M., Special Order: Nomination of Missionary Bishops.
7. 4:30 P.M., Report of the Joint Commission on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop.

9:30 A.M., Friday—Election of Missionary Bishops, St. Barnabas Church, 13th and Vine Streets.

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 36. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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

WHEREAS, The proposed quotas for 1932 as set forth in the General Church Program 1932-1934 reveal certain marked decreases and increases, and

WHEREAS, It is advisable at this time to make the total of the quotas allotted as low as is consistent with safety, Therefore, be it

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the quotas of the several dioceses and districts for 1932 are hereby fixed at the average of the quotas of the past triennium and the proposed quotas for 1932 as set forth in the Program, less approximately 3%, said 3% to be deducted from the total of quotas by adding to the expected income of the National Council the sum of $100,000.00 "Miscellaneous Income" thus:

Maintenance Budget ...........................................$4,225,000.00
Estimated Income from United Thank Offering, interest on trust funds and miscell. income ... 825,000.00

Total of Quotas needed to meet Budget ........$3,400,000.00

Resolved further, That the National Council is instructed to figure the quotas for 1933 and succeeding years on the basis of the "Current Expenses" of the last six years available, using a sliding scale of percentages on the plan now in force.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The above Message was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.
The Bishop of Alabama presented in part the report of the Committee on Translation of Bishops.

The Bishop of Delaware for the Committee on Budget and Program asked the Bishop of Chicago to present the following Messages from the House of Deputies:

**MESSAGE No. 23.**

Fifth Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Budget proposed by the National Council in the sum of $4,225,000.00 be adopted for the year 1932.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 47.]

**MESSAGE No. 21.**

Fifth Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Budget for the years 1933 and 1934 be on the same basis as that of 1932 except that the National Council be authorized to add to the budget for 1933 and 1934 such sums (with two and one-half percent increase over the budget of the preceding year) as the pledges of 1932 or 1933 respectively may justify.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 48.]

**MESSAGE No. 22.**

Fifth Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be authorized to prepare a tentative Budget and Program for 1935 based upon the pledges of the preceding year upon which the work of the Program may be set forward in advance of the Convention of 1934.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 49.]

**MESSAGE No. 24.**

Fifth Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That if and when cuts in the Budget of $4,225,000.00 become necessary, after various dioceses have reported, that the work of the Church in her Continental, Extra-
On motion of the Bishop of Long Island, Message No. 36 of the House of Deputies:

WHEREAS, The proposed quotas for 1932 as set forth in the General Church Program 1932-1934 reveal certain marked decreases and increases, and

WHEREAS, It is advisable at this time to make the total of the quotas allotted as low as is consistent with safety, Therefore, be it

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the quotas of the several dioceses and districts for 1932 are hereby fixed at the average of the quotas of the past triennium and the proposed quotas for 1932 as set forth in the Program, less approximately 3%, said 3% to be deducted from the total of quotas by adding to the expected income of the National Council the sum of $100,000.00 "Miscellaneous Income" thus:

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
Maintenance Budget ................. $4,225,000.00
Estimated Income from United Thank Offering, interest on trust funds and miscell. income ... 825,000.00

Total of Quotas needed to meet Budget ........$3,400,000.00

Resolved further, That the National Council is instructed to figure the quotas for 1933 and succeeding years on the basis of the "Current Expenses" of the last six years available, using a sliding scale of percentages on the plan now in force.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program was made the special Order of the Day for tomorrow at 11:00 o'clock.

The Bishop of Alabama continued in the presentation of the Report of the Committee on Translation of Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop of Minneapolis, the following amendment to the Constitution on its first reading was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the following changes be made in the Constitution and that this proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution:

Amend Article II., Sec. 6, of the Constitution by adding the following to the present Article:

"Provided, That this shall not apply to a Bishop resigning to accept other Episcopal election."

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 52.]

The Bishop of California reporting for the Committee on Deaconesses presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

1. Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby affirms its acceptance of the Declaration of the Lambeth Conference of 1930—Resolution 67—"That the Order of Deaconess is for women the one and only Order of the Ministry which we can recommend our Branch of the Catholic Church to recognize and use."

2. Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby requests the Church Pension Fund to take all legal and financial steps necessary to secure pensions for the Deaconesses of the Church.

3. Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission be continued and that its title be changed to the Commission on the Work of the Deaconesses.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 58.]
The Bishop of Alabama on behalf of the Committee on the Translation of Bishops, presented a resolution to amend Canon 13 by adding a new section No. 3, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

At 12:00 o'clock Noon, the Chair bade the House to Prayer.

The Bishop of California presented the Report on the Conference with the Methodist, Lutheran and Presbyterian Churches together with Message No. 30 from the House of Deputies in regard to the same matter. The House concurred in Message No. 30.

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

The Bishop of Fond du Lac presented a resolution on the appointment of a Commission on Preparation and Boarding Schools, which was referred to the Committee on Religious Education.

The Bishop of California reporting for the Commission on Deaconesses offered amendments affecting Canon 24, § I., and Canon 24, § II., which were referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Kyoto presented the Report of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary together with the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That the two Committees on General Theological Seminary, one appointed by the House of Bishops, one by the House of Deputies, be constituted a Joint Commission of the two Houses, with power to fill vacancies.

The Bishop of Kyoto on behalf of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary presented the nominations of the following Bishops as Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, who were duly elected:

The Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of Western Massachusetts, Bishop Rhinelander, the Bishop of New Hampshire.

The Bishop of Kyoto on behalf of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, It is 117 years since the Rev. Dr. Gadaden, later the fourth Bishop of South Carolina, offered the resolution in General Convention which brought the General Theological Seminary into being, and

WHEREAS, During that time, the Seminary has developed until under the present regime it has the strongest staff of Professors and the largest enrollment of students in its history and has evolved educational plans of the highest order, and
WHEREAS, The Joint Commission on the General Theological Seminary reports that $500,000.00 is the amount needed to complete the building and endowment fund asked for seven years ago, Therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Convention thanks those who have so generously helped this cause and commends the General Theological Seminary to the prayers and support of the Faithful in the hope and expectation that the required sum may be speedily raised.

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

The Bishop of East Carolina presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint a Committee of seven (7) members from this House to co-operate with the Brotherhood of St. Andrew in an advisory capacity.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as members of this Committee on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of East Carolina, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Los Angeles, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of Florida.

The Bishop of Kentucky presented a report of the Committee on Rules of Order together with the resolution that Rule 3 of the General Rules of Order be amended by the deletion of Committee No. 15 “On the Conduct of Religious Services.”

The resolution was adopted by over a two-thirds vote.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota presented the Report of the Committee on the Prayer Book reporting that the Committee had organized with the Bishop of Atlanta as Chairman and the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota as Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, the resolution offered by the Bishop of New Jersey on the placement of the Collects, Epistles and Gospels in future editions of the Prayer Book was referred to the Liturgical Commission; also, the resolution offered by the Bishop of San Joaquin on changes in certain pronouns in the Confirmation Office was referred to the same Committee.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, the following resolution of the Bishop of Haiti was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen be appointed for the translation and publication of the Book of Common Prayer in French, provided the necessary funds be raised through the Advance Program or in some other approved way.
The Presiding Bishop appointed as members of this Joint Commission on the part of this House:
The Bishop of Long Island and the Bishop of Haiti.

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

The Bishop of Oregon presented the Report of the Committee on Domestic Missions with a resolution that this House proceed to the election of a Bishop in the Missionary District of the Panama Zone. On motion of the Bishop of Porto Rico, a substitute resolution was adopted by a vote of 86 to 10 that the House do not at present proceed to elect a Bishop of the Panama Zone.

The Bishop of Oregon presented a resolution previously adopted that a Bishop be elected for the Missionary District of North Dakota.

On motion of the Bishop of Cuba the Rules of Order were suspended to allow for a reconsideration of this motion. The resolution was adopted by over a two-thirds vote.

The Bishop of Oregon moved to reconsider the resolution previously adopted relative to the election of a Bishop in the Missionary District of North Dakota. The motion was lost.

The House proceeded with nominations for Bishops in the Missionary Districts of Mexico, Alaska and North Dakota.

The nominations were referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Bishop of Mississippi offered the following preamble and resolution:

In view of the many religious movements of our time, such as "The First Century Christian Fellowship" in this country and "The Oxford Groups" in England, and of the confusion of mind of many, resulting sometimes in deflection from the faith and from Church affiliation;

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be authorized and requested to appoint a Commission composed of Bishops and Presbyters to study first the two movements called "The First Century Christian Fellowship" and "The Oxford Groups" with the purpose of making informative report which shall inform our people of their practical value; and second, such other movements as should be studied as to their value or dangers; such information to be published to our people through our Publicity Department; for which the publications of that Department and our National and Diocesan papers may be natural mediums; at the discretion of the Commission, reports may be made to General Convention, or to the House of Bishops in the interim, particularly when the merits of the movements examined are deemed by the Commission to be worthy of such report before publicity is given.

On motion the resolution was laid upon the table.
On motion of the Bishop of Western Michigan the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, That we proceed with the election of a Presiding Bishop immediately following the election of Missionary Bishops on Friday, September 25, in the Church of St. Barnabas, and that we request the Nominating Committee to make its report so as to insure that the election may be held at that time and place.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Washington, a resolution to amend Canon 61, § V. [i.], was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the Report of the Joint Committee of the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop, which was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

The Bishop of Oregon presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Domestic Missions, together with the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Standing Rock Indian Reservation lies within the boundaries of two different States, approximately one-third in North Dakota and two-thirds in South Dakota, and

WHEREAS, It seems clear that more effective administration of our Missions would be obtained if it were worked as a unit; Therefore, be it

Resolved, That such portion as lies within the State of North Dakota be and hereby is, attached to the Missionary District of South Dakota; it being understood that title to all property now held or hereafter acquired within the annexed area shall vest in the holding corporation of the Missionary District of North Dakota.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 150.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 40. Seventh Day of Session, September 23rd, 1931.

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. Frederick Grandy Budlong, S.T.D., to be the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Connecticut.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 41. Seventh Day of Session, September 23rd, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be hereby instructed to make appropriations to aided Dioceses only
after careful investigation of the financial resources of the Diocese and of the need of the project for which the aid is asked; and

Further, THAT such appropriation be made only after an agreement with the Bishop of said Diocese determining the scope and method of all expenditures within the appropriation (such agreement to include regular reports from the Bishop upon the development of the work for which the appropriation is used).

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 57.]

MESSAGE No. 42. Seventh Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 23rd, 1931.

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. 25, recommending that the Joint Commission on Christian Healing be continued with power to fill vacancies and to add to its numbers.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 43. Seventh Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 23rd, 1931.

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. 31, recommending that this Convention give its sympathetic approval of the plan of the Joint Commission for an adequate foundation for the support of the Rural Work of the Church and that the Joint Commission on Rural Work be continued.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 44. Seventh Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 23rd, 1931.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has by a constitutional majority finally adopted the following amendment to the Constitution proposed in the last General Convention:

Amend Article I., Sec. 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."

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 45. Seventh Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 23rd, 1931.

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

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That (1) this Convention transmit to the Continuation Committee the findings on the Lausanne Reports prepared by the Commission on Faith and Order, recommending further study on the points therein suggested. In thus replying officially to the Reports, the Convention desires again to express thankfulness for the achievement which these Reports represent in making clear the present state of agreement among the Churches and the grave points of disagreement which still remain.

(2) Resolved, That this Convention heartily endorses the proposal of the Continuation Committee to hold a second World Conference on
Faith and Order not later than 1937, and assures the Committee of full co-operation in this continuation of the work begun at Lausanne.

(3) Resolved, That the Commission on Faith and Order be continued, with power to elect additional members.

The House concurred in the foregoing resolutions.

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

On motion the House adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 1931.

The House met after Devotions, the Suffragan Bishop of Long Island reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Minutes of the previous day were read, corrected and approved as amended.

The Chair referred Message No. 40 of the House of Deputies together with certified testimonials in connection with the election of a Bishop Coadjutor in the Diocese of Connecticut to the Committee on Consecration of Bishops.

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented the following report of the Committee on Despatch of Business, which was adopted as the order of business of today:

1. Immediately after Motions of Reference, Report of Committee on Nomination for Presiding Bishop; Report Amendments to Constitution; Report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.
2. 11:00 A.M., Report of the Committee on Budget and Program.
3. 12:00 M. or following Report of the Committee on Budget and Program, Resumption of the Report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.
4. 4:00 P.M., Bishops in Council.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia, a resolution to amend Canon 46, § VI., was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of San Joaquin reported the organization of the Joint Committee on the Nomination of the Presiding Bishop with the Bishop of San Joaquin as Chairman and the Rev. Dr. Stetson as Secretary; and presented in accordance with the
provisions of Canon 17, § I., the following names to be voted on for the office of Presiding Bishop:

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Perry, Bishop of Rhode Island, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Freeman, Bishop of Washington, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Parsons, Bishop of California.

On consent of the House, the Committee on Amendments to Canons made its report at this time.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the following amendment to Canon 13 was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 13, § I. [iii.] be amended by inserting in line 23 the words "or President of the Synod" so that it shall read "by himself or the President of the Synod and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops, etc."

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

The Bishop of Minnesota presented resolutions to amend Canon 14, § II. [ii.]; and Canon 14, § IV., which were placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of West Texas presented the report of the Committee on Resignations of Bishops together with the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the resignation of the Right Reverend James Rideout Winchester, D.D., Bishop of Arkansas, be accepted on the grounds of physical disability, in accordance with Article II, Sec. 6, of the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Chair was requested to send a message to the Bishop of Arkansas expressing regret on the necessity of his resignation and assuring him of the sympathy and prayers of the members of this House.

The Presiding Bishop instructed the Secretary to make a change in the Roll of the House on account of the resignation of the Bishop of Arkansas.

The Bishop of Delaware on behalf of the Committee on Budget and Program requested the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee to present the report of the Committee.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

WHEREAS, There has been presented to the Committee on Budget and Program the question of the apparent disparity between both quotas and appropriations to Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses of evidently like missionary opportunities; and
WHEREAS, This Committee has discovered that the matter is the concern of many and definitely worthy of careful study, but due to its tremendous scope is quite beyond definite action at this Convention; therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission of five Bishops, five Presbyters and ten Laymen be appointed by the Presiding Bishop and the Chairman of the House of Deputies to which shall be committed the following duties:

First, A definite and practical study of the actual missionary needs and opportunities in the several continental missionary districts, together with the present use of Missionary appropriations to meet these opportunities.

Second, A definite and practical study of the local receipts and expenditures within the missionary districts, and their relation to assigned quotas and the payment of these quotas.

Third, A definite and practical study of the actual missionary needs and opportunities in the several dioceses receiving appropriations from the National Council, together with the present use of these missionary appropriations to meet these opportunities.

Fourth, A definite and practical study of the local receipts and expenditures within the Aided Dioceses with special reference to endowments, relative strength of parishes in the Dioceses, and extent of territory; and their relation to assigned quotas and the payment of these quotas.

It is further suggested in order to make these studies more complete that this Commission seek in each of the eight Provinces, after consultation with the Bishops, the aid of a group especially well informed concerning the Districts and Dioceses in question. Be it further

Resolved, That the Report of the above Commission be submitted to the Presiding Bishop to be by him transmitted to the National Council and to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, at least, one year prior to the General Convention of 1934 which shall study the report with especial regard to:

First, Appropriations to both Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses;

Second, Quotas for both Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses, and

Third, Other recommended economies of Diocesan Administration such as the combination or rearrangement of Districts and Dioceses.

Be it further Resolved, That the National Council be requested to provide the necessary actual expenses for this Commission.

The Presiding Bishop appointed on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of San Joaquin, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, and the Bishop of Kansas.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 60.]

The Bishop of Delaware presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops, acting upon the suggestion of the Committee on Budget and Program, arrange to consider in Executive Session the question of readjusting the territorial limits of Missionary
Districts and advisability of uniting one or more with a neighboring Missionary District or Diocese.

The Bishop of Eastern Oregon moved to amend so as to restrict the consideration to matters of Missionary Districts of Idaho, Eastern Oregon and Spokane only. The amendment was lost.

The resolution as presented was adopted.

The Order of the Day being called for, the Bishop of Michigan presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce. (Appendix XI.) The Bishop of New Jersey presented a Minority Report and a substitute resolution for Sec. VII.

On motion of the Bishop of Oklahoma, the Minority Report with its resolution was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Alabama on behalf of the Committee on Canons offered the following amendments to Canon 43 as a substitute for both the Majority and Minority reports:

CANON 43

Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony

§ II. Ministers of this Church shall scrupulously conform to the laws of the state governing the civil contract of marriage, and also to the laws of this Church governing the solemnization of Holy Matrimony.

§ II. [i.] No Minister of this Church shall solemnize any marriage before the following conditions have been carefully complied with:

(a) He shall ascertain by due inquiry the right of the parties to contract a marriage valid according to the laws of this Church.

(b) He shall instruct the contracting parties as to the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities, and the means of grace which God has provided through His Church.

(c) He shall require them to sign in his presence the following statement:

"We A. B. and C. D., desiring to receive the blessing of the Church upon our marriage, do solemnly declare that we hold Christian marriage to be a lifelong physical and spiritual union of husband and wife, for the purpose of mutual fellowship, encouragement and understanding, for the procreation (if it may be) of children and their physical and spiritual nurture, and for the safeguarding and benefit of society. And we engage ourselves, the Lord being our helper, to make every effort to realize the Christian ideal, and to avail ourselves of means of grace thereto as taught and provided by the Christian Church."

[ii.] There shall be at least two competent witnesses present at the solemnization of the marriage.

[iii.] 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, by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

(iv.) No marriage shall be solemnized by a Minister of this Church unless the intention of the contracting parties shall have been signified by the publishing of the banns or other public notice, or by the securing of a license from the State at least three days before the service of solemnization.

§ 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. Nor 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.

§ IV. [i.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court may apply to the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Court constituted by canon of the Diocese or Missionary District of the said person's domicile, to have the said marriage declared null and void by reason of any of the following impediments to marriage:

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood) within the following degrees:
   (a) One may not marry one's ascendant or descendant.
   (b) One may not marry one's sister.
   (c) One may not marry the sister or brother of one's ascendant or the descendant of one's brother or sister.
2. Lack of free consent of either party.
3. Mistake as to the identity of either party.
4. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exercise of intelligent choice.
5. Insanity of either party.
6. Facts which would make the proposed marriage bigamous.

[iii.] The Bishop in such case, after taking legal advice thereon, or the Ecclesiastical Court proceeding in accordance with the canons thereon and acting through the Bishop, shall render judgment in writing to the petitioner. No such judgment shall be construed as referring in any way to the legitimacy of children or the civil validity of the former relationship.

[iii.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court and pronounced null by the Bishop, may be married by a Minister of this Church as if he had never previously been married; Provided, that before such marriage one year shall have elapsed after the granting of such civil decree.

§ V. 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. The Bishop, after due inquiry into the circumstances, and taking into consideration the godly discipline both of justice and of mercy, shall give his judgment thereon in writing. Provided, however, that no Minister shall in any case refuse these ordinances to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.
On motion of the Bishop of Los Angeles the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses to its Secretary the Rev. Dr. Pardee its regret at his absence and sends to Dr. and Mrs. Pardee its greetings with the prayerful hope that Mrs. Pardee may soon be restored to health and strength.

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented the following report of the Committee on Despatch of Business, giving the order of business for Friday:

9:30 A.M. Election of Missionary Bishops at St. Barnabas Church, 13th and Vine Streets.
To be followed by the election of the Presiding Bishop.
If any time remains after elections before the 1:00 p.m., recess, we recommend that the following reports be in order:
Liturgical Commission.
Committee on the Next General Convention.
Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.
3 P.M. Report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.
To be followed by Report of the Committee on the Placement of Clergy.

The Chair announced that an Hour of Prayer and Supplication will be held at the Cathedral on Monday morning at 9:00 o'clock.

The Bishop of Sacramento presented the report of the Committee on Consecration of Bishops together with the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the consecration of the Rev. Frederick Grandy Budlong, S.T.D., to be Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Connecticut.

The Chair bade the House to prayer.

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky the resolution presented by the Committee on Consecration of Bishops was adopted unanimously and the Bishops in the House assembled gave consent to the consecration of the Reverend Frederick Grandy Budlong, S.T.D., as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Connecticut.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 63.]

The Order of the Day having arrived, the House went into Executive Session.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the Report of the Committee on Nominations of Missionary Bishops.

Upon rising from Executive Session, the House resumed its session.
On motion of the Bishop of San Joaquin, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission on Religious Services, to consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, be appointed to arrange for the Devotions of the next General Convention in advance of its meeting, and that all plans for such Devotions made by the local Committee of Arrangements, or by others before being adopted, be referred to that Commission.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 61.]

The Bishop of Southwest Virginia presented a resolution to amend the Canon on the Dissolution of Pastoral Relations which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of California presented by title the report of the Joint Commission on Seaman's Work, which was placed upon the Calendar.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 46. Eighth Day of Session, September 24th, 1931.

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 the State of the Church be constituted an ad interim committee in order that it may be better able to do its work.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 62.]

MESSAGE No. 47. Eighth Day of Session, September 24th, 1931.

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 consent of the General Convention be given to the division of the Diocese of Western New York, that the memorial of the Dioceses of New Jersey and Newark, asking the consent of the General Convention to certain changes in the boundary line between these Dioceses be approved and that such consent be given, and that the details of these changes be such as are set forth in the certified maps and schedules accompanying the memorial.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 48. Eighth Day of Session, September 24th, 1931.

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. 45, recommending that the Secretary of the House of Bishops acknowledge for the Convention the communication
containing the Christian greetings of the Presbytery of Denver and to send to the Presbytery of Denver the Christian greetings of this Convention.

ATTEND: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion the House adjourned.

NINTH DAY

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1931.

The Bishops assembled in St. Barnabas Church at 9:30 A.M., the Holy Communion was celebrated by the Presiding Bishop, assisted by the Assessor and the Rector of the Church.

The House of Bishops, meeting in Executive Session, was called to order at the close of the Service of the Holy Communion, the Presiding Bishop being in the Chair.

The *Veni Creator Spiritus* was said.

On motion of the Bishop of Tennessee, the House proceeded to the election of a Suffragan Bishop for the Missionary District of Alaska, a Suffragan Bishop for the Missionary District of Mexico, and a Bishop for the Missionary District of North Dakota in this order:

The Chair appointed the Bishop of Harrisburg and the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota as Tellers for the first election.

The Bishops deposited their ballots, and the Venerable John Boyd Bentley, a Presbyter in the Missionary District of Alaska was found on the first ballot to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies, Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of Alaska.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 64.]

The Chair appointed the Bishop of West Missouri and the Bishop Coadjutor of Duluth as Tellers for the second election.

The Bishops deposited their ballots, and the Venerable Efrain Salinas, a Presbyter in the Missionary District of Mexico, was found on the first ballot to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies, Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of Mexico.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 65.]
The House proceeded to the election of a Bishop of the Missionary District of North Dakota.

The Bishop of Fond du Lac moved that the Rt. Rev. Thomas Jenkins, D.D., Bishop of the Missionary District of Nevada, be translated to the Missionary District of North Dakota. The resolution was laid on the table.

The Chair appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Harrisburg as Tellers for the third election.

The Bishops deposited their ballots, and the Rev. Frederick B. Bartlett, a Presbyter in the Diocese of Missouri was found on the fourth ballot to have received a majority of the votes, and was thereupon declared by the Chairman to have been chosen, subject to confirmation of the House of Deputies, Bishop of the Missionary District of North Dakota.

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

The Bishop of Harrisburg and the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota having been appointed Tellers, the House proceeded to elect a Presiding Bishop.

The Bishops deposited their ballots and the Rt. Rev. Dr. Perry, Bishop of Rhode Island, was found on the first ballot to have received a majority of votes and was therefore elected Presiding Bishop.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 67.]

The members of the House rose and joined in the singing of the Doxology.

The Executive Session rose and the House continued in Session.

At 3 o'clock the House was called to order with the Presiding Bishop in the Chair.

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented the report of the Liturgical Commission together with the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the custodian of the Book of Common Prayer is hereby authorized to correct in the margin, the Latin title to Psalm 119, § XI., v. 81 so that it may read “deficit anima mea” instead of “deficit” and that the custodian notify the publishers of the Book of the change.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the following resolution was adopted:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 46, § VI. be amended by inserting in the fourth line after the words "He shall hold office" the words "for three years or" so that the clause shall read "He shall hold office for three years or until his successor is elected", etc.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 70.]

The Bishop of Georgia moved that this amendment to Canon 46, § VI., take effect immediately. The resolution was adopted.

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

The Bishop of Maine on behalf of the Committee on Christian Social Service presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, The Geneva Treaty Convention of 1931, negotiated by delegates from 57 nations, limits the manufacture of dangerous narcotic drugs to the amounts required for legitimate medical and scientific purposes, and prescribes measures of national control necessary for carrying out the provisions of the convention, and

WHEREAS, The illicit narcotic drug traffic, through world-wide smuggling operations and its armies of drug addict slaves, is extorting from society annually hundreds of millions of dollars, laying upon mankind an incalculable economic burden and a tragic burden of suffering, degeneracy and crime, endangering the public health, the public morals and the public safety, menacing the foundations of modern civilization;

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the illicit narcotic drug traffic should be placed in the same category as piracy, and destroyed, and to this end we petition the Congress of the United States for prompt and effective action in the necessary ratification of the Geneva Convention, and enactment of Legislation for its enforcement, and we petition the legislatures of the several states for the enactment as soon as practicable of an adequate uniform narcotic defense law to put into operation the full police power of the nation, and be it further

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That we commend to the Dioceses and Parishes of this Church, and to other constructive organizations in America and in other lands such measures as they may deem necessary or advisable to hasten ratification and legislation everywhere to the end that the peoples of the earth may present a united front to this common enemy.

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

The Bishop of Washington presented the report of the Joint Committee on National and World Problems together with three resolutions. (Appendix XVII.) The first resolution was adopted as follows:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the foregoing statement be adopted as the mind of this Convention.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented a resolution which was adopted, that the following words be added at the end of
the second resolution: "and may with all other nations of the earth earnestly seek to establish universal righteousness and peace."

Be it further Resolved, That this Convention request the churches throughout the country to set apart Sunday, November 8, 1931, being the Sunday nearest Armistice Day, as a day of prayer and penitence, to be observed in such manner as the Bishops of the several dioceses and missionary jurisdictions may approve, to the end that all the people of this Church may assemble to invoke God's Mercy, to pray for His forgiveness, and to ask His guidance that this nation under God may speedily be restored to the wholesome ways of peace and happiness, of sobriety and Christian practice and obedience to His divine will.

The second resolution, as amended, was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Second resolution be issued in substantially the form of statement of the Bishop of Fond du Lac, which reads as follows:

Resolved, That the second resolution which is hereby adopted, be issued in substantially the form of statement as follows:

WHEREAS, The world today is lying under a burden of adversity, suffering, and want without equal in our generation, for which men have had neither the wit to devise nor the power to effect relief; and

WHEREAS, We humbly acknowledge that in this adversity we with other nations are but suffering for our sins; that we of this nation, in particular, are justly punished for many things which we have done and left undone; for our policy of selfish isolation; for our pride in our own prosperity; for our refusal to co-operate with other nations in efforts for the common good; for holding aloof from institutions designed to avert war and promote peace; for our mad pursuit of unearned wealth by speculation; for our lavish expenditures, mortgaging tomorrow for the pleasure of today; for our failure to equalize the economic fruits of labor and to take steps to ensure continuous employment for those who are dependent upon their daily labor for their daily bread; for our toleration of corruption in high places, lawlessness, and violence; and

WHEREAS, We hold that no true or lasting well-being can come to this nation, except it be based upon humble repentance for our sins and sincere purpose of amendment,

The third resolution was adopted as follows:

Be it further Resolved, That in concert with the Communions which have been in conference with us, we respectfully request the President of the United States to designate Sunday, November Eighth, and Saturday, November Seventh, as a time of prayer for all the people.

All three resolutions, as amended, were communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 72.

On motion of the Bishop of California, the following resolution was adopted:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That before the official report of the Joint Committee on National and World Problems be made public, the Committee be authorized to edit it and to correct minor mistakes made through the necessity of rapid printing.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 73.]

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the President of the United States be informed that it is the sense of this Convention that our Government should urge an immediate substantial reduction of armament of all nations of the world at the disarmament conference of February, 1932.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 133.]

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

WHEREAS, The Archbishop of Canterbury has requested through the Presiding Bishop that the Bishops of the Episcopal Church in the United States be represented in the Consultative Committee of the Lambeth Conference; and

WHEREAS, Bishops of the Episcopal Church have been present at all the past Lambeth Conferences and have been warmly welcomed as representing an important part of the Anglican Communion, and thus have enjoyed the privilege of sharing in the councils of Bishops from all parts of the world; and

WHEREAS, The Lambeth Conference is a body without any legal, canonical or constitutional authority, and participation in it does not bind in any manner either the individual Bishop or the particular Church of which he is a member; therefore be it

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to accept the invitation of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and to recommend to him the names of Bishops of the Episcopal Church for membership in the Consultative Committee of the Lambeth Conference; and further

Resolved, That this action of the Bishops in Council be communicated to the House of Deputies and to the House of Bishops for their information.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware, the House resolved to continue its session tonight at 8:30 o'clock.

On motion, the House took a recess.

The House met at 8:30 o'clock, the Presiding Bishop in the Chair.

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the following report of the Committee on Canons:

Your Committee on Canons to which was referred the new Canon 20 on Filling of Vacant Cures and sundry amendments to other Can-
 ons proposed in the report on Placement of the Clergy reports that it has considered the matter and refers it back to the House without recommendations.

The Bishop of Delaware presented the Report of the Commission on the Ministry concerning the subject of the Placement of the Clergy, together with a resolution to amend Canons as follows:

**CANON 20**

Of the Filling of Vacant Cures

§ I. The responsibility for the effective use of the clergy is shared jointly by the Diocese and the Parishes within its boundaries.

[i.] The Bishop of each Diocese or Missionary District, together with the Standing Committee or Council of Advice thereof, shall represent the Diocese in the discharge of this responsibility, unless the Diocese or District shall delegate this responsibility to the Bishop and some other Committee. The Bishop and the Committee shall act with concurrent authority.

[ii.] When a Parish or Congregation becomes vacant the Churchwardens or other proper officers shall notify the fact to the Bishop and Standing Committee or Council of Advice within thirty days thereof. 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.

[iii.] The Bishop and the Standing Committee or Council of Advice or other designated Committee shall consult with the proper representatives of such Parish and shall then nominate to said Parish or Congregation three clergymen who are in their opinion suited to the opportunities and needs of said Parish or Congregation.

[iv.] If none of the clergymen so nominated be satisfactory to the Parish or Congregation, the Bishop and Standing Committee or Council of Advice or other designated Committee shall, after further consultation with the Parish representatives, nominate three more and continue so to do until an election shall be made.

[v.] For reasonable cause and with the consent of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice the Bishop may give written consent to a Parish to fill a vacancy by election without nomination by the Bishop and Committee.

§ II. Written notice of the election, signed by the Churchwardens, shall be sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. When the person elected has notified the Ecclesiastical Authority of his acceptance of the office, both of the within mentioned notices shall be sent to the Secretary of the Convention, who shall record them. Such record shall be sufficient evidence of the relation between the Minister and the Parish.

§ III. A Minister is settled, for all purposes here or elsewhere mentioned in these Canons, who has been engaged permanently, by any Parish, according to this manner of selection, the rules of said Diocese or District, or for any term not less than one year.

§ IV. In case of a vacancy in a Mission, the Bishop shall advise with the Standing Committee or Council of Advice or other designated Committee as provided in § I., and with the proper representatives of the Mission in making an appointment to fill said vacancy.
§ V. In case of the election of an assistant Minister, a certificate thereof from the Rector and Wardens shall be sent to the Bishop and Standing Committee or Council of Advice; and no such assistant may become canonically resident in such Diocese or District without the consent of the Bishop and Standing Committee or Council of Advice or designated Committee.

In order to secure an official record of all the Ministers of this Church the Commission suggests the following changes in Canons as enumerated below:

Amend Canon 21 by inserting a new clause [iv.] in § III. to read as follows:

(iv.) It shall be the duty of every Minister of this Church to submit to the Bishop of the Diocese or District of his canonical residence, an annual written report which shall contain the following information:

(a) Name and residence.
(b) Present official position and address.
(c) Place and date of birth.
(d) College, or canonical equivalent, with dates and degrees.
(e) Theological Seminary with dates and degrees.
(f) Post graduate work, where, with dates and degrees.
(g) Ordination: Deacon, place, date, officiant.
     Priest, place, date, officiant.
(h) Married, children, with dates of birth.
(i) Ministerial offices and places of work since ordination, with dates.
(j) Official positions in Diocese, Province and national Church, with dates.

Amend Canon 21, § V. [i.] by inserting the following words after the word "character" in the eighth line of said clause "and shall be accompanied by the record provided for in Canon 21, § III. [iv.]", and insert in line ten after the word "thereof" the following words "together with the record card", so that [i.] shall read as follows:

[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 and shall be accompanied by the record provided for in Canon 21, § III. [iv.]. The said testimonial shall be given by the Ecclesiastical Authority to the applicant and a duplicate thereof, together with the record cards, shall 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).................................
Amend Canon 18 by adding to § II. two new clauses designated (iv.) and (v.) to read as follows:

(iv.) It shall be the duty of the Bishop of each Diocese or Missionary District to maintain a record of all the clergy ordained, received or canonically resident within his jurisdiction. Such record shall contain the information provided in the annual report required of each Minister by Canon 21, § II. (iv.).

(v.) It shall be the duty of the Bishop to transmit to the National Council a copy of each such record, and from time to time thereafter, to submit, as and when they occur, any changes in the Diocesan Clergy List through ordination, reception, transfer or death, as well as in the status, designation and work of clergy canonically resident in said Diocese or District.

Amend Canon 61 by substituting a new § XII. for the present Section and renumbering the present § XIII., the new Section to read as follows:

§ XII. The National Council shall maintain the records provided for in Canon 21, § III. (iv.) and in Canon 18, § II. (iv.) and (v.) and shall make them available, under proper regulations, to duly authorized Diocesan and Parochial representatives.

The Bishop of Ohio moved to amend the amendment to Canon by substituting resolutions adopted at the 15th Synod of the Province of the Mid-West, as follows:

Whenever there is a vacancy in the rectorship of a parish the Vestry of such parish shall immediately notify the Bishop, or Ecclesiastical Authority, and at his or their convenience, within thirty days shall consult with the Bishop, or Ecclesiastical Authority, to receive nominations from him or them for the filling of the vacancy.

Furthermore, it shall be the duty of the Bishop in consultation with the Vestry, who may have the right to suggest names of clergy to the Bishop, to nominate at least three clergymen to the Vestry for consideration. If none of the persons so nominated by the Bishop be satisfactory to the Vestry, the Bishop shall then nominate three more and continue so to nominate until a selection has been made.

The Bishop of Michigan moved to amend the amendment by substituting for the word “nominations”, the word “suggestions”. The amendment was lost.

On motion of the Bishop of Wyoming, the words “within thirty days” were added to the amendment.

On motion of the Bishop of Atlanta, the whole matter under consideration, including the amendments, was referred through the Bishop of Delaware, back to the Commission on the Ministry for further study.

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the following reports of the Committee on Canons:

Your Committee to which was referred the Message of the House of Deputies No. 37, begs leave to report that it has considered the matter and offers the following resolution:
Resolved, That this House concur with the House of Deputies in its Message No. 37 that Canon 9, § I. [i.] be amended by the insertion after the words "Section II., "or by a Suffragan Bishop when requested by the Bishop of the Diocese, etc."

The resolution was adopted.

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

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this House concur with Message No. 26 of the House of Deputies amending Canon 14, § V. [ii.] by adding after the words "Bishop of this Church" the following "who has a seat and vote in the House of Bishops."

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

The Bishop of Minnesota on behalf of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented the following report:

Your Committee begs leave to report that it has considered the resolution adopted by the Bishops at a meeting held at St. Louis and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the said resolution be referred to the Joint Commission on Relation of the National Council, Missionary Districts, and Aided Dioceses.

The resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the following Report of the Committee on Canons and the request was granted:

Your Committee to which was referred certain amendments to Canon 26 and Canon 11 begs leave to report that it has considered the matters and asks to be discharged from further consideration of the subjects.

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented the following report of the Committee on Despatch of Business:

Convene at 9:00 a.m.

After routine business, Report of the Committee on Canons, Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop,

To be followed by the Report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

And if time permits before 1 p.m. recess, the report of the Committee on Christian Education.

On motion, the House adjourned.
The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of Honolulu reading a Lesson of Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Minutes of Thursday and Friday Sessions were read and, on correction, approved.

The Bishop of Minnesota on behalf of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented the following amendments to the Constitution on their first reading which were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article II, Sec. 3 of the Constitution be amended by adding the words, "A bishop or bishop coadjutor shall be eligible as bishop or bishop coadjutor of another Diocese, or he may be elected by the House of Bishops as a missionary bishop."

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article II, Sec. 6 of the Constitution be amended by adding to the present article the following:

"Provided that this Article shall not apply to a bishop resigning to accept other Episcopal election."

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 78.]

The Bishop of Minnesota on behalf of the Committee on Canons presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 13 be amended by adding a new Section to be number III and to read as follows:

"§ III. When a diocese, entitled to the choice of a bishop, shall elect as its diocesan the bishop or bishop coadjutor of another diocese of this Church, if such election shall have taken place, etc.," following from there on the reading of Canon 14, § V. [i.] and [ii.] dealing with the election of missionary bishops to a diocese, and

Further be it Resolved, That Canon 13 be amended by adding a new section to be number IV. to read as follows:

"IV. A bishop or bishop coadjutor shall not be eligible for election to another diocese within five years from the date of his consecration." and further be it

Resolved, That present § III. and § IV. be renumbered as § V. and § VI.

The Bishop of Western Michigan moved that amendments to this Canon take place immediately, which was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 79.]
The Bishop of Minnesota, reporting for the Committee on Canons, offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 24, § I. be amended by striking out the words "unmarried or widowed" and the final clause.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 132.]

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 24, § II. be amended to read as follows:

"The duty of a Deaconess is to teach and especially to assist the Minister in the preparation of candidates for baptism and confirmation; to assist in the administration of Holy Baptism by virtue of her office and in the absence of the priest to baptize; to conduct the Choir offices; to lead in prayer and when licensed by the bishop to instruct and preach except in the service of Holy Communion; to care for the sick, the afflicted and the poor and to labor in all ways for the extension of Christ's Church."

The Bishop of Georgia moved to amend by inserting the words "or Deacon" after the word "Priest" and the word "infants" after the word "baptize".

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

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

The Bishop of Minnesota on behalf of the Committee on Canons presented the report of the Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop together with the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop be continued, to study all questions relating to that subject, and report to the General Convention of 1934; the Committee to have power to fill any vacancies occurring, and to add to its number as it may deem necessary; and be it further

Resolved, That pending final passage of appropriate amendments to Article I. of the Constitution, and the passage of a Canon to make this operative, the Presiding Bishop is empowered to nominate for election by the House of Bishops, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies, an assistant to whom he may from time to time assign any of his official duties from which he may desire to be relieved; the said assistant, in the case of the resignation or death of the Presiding Bishop, or his disability by reason of infirmity, shall discharge the duties of the office of Presiding Bishop until a successor shall be elected as provided in Article I, Sec. 3, of the Constitution.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Senate of the United States be informed that it is the sense of this Convention that
the United States should become a member of the Permanent Court of International Justice without delay.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, a resolution in relation to the oath of allegiance for citizenship was placed upon the Calendar.

The Bishop of Alabama, on behalf of the Committee on Canons, presented amendments to Canon 43 as a substitute for the resolutions presented by the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

On motion of the Bishop of Alabama, the following amendments were adopted:

**CANON 43**

**Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony**

§ I. Ministers of this Church shall within their Cures give instruction both publicly and privately, on the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities and the mutual love and forbearance which it requires.

§ II. Ministers of this Church shall scrupulously conform to the laws of the State governing the civil contract of marriage, and also to the laws of this Church governing the solemnization of Holy Matrimony.

§ III. No Minister of this Church shall solemnize any marriage before the following conditions have been carefully complied with:

(a) He shall ascertain by due inquiry the right of the parties to contract a marriage valid according to the laws of this Church.

(b) He shall instruct the contracting parties as to the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities, and the means of grace which God has provided through His Church.

The Bishop of Alabama presented the following amendment, § III. (1) (c):

(1) (c) He shall require them to sign in his presence the following statement:

"We, A. B. and C. D., desiring to receive the blessing of the Church upon our marriage, do solemnly declare that we hold Christian marriage to be a life-long physical and spiritual union of husband and wife, for the purpose of mutual fellowship, encouragement and understanding, for the procreation (if it may be) of children and their physical and spiritual nurture, and for the safeguarding and benefit of society. And we engage ourselves, the Lord being our helper, to make every effort to realize the Christian ideal, and to avail ourselves of means of grace thereto as taught and provided by the Christian Church."

The Bishop of Atlanta moved to strike out the whole of (1) (c). The motion was carried by a vote of 58 to 35.

The Bishop of Northern Indiana presented a substitute amendment for § III (1) (c):
He shall be assured that both parties have been validly baptized.

The resolution was adopted by a vote of 46 to 41.

The Bishop of Alabama moved the adoption of [ii.] as follows:

There shall be at least two competent witnesses present at the solemnization of the marriage.

The Bishop of Nevada moved to amend so as to read "two witnesses who shall know the applicants and be known by the minister." This resolution was lost.

The resolution, as originally presented, was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Alabama, § III. [iii.] was adopted as follows:

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, by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

The Bishop of Alabama moved the adoption of § III [iv.] as follows:

No marriage shall be solemnized by a Minister of this Church unless the intention of the contracting parties shall have been signified by the publishing of the banns or other public notice, or by the securing of a license from the State at least three days before the service of solemnization.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi moved that [iv.] be deleted. The motion was lost.

The Bishop of Idaho moved to amend [iv.] by adding after the words "or other public notice" the words "or until three days have intervened between the securing of a license from the State and the service of solemnization," which was adopted.

The Bishop of East Carolina moved to amend [iv.] by adding the words "except in cases where both parties are known to the officiating Minister." The motion was lost.

Bishop Vincent moved to reconsider the action taken in § III. [i.]. The motion was carried by a vote of 56 to 24.

On motion of Bishop Vincent, the following substitute for § III. [i.] was adopted by a vote of 54 to 17:

§ III. [i.] He shall satisfy himself that at least one of the proposed contracting parties has received Christian Baptism.

The Bishop of Alabama presented the following amendment, which was adopted:
§ IV. If one party to a marriage so grievously offend the other that the security of permanence of the home is imperiled, it shall be the duty of the offended party to lay the matter before a Minister of this Church; and it shall be the duty of such Minister to labor that the parties may be reconciled. If in the end they cannot be reconciled, the Minister shall report his findings in the matter to the Bishop.

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented the report of the Committee on Despatch of Business which was adopted as the Order of Business for Monday, September 28:

Convene at 9:30 A.M.
Immediately after routine business:
  Report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.
  Report of the Committee on the Next General Convention.
  Report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.
3 P.M. Report of the Special Commission on Racial Episcopal Supervision.
To be followed by:
  The Report of the Joint Commission on Seaman's Work.
  The Report of the Committee on the Dissolution of the Pastoral Relation.
8:30 P.M. Evening Session:
  Report of the Committee on Christian Education.
  Report of the Committee on Status of Suffragan and Coadjutor Bishops.
  Resolution on Naturalization.

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

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that in view of existing conditions the Hour of Prayer and Supplication originally planned for Monday morning at 9 o'clock be postponed until Wednesday morning at 7:30, the final day of the Session.

The Chair gave notice that the Presiding Bishop had taken order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Suffragan Bishops-elect of Alaska and Mexico.

On motion, the House adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 1931.

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

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.
The Suffragan Bishop of Hankow was presented to the House by the Bishop of Shanghai.

In the absence of the Official Messenger of this House, Canon Watts was nominated and elected the Official Messenger.

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented the report of the Committee on Despatch of Business, which was adopted:

Convene at 9:30 A.M.

Immediately after routine business:
- Report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.
- Report of the Committee on the Next General Convention.
- Report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.


To be followed by:
- The Report of the Joint Commission on Seaman’s Work.

8:30 P.M. Evening Session:
- Report of the Committee on Christian Education.
- Report of the Committee on Status of Suffragan and Coadjutor Bishops.
- Resolution on Naturalization.

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

Resolved, That one hour be allotted to the consideration of the report of the Committee on Canons on Marriage and Divorce and that no Bishop be allowed to speak but once on each resolution, the speeches being limited to three minutes—provided that the Chairman of the Committee be granted five minutes to present the subject and five minutes, if desired, to close the debate.

The Bishop of Vermont presented a Petition on the American Missal which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Central New York presented a revised and improved Lectionary which was referred to the Liturgical Commission to report at the next meeting of General Convention.

The Bishop of California presented a resolution on the function of the Joint Committee on Constitution and Canons which was referred to the Committee on Rules.

The Bishop of Albany presented by Title the Report of the Custodian of the Archives which was received.
The Bishop of Missouri presented a report of the Committee on Petitions and Memorials on communications from the Living Church and the Churchman relative to subsidizing Church weeklies, which was referred to the National Council.

The Bishop of Alabama on behalf of the Committee on Canons presented the following amendment to Canon 43:

**CANON 43**

§ VI. [i.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court may apply to the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Court constituted by canons of the Diocese or Missionary District of the said person's domicile, to have the said marriage declared null and void by reason of any of the following impediments to marriage:

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood) within the following degrees:
   - (a) One may not marry one's ascendant or descendant.
   - (b) One may not marry one's sister.
   - (c) One may not marry the sister or brother of one's ascendant or the descendant of one's brother or sister.
2. Lack of free consent of either party.
3. Mistake as to the identity of either party.
4. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exercise of intelligent choice.
5. Insanity of either party.
6. Failure of either party to have reached the age of puberty.
7. Impotence of either party.
8. Facts which would make the proposed marriage bigamous.

The Bishop of Michigan moved to insert: “No. 9, Venereal disease.” The amendment was lost.

The Bishop of Arizona moved to amend § VI. by striking out the clause beginning with the word “or” near the end of line 2 and ending with the word “domicile” in line 4. The amendment was lost.

The original amendment was adopted.

The Bishop of Alabama moved the adoption of § VI. [ii.], which was adopted as follows:

[iii.] The Bishop in such case, after taking legal advice thereon or the Ecclesiastical Court proceeding in accordance with the canons thereon and acting through the Bishop, shall render judgment in writing to the petitioner. All judgments rendered under this canon by the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Court shall be made matters of permanent record in the archives of the Diocese or Missionary District. No such judgment shall be construed as referring in any way to the legitimacy of children or the civil validity of the former relationship.

The Bishop of Alabama moved the adoption of § VI. [iii.] as follows:
(iii.) Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court and pronounced null by the Bishop, may be married by a Minister of this Church as if he had never previously been married; Provided, that before such marriage one year shall have elapsed after the granting of such civil decree.

The Bishop of Iowa moved to amend with the words "except when such person desires to re-marry a former husband or wife from whom such person has been divorced contrary to the law of this Church." The motion was lost.

The original resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Alabama, § VII. [i.] was adopted as follows:

§ VII. [i.] 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. The Bishop, after due inquiry into the circumstances, and taking into consideration the godly discipline both of justice and of mercy, shall give his judgment thereon in writing. Provided, however, that no Minister shall in any case refuse these ordinances to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

On motion of the Bishop of Alabama, § VII. [ii.] was adopted as follows:

[ii.] Any persons who have been married by civil authority or otherwise than as this Church provides, may apply to the Bishop or to the Ecclesiastical Court of their domicile for the recognition of such marriage, and for the recognition of communicant status, or for the right to apply for Holy Baptism or Confirmation. After due inquiry into all the facts relevant thereto, judgment shall be given in writing to the petitioners by the Bishop or by the Ecclesiastical Court acting through the Bishop. In case of a favorable decision, a Minister of this Church may, at his discretion, bless the parties of the union.

The Bishop of Alabama moved the adoption of Canon 43 as a whole.

Bishop Lloyd presented as a substitute the following amendment to Canon 43:

CANON 43
Of the Solemnization of Matrimony:
§ I. Ministers of this Church shall scrupulously conform to the laws of the State governing the civil contract of marriage, and also to the laws of this Church governing the solemnization of Holy Matrimony.
§ II. No Minister of this Church shall solemnize the marriage of any person having a living consort.
§ III. If any question of discipline concerning the partaking of the Blessed Sacrament by persons married contrary to the order of this
Church; the matter shall be referred to the Bishop of the Diocese concerned.

The substitute motion was lost by a vote of 30 to 67.

The Bishop of Georgia moved that the entire amendment as adopted by paragraphs together with the substitute offered by Bishop Lloyd be recommitted to the Committee on Canons. The motion was lost by a vote of 36 to 62.

The original motion of the Bishop of Alabama was carried and the amendment of Canon 43, as a whole, was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 82.]

The Chair reported a correction in the Official Acts of the Presiding Bishop which should include the note that the Presiding Bishop had taken order for the Ordination and Consecration of the Bishop Suffragan of Los Angeles.

The Chair placed in nomination for the office of Assistant to the Presiding Bishop the name of the Rt. Rev. Hugh Latimer Burleson, D.D., Bishop of the Missionary District of South Dakota. The nomination was confirmed by the House with a unanimous vote.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 84.]

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved the House of Deputies concurring, That the report of the Joint Committee on National and World Problems be printed and distributed to the Bishops and Clergy of this Church.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 105.]

The Bishop of Los Angeles presented the following report of the Joint Committee on the Place of the next General Convention:

"The Joint Committee to Recommend the Place of Meeting of the Next General Convention recommends the acceptance of the invitation of the Diocese of Minnesota to meet in the City of Minneapolis in 1934.

"They wish in so doing to express their appreciation of the generous invitations of the Dioceses of New Jersey and of Ohio and to state that the decision was very close."

Together with the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention of 1934 be held in the City of Minneapolis beginning on the Wednesday after the first Sunday in October.

The Bishop of Northern Indiana moved to amend by substituting the word "Cleveland" for the word "Minneapolis".
The Bishop of Pennsylvania moved to amend the amendment by substituting the word "Atlantic City" for the word "Cleveland".

On motion of the Bishop of Michigan, the House went into a Committee of the Whole to discuss the matter informally.

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis, the Committee as a Whole rose and reported to the House the result of the discussion, showing the preference of the members of the House as follows:

Atlantic City, 43; Cleveland, 17; Minneapolis, 32.

The former amendments having been withdrawn, the Bishop of Pittsburgh moved to amend the report of the Committee by substituting the word "Atlantic City".

The Bishop of Minnesota, seconded by the Bishop of Ohio, moved that the House accept unanimously the invitation of the Bishop of New Jersey for the General Convention to meet in Atlantic City, which was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 86.]

The Bishop of Newark presented the following report of the Committee on Despatch of Business:

3:00 P.M. Messages.
4:40 P.M. Racial Episcopal Supervision.
5:10 P.M. Pastoral Letter.
8:30 P.M. Christian Education
Status of the Suffragan and Coadjutor Bishops.
Resolution on Naturalization.
Seamen's Work.
Dissolution of Pastoral Relations.

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

Resolved, That a Committee of three Bishops be appointed to nominate members of the Court for the trial of Bishops and for the Court of Review to fill vacancies thereon caused by the expiration of the terms of the present members thereof and any other vacancies which may have occurred in the personnel of either Court.

The Presiding Bishop appointed on this Committee:
Bishop Vincent, the Bishop of Indianapolis, the Bishop of San Joaquin.

The Presiding Bishop appointed, on behalf of this House, on the Joint Committee to nominate trustees of the Church Pension Fund:
The Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of New Hampshire.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 106.]

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Duluth, the following resolution was adopted:

**Resolved,** That the House of Bishops hereby expresses its regret that Bishop Bennett is unable to attend this Convention, sends its affectionate greetings, and extends to him its sympathy, and prayers for an early and complete recovery.

**Resolved,** That a copy of this Resolution be communicated to Bishop Bennett by the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Oregon presented the report on Racial Episcopate together with a proposed amendment to the Constitution. The Bishop of Minnesota moved the adoption of the amendment. On motion, consideration of this matter was postponed and made the Order of the Day for tomorrow at 3 o'clock.

The Order of the Day being called for, the House went into Executive Session. The Bishop of San Joaquin for the Committee on the Pastoral Letter, presented its report, reading the letter which it had prepared.

The Bishop of Kansas renewed his previous motion that the House this year eliminate the Pastoral Letter and substitute in its place the Report of the Joint Committee on National and World Problems.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the whole matter was recommitted to the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

**MESSAGE NO. 49.**

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 two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen, be appointed to consider the desirability and feasibility of publishing a quarterly Historical Magazine for this Church.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York, the Rev. Dean Sargent of Long Island, Mr. John Stewart Bryan of Virginia, Mr. Clark McK. Whittemore of New Jersey.

**Attest:** CARROLL M. DAVIS, *Secretary.*

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
The Presiding Bishop appointed as members of this Joint Committee on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Virginia and the Bishop of Central New York.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 87.]

MESSAGE No. 74.

Ninth Day of Session,

SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § V. of Canon 46 "Of the Standard Book of Common Prayer" be amended to read as follows:

"No copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer, or a part or parts thereof, shall be made, printed, published, or used as an 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. And no copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer, or a part or parts thereof, shall be made, printed, published, or used as of authority in this Church, or certified as aforesaid, which contains or is bound up with any alterations or additions thereto, or with any other matter, except the Holy Scriptures or the authorized Hymnal of this Church."

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 103.]

MESSAGE No. 79.

Tenth Day of Session,

SEPTEMBER 26TH, 1931.

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

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States has created a National Colonial Monument by acquiring a body of land from Jamestown, the first permanent settlement of the English Race in America, and the site of the First Protestant Church on this continent, and Yorktown where this nation achieved its freedom, and

WHEREAS, This action of the Congress is complimentary to that of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., who, with large liberality and far seeing appreciation has undertaken the restoration of Williamsburg, the Colonial Capitol of Virginia, and

WHEREAS, These activities will insure the completion of a work heretofore carried on chiefly by members of this Church for the preservation of these ancient landmarks and for the enshrinement of the traditions of the past that the future may be guided and inspired thereby, and that the principles on which this Republic were founded may be perpetuated and the faith and order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in America be extended, now Therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Fiftieth Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church hereby expresses its profound approval of the action of the Congress in preserving in their original setting the places where this nation had its beginning and gained its liberty, and be it

Resolved, further, That this Convention express to Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., its grateful acknowledgement for restoring the Colonial
Capitol of Williamsburg in its ancient glory and historic beauty as an example and incentive to future generations to preserve and protect the heritage of our fathers and to rejoice in the liberty wherewith God hath made us free.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message with the exception that the 4th line be amended in the second paragraph by inserting the words "first Church of English speaking Christians" in place of "First Protestant Church" following the words "the site of the".

[Communicated, as amended, to the House of Deputies by Message No. 121.]

Message No. 50.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
September 24th, 1931.

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

Whereas, on March 25th, 1933, will occur the Sesquicentennial of the election at Woodbury, Conn., of the Rev. Samuel Seabury, as the First Bishop of this Church; and

Whereas, on November 14th, 1934, will occur the Sesquicentennial of his consecration, at Aberdeen, Scotland, Therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission, consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters and five Laymen, be appointed to take such measures as they may deem necessary or desirable to commemorate either such election or such consecration as the Commission may determine; and that the time, place and manner of such commemoration be also left to such Commission to determine; full authority being hereby given to such Commission to do all acts necessary or desirable to carry out the purpose of this resolution; and, be it further

Resolved, That such Commission shall have power to fill any vacancies in its membership and shall also have power to add to its membership, should it desire so to do; and be it further

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies be included within such Commission of fifteen.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

President of the House, the Rev. Dr. Sill of Connecticut, the Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York, the Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio, Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut, Mr. Seymour of Long Island, Mr. Page of Virginia, Mr. Anderson of Georgia, Mr. Monteagle of California.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as members of this Joint Commission on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Long Island, and the Bishop of Ohio.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 88.]
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, Unprecedented floods in central China during the summer of 1931 have resulted in great loss of life, widespread suffering and considerable loss of Mission property;

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention inform the Church of the immediate necessity of caring, so far as may be possible, for the physical needs of our fellow Christians in China and of providing for reconstruction of our damaged and destroyed Mission property;

Further Resolved, That the National Council is instructed to take such steps as may be necessary to give to all our people an early opportunity to make their offerings for the foregoing purposes;

Further Resolved, That the Bishops of Shanghai, Anking and the Suffragan Bishop of Hankow are asked to convey to the people of the Church in China the deep sympathy of the Church in the United States in this time of suffering and sorrow.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

MESSAGE No. 52.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 44, § I. "Of Regulations respecting the Laity" be amended by inserting in lines 1-6, 13-17, 20 and 22, after the word "communicant" the words "or baptized member", so that the Canon will read:

§ I. [i.] A communicant or baptized member 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 or baptized member 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 or baptized member may remove shall enroll him or her as a communicant or baptized member when such certificate is presented, or, on failure to produce such certificate through no fault of such communicant or baptized member, upon other evidence of his or her being such a communicant or baptized member, sufficient in the judgment of said Rector or Minister. Notice of such enrollment in such Parish or Congregation to which such communicant or baptized members shall have removed, shall be sent by the Rector or Minister thereof to the Rector of the Parish from which the communicant or baptized member is removed.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 90.]
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 7, § VI. [i.] be amended so as to read as follows:

§ 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, or,

(c) Three Presbyters of this Church who have known the candidate for the space of three years last past; or

(d) Should the candidate within the space of three years last past have been a Minister or Licentiate in some other body of Christians, by three Presbyters of this Church as to the period during which he has been a candidate, and by six adult male members in good standing of the denomination from which the candidate came, as to the period, within the space of three years last past, before he became a candidate.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The above Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 55.

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. 37, amending Canon 13, § I. [ii.] by inserting in line 8 the words "or President of the Province," so that it shall read "by himself or the President of the Province and the two other Bishops of this Church, or by three Bishops, etc."

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Commission be appointed, consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters and five Laymen, to study the status of the Negro in the Protestant Episcopal Church and to recommend to the next General Convention methods whereby a fuller measure of leadership may be developed among them.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Rev. Dr. Covington of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. McCreary of Kentucky, the Rev. Dr. Thomas of Chicago, the Rev. Mr. Gribben of Northern Carolina, the Rev. Mr. Baskerville of South Carolina, Dr. Dillard of Virginia, Messrs. George B. Elliott of East Carolina, Samuel Thorne of New York, Christie Benet of Upper South Carolina, A. H. Turner of Southern Virginia.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The above Message deferred until after report of the Committee on Racial Episcopate.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message. The Presiding Bishop appointed on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of New Hampshire.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 91.]

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 43 "Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony" be amended by striking out everything after the title and inserting in place thereof the following:

§ I. [i.] In every Parish, Mission, or Congregation of this Church, instruction shall be given both publicly and privately, on the nature of Christian marriage, its responsibilities, and the mutual forbearance which it requires.
[ii.] No Minister of this Church shall solemnize a marriage unless he is assured that the parties thereto are thus instructed and that both hold the Christian ideal of marriage. In which case, before he officiates, he shall require them to sign in his presence the following statement:

"We, A. B. and C. D., desiring to receive the blessing of the Church upon our marriage, do solemnly declare that we hold Christian marriage to be a life-long physical and spiritual union of husband and wife, for the purpose of mutual fellowship, encouragement, and understanding, for the procreation (if it may be) of children and for their physical and spiritual nurture, and for the safeguarding and benefit of society; and we further declare that so far as we know no impediment to our marriage exists. And we engage ourselves, so far as in us lies, to make every effort to realize the Christian ideal and to avail ourselves of means of grace thereto as taught and provided by Christ's Church."

II. [i.] There shall be constituted in each Diocese and Missionary District an ecclesiastical court, with jurisdiction to act in all marital cases arising under § III and § VII, where one at least of the spouses is domiciled and a stated worshipper within the Diocese or District.

[ii.] Unless otherwise provided in the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese or District, the Judge or Judges of ecclesiastical courts shall be appointed by the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, and shall be godly communicants resident in the Diocese or District qualified to deal with questions of Ecclesiastical and Civil law. The Court shall record its findings and a copy of the record shall be sent to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District.

[iii.] Unless otherwise provided in the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese or District, the Judge or Judges of an Ecclesiastical Court may fix the rules of procedure of his or their court.

III. [i.] The following are impediments to marriage:

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood) within the following degrees:
   (a) One may not marry his ascendant or descendant.
   (b) One may not marry his sister.
   (c) One may not marry the sister or brother of his ascendant or the descendant of his brother or sister.

2. Lack of free consent of either party.

3. Mistake as to the identity of either party.

4. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exercise of intelligent choice.

5. Insanity of either party.

6. Failure of either party to have reached the age of puberty.

7. Impotence of either party undisclosed to the other.

8. The existence of venereal disease in either party.

9. Facts which would make the proposed marriage bigamous.

[ii.] No Minister, knowingly after due inquiry, shall solemnize any marriage if there exist at the time of marriage any impediment to a valid marriage, nor shall any member of this Church enter upon a marriage when any impediment exists,
III.] If, after a marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court, it shall be proved that at the time of the marriage any of the impediments existed, the ecclesiastical court having jurisdiction over marital cases in the Diocese or Missionary District in which one of the parties is domiciled may declare the marriage null.

IV.] A person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court and declared null by an ecclesiastical court, may have his marriage solemnized by a Minister of this Church.

§ IV. Ministers of this Church shall be careful to secure the observance of the law of the State governing the civil contract of marriage in the place where the service shall be performed.

§ V. [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 by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

§ VI. If one party to a marriage so grievously offend the other that the security or permanence of the home is imperiled, it shall be the duty of the offended party, before instituting legal proceedings of any nature, to lay the matter before a Minister of this Church; and it shall be the duty of such Minister to labor that the parties may be reconciled.

§ VII. [i.] 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 except as provided in § III. Nor 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 section 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 further that the ecclesiastical court of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the applicant is domiciled having inquired into the conduct of the parties concerned in the divorce and having examined the record of the court proceedings, including the decree, and particularly as to the proof of domicile, personal service or appearance of the parties to the action; shall declare in writing its judgment that the case of the applicant conforms to the requirement of this Canon. In such case a Minister of this Church may solemnize the marriage; Provided, that it shall be within the discretion of any Minister to decline to solemnize any marriage.

[ii.] Any person whose former marriage has been dissolved for any cause by a civil court and who has been remarried by civil authority may apply to the ecclesiastical court of his or her domicile, for the recognition of his or her communicant status or for the right to apply for Baptism or Confirmation in this Church. The court shall thereupon inquire into the character of the parties to the previous and existing marriages and determine whether the welfare of society and the good of the parties will be served by such recognition.

In case of a favorable decision, the court shall report its judgment to the Bishop and no impediment shall exist to the admission of such
person to Holy Baptism, Confirmation or the Holy Communion in the Church, and a Minister of this Church may, in his discretion, bless the parties to the union.

The House did not concur in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 85.]

MESSAGE No. 59. 
Ninth Day of Session, 
SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1931.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received its Message No. 67 and has unanimously confirmed the election of the Right Reverend James DeWolf Perry, D.D., S.T.D., as Presiding Bishop of the Church.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Deputy.

MESSAGE No. 60. 
Ninth Day of Session, 
SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1931.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § II. of Canon 53 is hereby repealed, and the following sections of Canon 53 are renumbered to accord therewith.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Deputy.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 92.]

MESSAGE No. 61. 
Ninth Day of Session, 
SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1931.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be, and it is hereby instructed, when it makes known the 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, and that the National Council send such notices to the Bishop and Treasurer of each Diocese and Missionary District.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Deputy.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 93.]

MESSAGE No. 62. 
Ninth Day of Session, 
SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1931.

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 approves the use of Undesignated Legacies received by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society for the construction, improvement, enlargement and equipment of buildings to be used for Missionary purposes whether in Missionary Districts or in Dioceses needing aid, for the payment of expenses of promoting the Advance Work Program and for the establishment of retiring funds for church workers in the employ of the Missionary Society and for like purposes of a permanent character.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Deputy.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 94.]
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

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.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 95.]

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

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.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 96.]

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

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.
Paid Parish Visitors.
Paid Parish Secretary.
Sexton or Janitor.
Assistants to Sexton or Janitor.

All other Parish Workers (Excepting Lay Religious Educational Director, Social Service Workers, 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.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 97.]


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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the loving congratulations of this General Convention be extended to the American Church Institute for Negroes on its twenty-fifth anniversary, and also

Resolved, That we express to the Reverend Robert W. Patton, D.D., our hearty sympathy in his temporary illness and assure him of our prayers.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 98.]


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 of the House of Bishops on the General Theological Seminary and the Committee of the House of Deputies on the General Theological Seminary be hereby constituted as a Joint Ad Interim Committee of the two Houses, with power to fill vacancies.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

MESSAGE No. 68. Ninth Day of Session, September 25th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be instructed to pay annually the first $15,000.00 of the Good Friday Offerings to the Jerusalem and the East Mission (in accordance with its pledge in 1923); that any offerings over that sum shall be entrusted to the National Council to be used in the work in the Near East, and also that the National Council show in its annual report the total amount received and how expended in each year.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 100.]
MESSAGE No. 69.

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

WHEREAS, The children and the members of the Church Schools, through the Little Helpers, Birthday, Christmas and Lenten Offerings have contributed the magnificent sum of $1,600,000.00 towards the Church's Missionary work during the past triennium, Therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, First, that this Convention expresses to the children and the members of the Church Schools, its deep gratitude for their splendid and generous offering and assure them that it has been and will be expended primarily in feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, healing the sick, educating the ignorant and preaching the Gospel among the children of many races and in many lands, in the name of Him who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me."

Resolved, Second, that the Presiding Bishop be requested to convey to the children and the members of the Church Schools, in such manner as he shall see fitting, this expression of our gratitude.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

MESSAGE No. 70.

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. 69, authorizing the Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer to correct in the margin the Latin title to Psalm 119, Subsection XI, v., 81.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 71.

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 Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains be continued and that the National Council be requested to make such appropriation for carrying on the work of the Commission as the funds at its disposal may warrant.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 72.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has not concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the first resolution contained in its Message No. 36, that the General Convention recommend to the National Council the appointment as members of the Field Department and of the Departments of Missions, Religious Education and Social Service, one representative of each Province in each of these departments.

It has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the second resolution recommending that the Joint Committee on Provinces be
permitted to consider and report to the next General Convention upon the matter of the number and boundaries of the Provinces.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House yielded to the House of Deputies in the first resolution.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 122.]

MESSAGE No. 73. Ninth Day of Session, September 25th, 1931.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 50, with amendments to House of Deputies Message No. 24, therein specified.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 75. Tenth Day of Session, September 26th, 1931.

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 Venerable John Boyd Bentley to be Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of Alaska.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 76. Tenth Day of Session, September 26th, 1931.

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 Venerable Efrain Salinas to be Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of Mexico.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 77. Tenth Day of Session, September 26th, 1931.

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the Consecration of the Reverend Frederick Bethune Bartlett to be Bishop of the Missionary District of North Dakota.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 78. Tenth Day of Session, September 26th, 1931.

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. 59 amending Canon 13, § 1. [ii.].

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 80. Tenth Day of Session, September 26th, 1931.

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. 42, amending the following:

Canon 61, § V [ii.].
Canon 61, § V [v.].
Canon 61, § VI. [ii.].
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. 73 authorizing the Joint Committee on National and World Problems to correct minor mistakes and to edit the official report before it be made public.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message, and accepted the amendment.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 104.]

MESSAGE No. 82. Tenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 26TH, 1931.

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. 73 authorizing the Joint Committee on National and World Problems to correct minor mistakes and to edit the official report before it be made public.

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. 73 except in Canon 61, § II. [ii.] which was amended by striking out the last four words of the first line of paragraph 2, as it reads in the Message, and the first word in the second line of paragraph 2, namely "by the General Convention or" so that the paragraph reads as follows:

"No member of the Council elected by a Provincial Synod, etc."

and in Canon 61, § II. [iii.] in place of which a new resolution as follows, was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 61, § II. [iii.], second paragraph, be hereby amended to read as follows:

"In its capacity as the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, the Council shall have the power to direct the..."
disposition of the moneys and other property of said society in accordance with the provisions of this Canon and the orders and budgets adopted or approved by the General Convention."

ATTEND: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 107.]

The Chair announced that the Bishop of the Missionary District of South Dakota had placed his resignation in the hands of the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of San Joaquin presented the report of the Committee on the Resignation of Bishops together with the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the resignation of the Rt. Rev. Hugh Latimer Burleson, D.D., Bishop of the Missionary District of South Dakota, be accepted upon the ground that he has accepted his election to an office created by the General Convention which does not deprive him of his seat and vote in the House of Bishops.

The Bishop of Oregon on behalf of the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The Bishop of the Missionary District of South Dakota has resigned, be it

Resolved, That the Rules of Order of this House be suspended, and further

Resolved, That this House proceed, at the earliest possible moment to nominate, and elect a suitable person as Bishop of South Dakota.

The Rules of Order were suspended by over a two-thirds vote and the resolution was adopted and the matter referred to the Committee on Nominations of Missionary Bishops.

The Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following report which was adopted:

3:00 P.M. Messages.
4:40 P.M. Racial Episcopal Supervision.
5:10 P.M. Pastoral Letter.
8:30 P.M. Evening Session:
Report of the Committee on Christian Education.
Status of the Suffragan and Coadjutor Bishops.
Resolution on Naturalization.
Seamen's Work.
Dissolution of Pastoral Relations.

The Bishop of Louisiana nominated for Recorder the Rev. Wm. S. Slack, subject to the confirmation of the House of Deputies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 111.]
The Bishop of Georgia presented his resignation as a member of the Court of Trial of a Bishop. The resignation was accepted.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

MESSAGE No. 84. Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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, recommending that the two Committees on General Theological Seminary, one appointed by the House of Bishops, one by the House of Deputies, be constituted a Joint Commission of the two Houses, with the following amendment:

Substitute "Joint Committee ad interim" for the words "Joint Commission."

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 108.]

MESSAGE No. 85. Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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. 70 amending Canon 46.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House acceded in the foregoing Message of nonconcurrence.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 123.]

MESSAGE No. 86. Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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 auditors attached hereto, be accepted and printed in the Journal, subject to the finished audit by the accountants of certain receipts since August 31, 1931.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 109.]

MESSAGE No. 87. Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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, 1934, 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
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 $1,500.00 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.

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 Acting Secretary of the House of Bishops for this Convention shall be $300.00 and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same;

That the Treasurer also be authorized to pay not to exceed $300.00 for the traveling expenses of the Acting Secretary of the House of Bishops in connection with this Convention;

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 $150.00 per annum, and for expenses a sum not exceeding $150.00 for the triennial period;

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Historiographer for services, the sum of $150.00 per annum and for expenses, a sum not exceeding $150.00 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 Committee on Canons a sum not to exceed $150.00;

For the expenses of the Committee on Budget and Program a sum not to exceed $100.00;

For other expenses during the coming triennial period based on the experience of similar previous periods, a sum not to exceed $5,000.00.
The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 110.]

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we hereby address the Congress of the United States, the following petition:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America:

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in General Convention assembled, respectfully petitions your Honorable Body to enact a law, (not censorship), for the Federal Supervision of Motion Pictures in interstate and foreign commerce, establishing higher moral standards to be applied before pictures are filmed, by means of a Federal Commission similar to the method by which the Radio, National Banks and Railroads are regulated.

It is believed that only such a centralized authority as the United States Government can wisely and effectively regulate the centralized Motion Picture Industry for the whole of the United States and other Nations of the World, in the interest of World Peace and Moral standards, because at least 80% of all films shown in the Nations of the World are produced in our land.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 115.]

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 it is 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. 116.]

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 entertainment and expenses of the Lord Bishop of St. Albans, the guest of and the preacher at the opening session of this 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. 117.]
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, It is a matter of common knowledge that the moving picture houses of this country are frequented by great numbers of the people, including the boys and girls of every section and community, and

WHEREAS, It is also a matter of common knowledge that much that is shown in the moving pictures is objectionable from a moral and social point of view. Therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention records its vigorous protest against the making and showing of all pictures which depict criminal or salacious subject matter; and earnestly urges that all producers of moving pictures in this country recognize their high moral and social obligation to the people of the land, especially the youth; and, Further be it

Resolved, That this Convention calls all right-minded people to refrain from frequenting pictures which depict criminal or salacious subjects.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 118.]

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Church invite all Christian bodies throughout the land to unite with us during the last two weeks of the next Lenten Season in daily intercession to Almighty God that he may guide all men everywhere to the accomplishment of His Will and bring them into the way of peace; and that in the Spirit of Evangelism the last two weeks of Lent be made a special season of penitence, prayer, praise and preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ; and, be it further

Resolved, That the Commission on Evangelism be requested to take such steps as may be necessary and advisable to effect the object of this resolution.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 119.]

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Advance Work Program for the next triennium be approved and that the following instructions be communicated to the National Council:

(1) That the items of the Advance Work Program presented which are carried over from the last triennium be, so far as possible, regarded as Priorities;
(2) That all Dioceses which have completed their undertakings on the 1929-31 Advance Work Program be dispensed from further solicitation in 1932 for the new Advance Work Program;

(3) That the National Council defer any further organized effort for the new Advance Work Program until they are convinced that financial conditions justify that step.

ATTTEST: 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 design be adopted as the Flag of this Church and the same design to be worked into a seal:

The design is heraldically blazoned as follows:

Argent on a cross gules charged with an open book proper, in dexter chief an American Eagle full front head erect in profile turned to dexter, displayed azure grasping in its talons an olive branch vert,

Or, in ordinary language,

A white or silver field on which is a red cross extending to the four edges of the field, in the centre of the cross an open book in proper colors, black with blue edges and white leaves, in the upper quarter next the staff an American Eagle in blue full front with wings fanned down similar to a lectern eagle, head erect in profile facing the staff and grasping in its talons a green olive branch.

The seal to be a shield with the above design upon it, above the shield an Anglican mitre; a key with wards upward and a crozier crossed in saltier behind the shield, below the shield a ribbon on which are the words:

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel."

The shield with its ornamentation to be enclosed in vesics on the outer edge of which is the legend:

"Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

and, be it further

Resolved, That this Commission be continued with power to fill vacancies and to add to its number.

ATTTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House did not concur in the above Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 124.]


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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That an Advisory Committee of five persons, communicants of this Church, at least three of whom are actively engaged in College Teaching or Administration, shall be appointed by the Chairman of this House in consultation with the Chairman of the House of Bishops, to constitute a Committee of
Visitation and Consultation to study the needs and problems of our Church colleges.

The above Message was referred to the Commission on Christian Education.

MESSAGE No. 97.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we strongly recommend to the National Council that the National Commission on Evangelism be granted an extra appropriation of $2,000.00, providing this can be done without increasing the Budget.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House did not concur in the above Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 126.]

MESSAGE No. 99.

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 relating to the illicit narcotic drug traffic.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 100.

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. 58 concerning the Order of Deaconesses, with the following amendments:

Resolution 2—third line—substitute "as may be possible" for the word "necessary."

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the above amendment.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 127.]

MESSAGE No. 101.

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. 77, recommending that the Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop be continued and that, pending final passage of appropriate amendments to Article I, of the Constitution and the passage of a Canon to make this operative, the Presiding Bishop is empowered to nominate for election by the House of Bishops, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies, an assistant.

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. 72, with the following amendments:

In the first resolution—second line—strike out the words "adopted as the mind of this Convention," and substitute the words "submitted for the careful consideration of our fellow Churchmen."

Strike out all of the second resolution with preambles; also strike out the words "and may with all other nations", etc., so that the whole shall read:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the foregoing statement be submitted for the careful consideration of our fellow Churchmen, and be it further

Resolved, That this Convention request the churches throughout the country to set apart Sunday, November 8, 1931, being the Sunday nearest Armistice Day, as a day of prayer and penitence, to be observed in such manner as the Bishops of the several dioceses and missionary jurisdictions may approve, to the end that all the people of this Church may assemble to invoke God's Mercy, to pray for His forgiveness, and to ask His guidance that this nation under God may speedily be restored to the wholesome ways of peace and happiness, of sobriety and Christian practice and obedience to His divine Will. Be it further

Resolved, That, in concert with the Communions which have been in conference with us, we respectfully request the President of the United States to designate Sunday, November Eighth, and Saturday, November Seventh, as a time of prayer for all the people.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
The Bishop of Cuba, the Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 135.]


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. 82, with the following amendment:

Strike out all of the Message following the heading "Canon 43" and substitute in place thereof the amendments to Canon 43 as adopted by the House of Deputies and contained in its Message No. 58 to the House of Bishops.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

With reference to the above Message, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Message No. 105 from the House of Deputies be amended by striking out the amendments to Canon 43 as contained therein and substituting in place thereof the amendments to Canon 43 as adopted by this House and contained in its Message No. 82 to the House of Deputies, and request that a Committee on Conference be immediately appointed.

The Presiding Bishop on behalf of this House appointed:

The Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Alabama, the Bishop of Colorado.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 102.]


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. 102 with reference to Canon 43 and requesting a Committee of Conference be appointed.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: Mr. Seymour of Long Island, Mr. Beale of Massachusetts, the Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York.

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. 52, referring to the proposed amendment to Article II, Sec. 6, of the Constitution.

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 con-
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 commends to all Diocesans and to all Vestries of Parishes in college communities, the advantage of consulting with the College Commission through the National Secretary for College Work when filling vacancies in such parishes.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Duluth presented the report of the Committee on Christian Education on the matter of Message No. 94 of the House of Deputies.

The House concurred with the foregoing resolution.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 125.]

The Bishop Coadjutor of Duluth presented the Report of the Committee on Christian Education on the matter of King Theological Hall, together with the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the House of Bishops approve the Report of the Joint Commission on King Theological Hall, that the Joint Commission be continued, and that the Presiding Bishop be requested to fill the vacancies on the Commission occasioned by the death of the Rt. Rev. Beverly D. Tucker and the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland.

Resolved, That the Joint Commission be requested to take steps to wind up the affairs of King Theological Hall at as early a date as possible.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 112.]

The Presiding Bishop later appointed the Bishop of Virginia and the Bishop of Pennsylvania, for this House.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Duluth presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the House of Bishops looks with favor upon the National Council's policy of granting subsidies to pay, in whole or in part, the salaries of student pastors, both men and women, thus aiding the Dioceses and Missionary Districts where these leaders work; and instructs the National Council to put in operation, wherever expedient, and where requested to do so by the Diocesan, a similar policy to provide Diocesan or District Directors of Religious Education.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 129.]
The Bishop Coadjutor of Duluth presented by title the Report on the Five Colleges affiliated with the Protestant Episcopal Church, together with the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the House of Bishops expresses its deep appreciation of the work of this special committee, and the value of the facts disclosed.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 130.]

Also the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Presiding Bishop is hereby requested to appoint a continuing Advisory Committee on Church Colleges to consist of five members of the Church, the Committee to be placed in the Department of Religious Education.

Also the following resolution:

Resolved, That an appropriation of $1,200 per year shall be made available to this Committee out of funds not otherwise appropriated.

The above resolution was referred back to the Committee on Religious Education.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Duluth offered the following resolution:

Whereas, The Church Boarding Preparatory Schools, are among the most valuable agencies the Church possesses for executing the teaching Mission of the Church; and for the development of character; and,

Whereas, Because of the failure of our Church people generally to appreciate this fact these schools have received such scant support both in the way of patronage and gifts from our people that almost every year one or more of them either has to be closed or are lost to the Church; and,

Whereas, These Schools, as a rule, are in jurisdictions which are themselves not able to aid them financially; Therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the National Council be and it is hereby instructed to see that its Department of Religious Education begins a sustained campaign of education of our people to the end that proper support may be secured both in students and gifts; and that the sum of $5,000, not otherwise appropriated, be set aside for this purpose.

On motion of Bishop Burleson the specified amount of money was deleted.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 131.]

On motion of the Bishop of Porto Rico, the House proceeded to the nomination of a Bishop of the Missionary District of South Dakota.
The Bishop of Georgia moved that the Rules of Order be suspended and nominations be received from the floor. The resolution was adopted by over a two-thirds vote.

Bishop Burleson placed in nomination the name of the Rt. Rev. William Blair Roberts which was seconded. No other nominations were made.

The Bishop of Newark moved that the House proceed to the election in this room tomorrow morning immediately after assembling in session. The resolution was adopted.

The Bishop of Albany presented the following resolution which was adopted:

**WHEREAS,** The Supreme Court by a vote of 5 to 4 has recently decided that the oath of allegiance for citizenship requires a promise to bear arms in any war regardless of the conscience of the individual, and

**WHEREAS,** The dissenting opinion written by Chief Justice Hughes asserts the following principles—

"In the forum of conscience duty to a moral power higher than the State has always been maintained. The essence of religion is belief in a relation to God involving duties superior to those arising from any human relation.

"One cannot speak of religious liberty with proper appreciation of its essential and historic significance, without assuming the existence of a belief in supreme allegiance to the Will of God."

"Freedom of conscience itself implies respect for an innate conviction of paramount duty. The battle for religious liberty has been fought and won with respect to religious beliefs and practices, which are not in conflict with good order, upon the very ground of the supremacy of conscience in its proper field."

**WHEREAS,** Christians can recognize no authority superior to that of the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, though it is conceded that if a man's conscience compels him to disobey the laws of his country, he must be prepared without complaint to take the consequences of such disobedience,

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That we earnestly petition Congress to modify existing laws particularly the Naturalization Act of 1906, so as to avoid placing multitudes of loyal citizens in the unhappy position of being forced to choose between their Country and their God.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 113.]

The Bishop of Easton presented the report of the Joint Commission on Seamen’s Work, together with the following resolutions which were adopted:

**WHEREAS,** The Seamen's Church Institute of New York has requested that "the Seamen's Church Institute of America consider such change in its name, as while still indicating the National Scope of its work, shall render it unlikely that the public will confound the two Institutes in connection with legacies, donations, or otherwise," and
WHEREAS, The Seamen’s Church Institute of America has denied this request and through its acting President replied “we feel a loyalty to the General Convention which gave us this name, and to the National Council by which we are in part supported, to carry on under their direction,” and

WHEREAS, The Seamen’s Church Institute of America has, through its Executive Secretary, asked the Joint Commission on Seamen’s work to determine the mind of General Convention on this matter; be it

Resolved, First: That the name “Seamen’s Church Institute of America” is so intimately associated with the interest taken by our Church in Merchant Seamen and is the title under which this great enterprise in behalf of Merchant Seamen has become known both nationally and internationally, therefore every effort should be made to avoid the possible inconveniences and misunderstandings connected with a change in its name; and

Second: That this consideration, however, does not supersede the importance of encouraging the progress of every autonomous institute affiliated with the Seamen’s Church Institute of America and therefore, if it be demonstrated that any affiliated institute be seriously hampered by the present name of the National Organization a change in name may be advisable and will in no way affect the support which General Convention will give to the Seamen’s Church Institute of America under another name; and permission is hereby given for such change in name as may be deemed by the Board of Directors of the Seamen’s Church Institute of America; and

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Seamen’s Work be continued and that the following be elected members from this House for the ensuing triennium:

The Bishop of California, the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of South Carolina, the Bishop of Easton, the Bishop of Olympia, the Bishop of Texas, the Bishop of New York.

The Committee respectfully suggests to the House of Deputies the following nominations for membership on this Joint Committee representing the House of Deputies:


Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the report of the Joint Commission on Seamen’s Work be approved and the resolutions therein be adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 114.]

The Bishop of New Jersey on behalf of the Commission on the Status of Suffragan and Coadjutor Bishops, presented the report, by title, and the Committee was continued.

The Bishop of Oregon presented, by title, the Report of the Commission on City Missions, which was received for printing.

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

On motion, the House adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1931.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio reading a Lesson from Holy Scripture.

The Bishop of Georgia was in the Chair.

The Minutes were read, corrected and approved.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Bishop of Alaska presented through the Chair to the House the Rt. Rev. John Boyd Bentley, Suffragan Bishop of Alaska.

The Bishop of Mexico presented through the Chair to the House the Rt. Rev. Efrain Salinas, the Suffragan Bishop of Mexico.

The order of the day being called for, the House went into Executive Session for the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of South Dakota.

The Suffragan Bishop of Alaska read a Lesson from Holy Scripture.

The Chair appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Missouri and the Bishop of Tohoku as tellers.

The Bishop of Porto Rico on behalf of the Committee on Nominations of Missionary Bishops, reported that the Committee approved the nomination of the Rt. Rev. William Blair Roberts which had been made by the Bishop of South Dakota.
The Bishops deposited their ballots and the Rt. Rev. William Blair Roberts, Suffragan Bishop of South Dakota, was found on the first ballot to have received a unanimous vote, and was thereupon declared by the Chair to have been chosen, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies, Bishop of the Missionary District of South Dakota.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 128.]

The Bishop of New Jersey presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops commend to the consciences of our people the grave moral dangers which attend the growing use of contraceptives and the propaganda in favor of birth control and declare as their solemn judgment that the use of all unnatural means to limit the family is contrary to the principles of the Christian religion.

On motion, the resolution was laid upon the table.

On motion of the Bishop of Newark the rules of order were suspended by a two-thirds vote and the Chair was asked to appoint a Committee on the Pastoral Letter for the next Convention.

The Presiding Bishop appointed the Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Texas and the Bishop of Duluth.

The Bishop of San Joaquin presented the report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter, reading the letter prepared by the Committee.

Various suggestions and objections having been made, the matter was referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia, the House rose from Executive Session.

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia, the following resolution was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, That the following amendment to the Rules of Order of this House be amended by making the following as new Rule, to-wit: "A motion for a Committee of Conference shall be in order only when the House of Deputies has amended a measure adopted by this House."

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in its Message No. 96 that an advisory committee of five persons be constituted a Committee of Visitation and Consultation to study the needs and problems of our Church colleges.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 137.]
On motion of the Bishop of Delaware the following resolutions were laid upon the table:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Presiding Bishop is hereby requested to appoint a continuing Advisory Committee on Church Colleges to consist of five members of the Church, the Committee to be placed in the Department of Religious Education, and further

Resolved, That an appropriation of $1,200 per year shall be made available to this Committee out of funds not otherwise appropriated.

On nomination of the Bishop of Tennessee, the following members of the National Council were elected by this House:

The Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of Ohio, Rev. Dr. Percy Silver of New York, Rev. Dr. Karl M. Block of Missouri, Messrs. Harper Sibley of Western New York, John Newbold, Z. C. Patten, Jr., of Tennessee, Mr. Castle of Washington.

To fill vacancy caused by death of Gov. Manning:

Mr. Stewart Bryan, of Virginia.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by concurrence Message No. 143.]

The Joint Committee of Conference to discuss further Canon 43, reported that it recommends all of the Canon except § II. [i.] (c), and also that Section referring to one of the parties of marriage being a Baptized Christian; and that these be held for reference as unfinished business until the next General Convention. Also it recommended similar action for all of § V.

The following Message from the House of Deputies together with the Report of the Committee was presented to the House:

MESSAGE No. 114.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Report of the Committee of Conference on the proposed Canon 43 be adopted and agreed to by both Houses.

CANON 43

Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony

§ I. Ministers of this Church shall within their Cures give instruction both publicly and privately, on the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities and the mutual love and forbearance which it requires.

§ II. Ministers of this Church shall conform to the laws of the State governing the civil contract of marriage, and also to the laws of this Church governing the solemnization of Holy Matrimony.
§ III. [i.] No Minister of this Church shall solemnize any marriage before the following conditions have been carefully complied with:

(a) He shall ascertain by due inquiry the right of the parties according to the laws of this Church to contract a marriage.

(b) He shall instruct the contracting parties as to the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities, and the means of grace which God has provided through His Church.

[ii.] There shall be at least two witnesses present at the solemnization of the marriage.

[iii.] 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, by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

[iv.] No marriage shall be solemnized by a Minister of this Church unless the intention of the contracting parties shall have been signified to the Minister at least three days before the service of solemnization.

§ IV. If one party to a marriage so grievously offend the other that the security or permanence of the home is imperiled it shall be the duty of the offended party to lay the matter before a Minister of the Church; and it shall be the duty of such Minister to labor that the parties may be reconciled.

§ V. 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. Nor 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, be laid before the Ecclesiastical Authority, and such Ecclesiastical Authority, having taken legal advice thereon, 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.

§ VI. [i.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court may apply to the Bishop or to the Ecclesiastical Court constituted by Canon, of the Diocese or Missionary District of the said person's domicile to have the said marriage declared null and void by reason of any of the following impediments to marriage:

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood) within the following degrees:
   (a) One may not marry one's ascendant or descendant.
   (b) One may not marry one's sister.
   (c) One may not marry the sister or brother of one's ascendant or the descendant of one's brother or sister.

2. Lack of free consent of either party.
3. Mistake as to the identity of either party.
4. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exercise of intelligent choice.
5. Insanity of either party.
6. Failure of either party to have reached the age of puberty.
7. Impotence of either party undisclosed to the other.
8. The existence of venereal disease in either party.
9. Facts which would make the proposed marriage bigamous.

[ii.] The Bishop in such case, after taking legal advice thereon, or the Ecclesiastical Court proceeding in accordance with the canons and acting through the Bishop, shall render judgment in writing to the petitioner. All judgments rendered under this Canon by the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Court shall be made matters of permanent record in the archives of the Diocese or Missionary District. No such judgment shall be construed as referring in any way to the legitimacy of children or the civil validity of the former relationship.

[iii.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court and pronounced null by the Bishop, may be married by a Minister of this Church as if he had never previously been married.

§ VII. [i.] If any Minister of this Church shall have cause to think that a person desirous of Holy Baptism, or of Confirmation, or of receiving 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. The Bishop, after due inquiry into the circumstances, and taking into consideration the godly discipline both of justice and of mercy, shall give his judgment thereon in writing. Provided, however, that no Minister shall in any case refuse these ordinances to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

[ii.] Any persons who have been married by civil authority, or otherwise than as this Church provides may apply to the Bishop or to the Ecclesiastical Court of their domicile for the recognition of communicant status or for the right to apply for Holy Baptism or Confirmation. After due inquiry into all the facts relevant thereto, judgment shall be given in writing to the petitioners by the Bishop or by the Ecclesiastical Court acting through the Bishop. In case of a favorable decision, a Minister of this Church may, at his discretion, bless the parties to the union.

Resolved, That § III. [i.] reading as follows:

"(c) He shall satisfy himself that at least one of the proposed contracting parties has received Christian Baptism."

and § I. [ii.] in the Committee on Canons Report No. 9, House of Deputies Message No. 58 to the House of Bishops, viz.: the pledge required to be taken by the parties to the marriage be referred to the next General Convention as unfinished business.

Resolved, That any modification of § V. in the House of Bishops Message No. 82, be also left as unfinished business, to be taken up at the next General Convention.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.
The Bishop of Iowa moved as a substitute that the whole report be recommitted to the Commission.

The Bishop of Georgia offered a substitute motion that all of Canon 43 be referred to the next Convention as unfinished business.

The Bishop of Iowa accepted the substitute.

The motion was lost.

The Bishop of Alabama moved the adoption of the report of the Joint Committee of Conference.

The Bishop of Idaho moved that § VI. be added to the portion recommended by the Commission for reference to the next Convention. The motion was lost.

The Bishop of Alabama moved that Canon 43 be adopted as recommended by the Joint Committee of Conference, reserving those certain Sections for reference for the next Convention as unfinished business, thus concurring with Message No. 114 of the House of Deputies.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 144.]

The Bishop of Michigan presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Commission be continued with the understanding that it will co-operate with other agencies to secure a scientific study of the subject of marriage and divorce, including the study of moral and religious factors, and also to further every undertaking which looks to education for Christian marriage; and that for the purpose of its work the Commission have power to add to its number.

On motion of the Bishop of Central New York, the following substitute was made to the above resolution, and was adopted:

Resolved, That all reports of Joint Commissions and Committees of General Convention shall be submitted to the Presiding Bishop not later than three months prior to the convening of General Convention, and that the Presiding Bishop be requested, to have these reports made public exclusively through the Publicity Department of the National Council, it being understood that the acts and reports of these Commissions shall be held as confidential until they have been given to the public in the manner herewith specified.

On motion of the Bishop of Missouri, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Commission be continued with power to add to its number and fill vacancies, and further be it
Resolved, That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be requested to prepare and publish a digest of said Canon law.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 134.]

The Bishop of Colorado moved that the editor of "The Church at Work" be asked to publish Canon 43 in full and send marked copies to the clergy. The resolution was adopted.

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented by title the Report of the Commission on Racial Episcopate which was received. On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the resolution attached to this report was withdrawn.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, a resolution to amend Article VI of the Constitution was recommitted to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in its Message No. 56, providing for the appointment of a Joint Commission on the Status of the Negro in the Episcopal Church. The Chair appointed the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Indianapolis, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, the Bishop of Texas, and the Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 138.]

On motion of the Bishop of Los Angeles, amendments to Canon 42 were referred back to the Committee on Canons for further consideration and presentation at the next Convention.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:


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, proposing to amend Article I, Sec. 3, of the Constitution.

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. 38, proposing to amend Article II, Sec. 6, of the Constitution.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.


The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we urge upon the separate Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the Church to take steps to require that all duly elected Clerical and Lay Deputies to the General Convention notify the Secretary of their respective Dioceses or Missionary Districts at least thirty days before the opening day of General Convention whether they have reasonable expectation of being able to attend. If they have not such reasonable expectation, that they so notify the Secretary of their respective Dioceses or Missionary Districts, in order that the Alternate Deputies may have time in which to prepare to attend.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 148.]

MESSAGE No. 112. Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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. 61, recommending the appointment of a Joint Commission on Religious Services to arrange for the devotions of the next General Convention, and the President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York, the Rev. Dr. Osgood of Minnesota, Mr. Barber of Chicago, Mr. Pearse of New Jersey, Mr. Johnson of Colorado.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The Presiding Bishop on the part of this House appointed:

The Bishop of Newark, the Bishop of Atlanta, the Bishop of Vermont.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by revised Message No. 61.]

MESSAGE No. 113. Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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 Joint Commission be appointed for the translation and publication of the Book of Common Prayer in French, and the President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Gummey of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Gates of New York, Mr. Sturgis of Colorado, Mr. Minot of Massachusetts.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 115. Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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 Commission appointed at the General Convention in the City of New Orleans in 1925 be adopted as to Canons 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 40,
together with amendments as indicated in the accompanying copy of the same.

**Attest:** Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 145.]

**Message No. 116.**

Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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

Resolved, That the House of Deputies give its consent to the election of the Rt. Rev. William Blair Roberts to be Bishop of the Missionary District of South Dakota.

**Attest:** Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on Canons presented Message No. 38 of the House of Deputies as follows:

**Message No. 38.**

Sixth Day of Session, September 22nd, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 23 be amended so as to read:

**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 any 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 congregations of this Church, on special occasions.

**Attest:** Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House did not concur in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 106.]

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the House concurred with the House of Deputies in its Message No. 53, as follows:

**Message No. 53.**

Ninth Day of Session, September 25th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 7, § VI. [i.] be amended so as to read as follows:
§ 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,

or (c) Three Presbyters of this Church who have known the candidate for the space of three years last past; or

(d) Should the candidate within the space of three years last past have been a Minister or Licentiate in some other body of Christians, by three Presbyters of this Church as to the period during which he has been a candidate, and by six adult male members in good standing of the denomination from which the candidate came, as to the period, within the space of three years last past, before he became a candidate.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 146.]

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, a new Canon, No. 47, of Clergy and Congregation affiliated with this Church, was referred back to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Porto Rico, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That in their further study of the matter of Holy Matrimony, the Joint Commission on this subject be requested to add to its number at least four women, communicants of this Church who may serve in a consultative capacity.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 139.]

On motion of the Bishop of New Hampshire, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Church express its thanks and appreciation to the members of the Board of Trustees of the Church Pension Fund, to its president Bishop Lawrence, and to its executive vice-president Mr. Monell Sayre for the effective handling of the pension funds of the Church whereby (in the short space of 15 years) the minimum pension of our clergy has been increased from $600.00 to $1,000.00 a year.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 141.]

On nomination of the Bishop of Indianapolis, the following Bishops were elected for the Court for the Trial of a Bishop:

(a) The Bishop of Pittsburgh to serve until 1934, in place of the Bishop of Georgia, resigned.

(b) The Bishop of Indianapolis, to serve until 1937 in the place of the Bishop of Southern Ohio, resigned.
(c) To serve until 1940, the Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Iowa.

On nomination of the Bishop of Indianapolis, the following Bishops were elected for the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop:

(a) The Bishop of Mississippi to serve until 1934 in the place of the Bishop of Louisiana, deceased, and the Bishop of Western New York in place of the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York.

(b) The Bishop of Delaware to serve until 1937 to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the Bishop of Ohio.

(c) To serve until 1940, the Bishop of California, the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of Albany.

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky, the following amendment to Rules of Order was adopted:

Resolved, That the following amendment be made to the Rules of Order to be numbered XXII; namely, a Motion for a Committee of Conference shall be in order only when the House of Deputies has amended a measure adopted by this House.

The Bishop of Kentucky presented a resolution to amend Standing Order No. 13 of the Rules of Order. On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, this resolution was referred back to the Committee on Rules to report at the next meeting of the House.

On motion of Bishop Burleson, the following resolution was unanimously carried:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops hereby expresses to the Governor, the Board of Capitol Managers, and the Commonwealth of Colorado its grateful appreciation of the generous courtesy by which its Assembly Chamber was placed at the disposal of this House for its meeting during the General Convention of 1931. We further crave the privilege, if it should seem good to the Governor and the Legislature, of making some permanent record of our sense of obligation. We therefore suggest that we be permitted to place in tablet form in some proper setting in the State Capitol the following declaration:

THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS
OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
GRATEFULLY ACKNOWLEDGES
THE GENEROUS KINDNESS AND
THE GRACIOUS HOSPITALITY
OF THE STATE OF COLORADO
IN PLACING AT ITS DISPOSAL
THIS ASSEMBLY CHAMBER FOR
ITS MEETING IN SEPTEMBER, 1931
The Bishop of Oregon presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 43, § VI [i.]
be amended by adding the words “provided the matter is presented to
the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Authority not later than five years
after the marriage is contracted,” and it is further

Resolved, That this amendment be considered as unfinished business for
consideration between now and the next meeting of General Conven­
tion and for presentation and action at that time.

The above resolution was referred to the Committee on
Canons to report at the next General Convention.

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 14, § II. [ii.]
be amended by adding the following:

“When a vacancy shall occur in a foreign missionary district which
is part of a national Church, said national Church, either through its
general synod or through its House of Bishops, may nominate a per­
son to the House of Bishops which nomination shall be acted on as
provided in the case of nomination by the synod of a province.”

The resolution was lost by a vote of 16 to 28.

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 14, § IV. be
amended by adding the following:

“Provided further, That a Missionary Bishop in a foreign country,
when a national church has been organized and the Missionary Bishop
is also a member of the House of Bishops of said National Church,
he shall be entitled to a seat but not to a vote in the House of
Bishops.”

The above resolution was recommitted to the Committee on
Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis, the following res­
olutions were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Conven­
tion affirms the action of the House of Bishops at the General Conven­
tion of 1928, acknowledging the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui as a
branch of the Catholic Church with which this Church is in full com­
munion and recognized its right to act in all things pertaining to its
own Canons and Standing Orders; and

Resolved further, That this statement be communicated to the House
of Bishops of Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui and to the House of Bish­
ops of the Nippon Sei Kokwai with an expression of thankfulness for
the provincial organization attained in China and Japan whereby the
Nippon Sei Kokwai and the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui have become
constituent Churches of the Anglican Communion.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 142.]

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis, the following res­
olution was adopted:
Resolved, That this House assures the authorities of the Nippon Sei Kokwai and of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui that it will be ready at all times to give sympathetic consideration to nominations of the House of Bishops of each of the said Churches for the filling of vacancies in the Missionary Episcopate.

On motion of the Bishop of San Joaquin, the House went into Executive Session.

The House listened to revisions made in the Pastoral Letter. On motion the Pastoral Letter was adopted. (Page 155.)

The Bishop of Central New York moved that the Pastoral Letter be sent out to the Clergy as quickly as possible. The resolution was adopted.

The Chair announced that the Communication from William Montgomery Brown was re judicata and thus was not a matter for the House, and the House approved the ruling of the Chair.

The House rose from Executive Session.

The Presiding Bishop announced the following appointment: Committee of five Bishops on Joint Commission on Disparity between Quotas and Appropriations to Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses:

The Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of San Joaquin, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, the Bishop of Kansas.

The Bishop of Cuba reported for the Committee of Conference on the matter of the place of the next General Convention as follows:

Recognizing the historic significance of the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the Diocese of New Jersey, your Committee feels it is desirable that the General Convention be held in the Diocese of New Jersey. We feel the situation of the City of Princeton is ideal for this Convention and recommend to the Bishop of New Jersey that if at all possible, Princeton be selected. If for good and sufficient reasons, Princeton is not available, we recommend that we go to Cleveland.

The Bishop of Colorado presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That we do not accede to the report of the Conference Committee and are ready to concur with the House of Deputies in selecting Minneapolis for the next meeting of the General Convention.

The motion was lost, according to the Rules of Order, on a tie vote.

The Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina presented the following report of the Committee on the Despatch of Business which was adopted:
The Committee on Despatch of Business recommends that the House meet as usual tomorrow, Wednesday, September 30th, at 10 A.M., that adjournment be taken not later than one o'clock; that the Reports be in order of:

- The Committee on Unfinished Business.
- The Conference Committee on the Place of Next Convention.
- The Transaction of such business as may be in order.

On motion the House adjourned.

THIRTEENTH DAY

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Minutes of yesterday's session were read, corrected and approved as amended.

On the Joint Commission on Christian Healing, the Presiding Bishop appointed the following:

The Bishop of Mississippi, the Bishop of California, the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Ohio, the Bishop of West Missouri.

The Bishop of Colorado on behalf of the Committee on Canons made the following report:

Your Committee on Canons respectfully reports, in accordance with Canon 63, § II., that they have appointed the Bishop of Minnesota, and the Bishop of New Hampshire to certify the changes made in the Canons at this meeting of the General Convention.

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the profound conviction of the General Convention that the work of Missions is the supreme task of the Church and the National Council is hereby requested to make this evident by giving the work of the Departments of Domestic and Foreign Missions the foremost place in its consideration.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That each of the sub-clauses of Joint Rule 3 be numbered consecutively as separate rules instead of as sub-clauses of one rule; and further

Resolved, That the present clause [iv.] of present Joint Rule 3 be amended by adding thereto the following sentence:

"No Joint Resolution creating Joint Committees or Joint Commissions shall provide that they shall have power to fill vacancies or to add to their number unless the same is so ordered by a two-thirds vote of each House."

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 151.]

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:

For nine years: the Bishop of New York, the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York, the Rev. Frank Nelson, D.D., of Cincinnati, Mr. Charlton Yarnel of Philadelphia, Mr. Origen S. Seymour of Long Island, Mr. Stephen Baker of New York, (in place of Mr. Allen Wardwell).

For the term expiring in 1934:

Mr. Frank L. Polk of New York,

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 140.]

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:

For six years term: Bishop Stires of Long Island, Bishop Stewart of Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Silver of New York, the Rev. Dr. Block of Missouri, Mr. Sibley of Western New York, Mr. Patten of Tennessee, Mr. Newbold of Pennsylvania, Mr. Castle of Washington, D.C.

For three years term: Bishop Rogers of Ohio, Dean Dagwell of Colorado, Mr. Bryan of Virginia.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 143.]

**MESSAGE No. 120.**

Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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

Whereas, There has been referred to our Committee a resolution appended to the Report of the Commission on Christian Education based on the report of a Commission appointed to study the five Church Colleges, the said resolution asking recommendation of an appropriation of not more than $1,200.00 for expenses; be it

Resolved, That this Committee, through its Secretary, acquaint the House with the principle established in this Committee whereby recommended appropriations for items not included in the adopted Budget shall be commended to the National Council for consideration, but that no definite appropriation be recommended by this Committee; be it further

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we do favorably commend to the National Council this recommendation of the Committee on Religious Education.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 152.]

**MESSAGE No. 121.**

Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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 recommend to the Provinces the creation in each Province of a Commission, consisting of the Bishops of the Province and a suitable number of Presbyters and Laymen of the Province to consider at once the circumstances and the needs of the non-parochial disabled and destitute Clergy within its territorial limits who do not now come within the canonical purview and beneficient activity of the Church Pension Fund and make for them every possible provision as soon as possible.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 153.]

**MESSAGE No. 122.**

Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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

Resolved, That the House of Deputies is awaiting the action of the House of Bishops relative to the Memorial of the Diocese of Michigan
with the amended Canon proposed and adopted by the House of Deputies early in the session of the Convention.

**ATTEST:** CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

**MESSAGE No. 123.** Twelfth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1931.

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

**WHEREAS,** It appears that during the coming winter all social agencies will be called upon to extend relief to the needy and to aid in securing work for the unemployed and there may be difficulty in discriminating between those actually in need and those who are not worthy of assistance, and

**WHEREAS,** The social organizations in the various parishes of the Church are in a position to ascertain the actual needs, not only of our own people, but of many others in their parishes;

**Resolved,** the House of Bishops concurring, That it be recommended to all the Rectors and other authorities of every parish to establish cooperation with other Churches in their vicinity to secure and furnish to National, State and Local Committees on unemployment information which may aid them in giving assistance and employment to those in actual distress and to prevent the abuse of the agencies of relief;

**Further Resolved,** That all church members be urged to co-operate actively with local agencies engaged in such work.

**ATTEST:** CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 154.]

**MESSAGE No. 124.** Twelfth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1931.

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

**Resolved,** the House of Bishops concurring, That a Bishop, to be designated by the House of Bishops, and the President of the House of Deputies be and they are hereby requested to select or prepare appropriate prayers and devotions to be appended to the Report of the Joint Committee on National and World Problems and that the Report and all resolutions adopted pertaining thereto, together with the prayers appended be sent to all the clergy and vacant parishes and Theological Seminaries for their students with the suggestion that the Report be read and the prayers used in connection with the services of intercession suggested in said report of the Joint Commission for Sunday, November 8th, and Saturday, November 7th, 1931.

**ATTEST:** CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 155.]

The Presiding Bishop later appointed, on the part of the House, Bishop Rhinelander.
MESSAGE No. 125.
Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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. 121, referring to House of Deputies Message No. 79.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 126.
Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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 Messages Nos. 80 and 132 relative to Canon 24, § I. and § II.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 127.
Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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. 133, recommending that the President of the United States be informed that it is the sense of the Convention that our Government should urge an immediate substantial reduction of armament of all nations of the world at the disarmament conference of February, 1932.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 128.
Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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. 79, proposing amendment to Canon 13 on the Translation of Bishops.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 129.
Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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 approval of the Report of the Joint Commission on King Theological Hall, that the Joint Commission be continued, that the Presiding Bishop be requested to fill vacancies on the Commission and that the Joint Commission be requested to take steps to wind up the affairs of King Theological Hall at as early a date as possible.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 130.
Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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. 81, recommending that the Senate of the United States be informed that it is the sense of this Convention that the United States should become a member of the Permanent Court of International Justice without delay.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Church Press is faced by a serious financial situation due to a lack of support by the members of the Church, and

WHEREAS, It is a recognized fact that education through the medium of publicity is in this modern day an accepted method of spreading Christ's Kingdom; be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the nation-wide subscription campaign for the support of our national weeklies, including The Churchman, The Witness, The Southern Churchman and The Living Church, to be put on by the boys and young men of the Advance Division of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew during the month of November, as a service to the Church, be commended to the attention and support of the Bishops, Priests, and lay members of the Church throughout the United States.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 156.]

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

WHEREAS, The utmost importance attached to the widest dissemination of adequate and accurate reports of activities within the Houses of and incidental to this General Convention; and

WHEREAS, National Press Associations, leading newspapers in many sections of the country, as well as local broadcasting stations and telephone and telegraph companies have contributed to make this nation-wide service possible, Therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention herewith expresses its appreciation of the generous co-operation accorded by these agencies; and further be it

Resolved, That this Convention expresses like appreciation for the sustained and capable work of the Department of Publicity in general and of National News Bureau in particular for its effective efforts in organizing these agencies on behalf of such nation-wide publicity whether by the printed word, by radio or by picture.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 166.]

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

WHEREAS, The Industrial Fellowship of the Episcopal Church has been established since the last General Convention under the auspices
of the Department of Christian Social Service by a group of laymen in our Church for the two-fold purpose:

1. To affirm the ultimate authority of the Christian law to rule social practice.

2. To study in common how to apply the principles of Christianity to the industrial and economic conditions of our time; therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention urges the extension of the Industrial Fellowship of the Church, and asks the Department of Christian Social Service to encourage the formation of diocesan chapters of the Industrial Fellowship.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 174.]

MESSAGE No. 134. Twelfth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1931.

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. 129, approving the National Council's policy of granting subsidies to pay the salaries of student pastors.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 135. Twelfth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1931.

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. 105, recommending that the Report of the Joint Committee on National and World Problems be printed and distributed to the Bishops and Clergy of this Church.

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. 131, recommending that the National Council be instructed to see that its Department of Religious Education begins a sustained campaign of education of our people so that proper support may be secured for the Church Boarding Preparatory Schools.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 137. Twelfth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1931.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received Message No. 135 of the House of Bishops and accedes to the request for a Committee of Conference.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: Mr. Bonsall of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Grant of Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Porkess of Pittsburgh.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
MESSAGE No. 138.

Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received the nomination in its Message No. 111, and has elected to be Recorder, during the next triennium, the Rev. William S. Slack of Louisiana.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 139.

Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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

WHEREAS, Within the past ten years repeated requests have been received from authorities of the Church in England and in India for the aid of the Church in the United States in making Our Lord known in India, and

WHEREAS, Since the establishment in 1930 of the Church of India, Burma and Ceylon, that request has been urgently renewed by the Indian Church, and

WHEREAS, The Archbishop of Calcutta heartily endorses the plea of the Bishop of Dornakal, the Rt. Rev. V. S. Azariah, that the Church in the United States begin work in a section of the Diocese of Dornakal;

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention believes that this call from the Church of India, Burma and Ceylon, should have an early and favorable response, and that consent of General Convention be and it is hereby given to the undertaking of the work outlined by the Archbishop of Calcutta and the Bishop of Dornakal, on condition that sufficient financial support outside the Budget adopted at this Convention can be secured to carry it on for a trial period of three years at an approximate cost, including capital expenditures, of $15,000.00 a year;

Further Resolved, That the National Council is authorized to take such steps as may be necessary to bring this call to service in India to the attention of the people of the Church and to secure the offers of service and the funds required for the support of the proposed work.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 169.]

MESSAGE No. 140.

Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Finance be discharged;

Further Resolved, That the duties hitherto laid upon the Board be hereafter fulfilled by the National Council.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 170.]
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, with reference to the Seamen's Church Institute of New York, with the following amendments:

First and second resolutions: That a referee be appointed by the Presiding Bishop to decide whether there is interference between the Church Institute of America and the Seamen's Church Institute of America and in what way that may be remedied.

Third resolution: By striking out all reference to membership from the House of Deputies.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House acceded to amendments in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 171.]

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. 113, with the following amendments:

WHEREAS, Under the present laws of the United States, an applicant for citizenship will be refused if he states that he would be unwilling to bear arms in a war to which he might conscientiously object, and

WHEREAS, The present laws of the United States relieve citizens who are conscientious objectors from the duty of bearing arms;

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention expresses its earnest hope that the naturalization laws and the oath of allegiance of the United States may be so modified that such conscientious objectors may be admitted to citizenship, provided they are willing to serve their country in the event of war by non-combatant service.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House acceded to amendments in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 172.]

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the financial needs of the Church weeklies be earnestly commended to the clergy and laity of the Church in the confident hope that additional subscriptions and emergency support may make the continuance of these weeklies possible; and further be it

Resolved, That the petition for appropriation for emergency help of these weeklies from National Council funds be not granted.

Attest: Carroll M. Davis, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 164.]
On motion of the Bishop of Georgia, the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, Official information has been received that the Conference of the Old Catholic Bishops held in Vienna, Sept. 7, 1931, accepted the terms of intercommunion agreed upon at a meeting of the Joint Commission authorized by the Lambeth Conference, therefore be it

Resolved, That this House hereby expresses its happiness and satisfaction at the successful conclusion of the negotiations between the Old Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion on the terms of intercommunion between the two communions.

Resolved, That this matter be referred to the next meeting of the House of Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop of Oregon, the following resolution was adopted:

Whereas, The work in South Dakota is of such a character, not only in extent of territory, but also because of its double administration of both white and Indian work and is now too heavy for one Bishop to perform; and

Whereas, The Bishop of South Dakota in accordance with Canon 15, § 1. has taken the initiative by asking for the assistance of a Suffragan, be it

Resolved, That the request be granted and that we proceed to the election of a suitable person for Suffragan Bishop of South Dakota at such time and place as may be determined by the Presiding Bishop.

On motion of the Bishop of Long Island, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters and ten Laymen be appointed to be known as the Joint Committee on Budget and Program to consider and report to the General Convention of 1934 upon the Report and Program of the National Council and all matters incident thereto, and that opportunity for public hearings be afforded by this Committee.

The Presiding Bishop appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, the Bishop of Erie, the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York, the Bishop of Washington.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:

Message No. 144. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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 Conference Committee on place of meeting of next Convention be dis-
agreed to and that Atlantic City be selected as the place of meeting for the next General Convention.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of New Jersey, the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 157.]

MESSAGE No. 145. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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

WHEREAS, Your Committee has considered the Resolution referred to them asking for the recommendation of an increase of $2,500 per annum for the work of the Commission on Faith and Order, and although heartily in sympathy with the work undertaken by this Commission and commending the cause generously to the support of parishes and individual Church workers, Therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we find ourselves unable, under the present emergency, to approve the recommendation.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 173.]

MESSAGE No. 146. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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. 60, recommending the appointment of a Joint Commission on apparent disparity between both quotas and appropriations to Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses, and the President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Rev. Dr. Johnston of Washington, the Rev. Mr. Foster of Colorado, the Rev. Mr. Trowbridge of New Mexico, the Rev. Mr. Wragg of Atlanta, the Rev. Mr. Bunting of Missouri, Mr. Lee of California, Mr. Sayre of New York, Mr. Mann of Southern Virginia, Mr. Kearney of Louisiana, Mr. Swan of South Dakota.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 147. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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, expressing appreciation of the work done by the Committee on Five Colleges affiliated with the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Attest: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 148. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 134, by adopt-
ing the first and third resolutions with reference to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce but it does not concur in the adoption of the second resolution.

MESSAGE No. 149. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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. 142, with reference to the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 150. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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. 149, recommending that the National Council include in its budget an appropriation subsidizing the four Church weeklies.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 151. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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 this Church express its thanks and appreciation to the members of the Board of Trustees of the Church Pension Fund.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 152. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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, recommending that the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce be requested to add to its number at least four women, with the following amendment:

That in their further study of the matter of Holy Matrimony, the Joint Commission on this subject consider the advisability of obtaining the aid of women communicants of this Church in a consultative capacity.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House accepted the amendment in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 175.]

MESSAGE No. 154. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Church Flag and Seal be continued with power to fill vacancies and to add to its number.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 176.]

MESSAGE No. 155. 
Thirteenth Day of Session, 
SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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 Canons be requested to put into shape the Canon on Marriage and Divorce as finally adopted as soon as possible, and that the Secretary of the House of Deputies be instructed to send a printed copy to every clergyman of this Church, together with the Pastoral Letter, and the Reports of the Committee on National and World Problems.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 177.]

The Bishop of Delaware presented by title the report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, which was unanimously accepted and approved.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention express to the Bishop of Colorado, the Coadjutor Bishop, the Dean of the Cathedral, the Clergy, the Convention Committee and the people of Denver its deep and hearty appreciation of the admirable arrangements made for the entertainment of the Convention. In every detail the utmost consideration has been given to the convenience and comfort of the delegates to the Convention. The Convention conveys to the Bishop of Colorado and his Associates its warm affection and lasting gratitude.

[ Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 159.]

At this time the Bishop of Colorado introduced the Governor of the State of Colorado.

The Governor was graciously received by the Presiding Bishop who presented to him the resolution of appreciation adopted by this House.

The Governor responded, expressing on his part the joy of the people of this State in having the privilege of entertaining this Convention.

On motion of the Bishop of New Jersey, the following resolution was adopted:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention express to the Bishop of Washington and his co-workers its hearty felicitations upon the splendid progress made in the building of the Cathedral in the Capitol of the Nation, as well as its deep interest in the unique work of the College of Preachers, an institution which widely ministers to the clergy of the Church, and assures the Bishop and Chapter of Washington Cathedral that it earnestly hopes the work now in process may go forward unlet and unhindered to the end that this witness to Christ in the Capitol of the Republic may be brought speedily to completion.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 158.]

The Bishop of Iowa extended an invitation for the House of Bishops to meet in Davenport, Iowa, when the Presiding Bishop next calls the House.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the House asked that this invitation may be given favorable consideration.

On motion of the Bishop of Arizona, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Presiding Bishop, beyond any other person in our Church, has more accurate information respecting the needs and work of the whole Church; and

WHEREAS, At present there is no proper opportunity afforded him to bring these matters before the Church during General Convention, (but only that he report his official acts); therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That, following the custom in Diocesan Conventions of providing opportunity to the bishop to deliver a charge to his co-workers, similar opportunity be provided to the Presiding Bishop in the place of the Convention Sermon at the Opening Service.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 163.]

The foregoing resolution was also referred to the Committee on Program of the next Convention.

The Bishop of Georgia offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the matters referred to the Joint Commission on Permanent Location of National Headquarters and Questions Bearing Upon the Subject be transferred to the new Commission on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop and that this Commission be discharged.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 162.]

On motion of the Bishop of California, the House nominated as Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer, the Rev. Lucien M. Robinson, D.D.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 161.]
On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested on behalf of the House of Bishops to express to the Bishop of St. Albans the appreciation of this House of his visit to the General Convention.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The gracious hospitality extended to the General Convention by the Diocese of Colorado and the City of Denver and the conspicuous service rendered by the women of the Motor Corps has been so freely and generously given, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we express to the Diocese of Colorado and the people of the City of Denver and particularly to the women of the Motor Corps our hearty appreciation of their courtesy and of their most efficient service to the members of this Convention.

On motion of the Bishop of Michigan, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be directed to call a meeting of the House of Bishops to be held the day before the opening of the next Triennial Convention, and that this special meeting be devoted to such matters as must be considered in Council.

On motion of the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops acknowledges with appreciation the invitation of the Congress of the United States extended to this Church through the U. S. Yorktown Sesquicentennial Commission to spiritually participate in the National Celebration to be held at Yorktown and throughout the Nation Oct. 16th to 19th inclusive, and especially to observe Sunday, October 18th, as a Day of Thanksgiving for the Blessings of Liberty. We commend to all Churches the observance of Sunday, October 18, 1931, as has been requested by the United States.

The Chair presented by title and in printed form the Report of the Meeting of the Commission of the Anglican Communion and the Old Catholic Churches held at Bonn in July, 1931.

The Bishop of Honolulu informed the House that the Court for the Trial of a Bishop had convened and had elected the Bishop of Pittsburg, President of the Court.

The Bishop of Colorado informed the House that the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop had convened and had elected the Bishop of Delaware, President of the Court.

On motion of the Bishop of Kansas, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses its gratitude and appreciation to the Mayor of Denver and the Common Council for their many courtesies to this Convention, more especially for the use of the
The Bishop Coadjutor of Montana presented a report of the Committee on Unfinished Business, together with the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, That the Committee on Unfinished Business be stricken from the Standing Committees of this House.

On motion of the Bishop of Alabama an expression of appreciation on the part of this House was extended to the Official Messengers, the Pages and to the Superintendent of the State Capitol, his assistants in the building; and especially to "Pat", the Janitor, who, by his constant and painstaking attention, has made the House so comfortable.

On motion of the Bishop of Honolulu, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this 50th Meeting of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church desires to express to our brethren of other Christian Communions in Denver who have courteously placed their Church buildings at the disposal of the Convention for devotional and other meetings, the gratitude we feel for this mark of fraternal kindness and help; and prays that the friendship and fellowship thus offered and accepted will be a means of setting forward good-will and mutual understanding among the members of our several communions.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 167.]

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen be appointed to study the legislation concerning eligibility of Bishops for election to other jurisdictions and to report to the next General Convention.

The Chairman appointed, as members on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of California, the Bishop of Alabama.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 160.]

The Chair presented to the House greetings from Archbishop Athenagoras; and the House, through the Presiding Bishop, sent Christian greetings in return.

The following Messages were received from the House of Deputies:
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 is ready to adjourn and requests to be informed whether the House of Bishops has any further communications or business to send to this House before adjournment.

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. 158, expressing to the Bishop of Washington and his co-workers the hearty felicitations of the Convention upon the progress made in the building of the Cathedral in Washington.

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. 160, recommending the appointment of a Joint Committee to study the legislation concerning eligibility of Bishops for election to other jurisdictions and to report to the next General Convention.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Rev. Dr. Maxon of Michigan, the Rev. Dr. Powell of California, the Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, Mr. Parker of Massachusetts, Mr. Mason of Chicago, Mr. Lightner of Minnesota.

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. 163, recommending that the Presiding Bishop be given an opportunity to bring certain matters before the Church at the Opening Service of the Convention.

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. 161, appointing the Reverend Lucien Moore Robinson, S.T.D., as Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer.

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. 159, with rising vote, extending the apprecia-
tion of this Convention to the Bishop of Colorado, the Coadjutor Bishop, the Dean of the Cathedral, the Clergy, the Convention Committee and the people of Denver, for their hospitality.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 162. Thirteenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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. 162, recommending that the matters referred to the Joint Commission on Permanent Location of National Headquarters, etc. be transferred to the new Commission on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop and that this Commission be discharged.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 163. Thirteenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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 to which is referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces be continued as an ad interim Joint Committee of the two Houses of the General Convention, to consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, to be appointed by the President of the House of Bishops and the President of the House of Deputies, and that the Committee shall be known as the Joint Committee on Provinces.

The President has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Rev. Dr. Aigner of Erie, the Rev. Dr. Blaisdell of Tennessee, the Rev. Dr. Washburn of Massachusetts, Mr. Dibble of Western Michigan, Mr. Monteagle of California, Mr. Katzenbach of New Jersey.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 178.]

MESSAGE No. 164. Thirteenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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, expressing gratitude to the brethren of other Christian Communions in Denver who so courteously placed their Church buildings at the disposal of the Convention.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 165. Thirteenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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. 150, recommending that that portion of the Standing Rock Indian Reservation which lies within the boundary of North Dakota, be attached to the Missionary District of South Dakota.

ATTEST: CARROLL M. DAVIS, Secretary.
The Chair expressed his appreciation of the work done by the Secretaries and their assistants and the House rose to express its appreciation of the gracious leadership through the Convention of the Presiding Bishop.

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 at St. John's Cathedral at 2:30 P.M.

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

The Minutes of the day were read and approved.

The Presiding Bishop pronounced the Benediction and the House stood adjourned sine die.

Attest: James DeWolf Perry, Presiding Bishop.

John H. Fitzgerald, Acting Secretary.
The Pastoral Letter

To Our Brethren of the Household of Faith:

We your bishops, in General Convention assembled, greet you in the name of the Lord. We give thanks to God our Father for all the evidences of faith and courage in the several parts of the Church, shown by simplicity and steadfastness of life and by devotion to Christian worship and work in the midst of wide-spread indifference and hostility. We are grateful for an increasing sensitiveness to human suffering, for the endeavor to understand better the complexities of human relationship and for the growing desire for such world adjustment as may promote universal good will and well-being. May the Holy Spirit inspire and encourage us to bear such faithful witness to God's salvation through Christ that this and every nation may seek to do His will and find their peace in Him.

We are living in a time of extraordinary strain. The one word which describes best the present condition of society is "confusion". Uncertainty pervades every field of human interest, economic, political, and religious.

Poverty and wealth are relative terms and inequality of possessions is to be expected, but the contrast between individual want and collective plenty cannot be accepted as in accordance with the will of God. The resources of the earth are unimpaired and the means of distribution were never so abundant, and the existence of world-wide involuntary unemployment and the fact that in every land multitudes lack not merely the comforts but the necessities of life and must depend upon doles and charities or starve is an arraignment of the present economic system under which the trade of the world is carried on. An acquisitive society, as the modern age has been aptly called, stands bewildered in the presence of a crisis precipitated, not by earthquake, droughts, floods or any physical catastrophes, but, apparently, by the competitive profit-seeking principles upon which, it has been hitherto assumed, general prosperity is based.

The obvious primary duty in the present crisis is the relief of the suffering which unemployment has created. We are confident that our people will give, to the point of sacrifice, for this purpose as long as the need exists.

But this is not enough. It is the duty of society to see that such a crisis does not occur again. The Church cannot advocate a particular method, but we call upon the employers in our communion to labor for the adoption of a plan, or plans, which shall co-ordinate production and consumption, ensure continuity of employment and provide security of income to the workers of the nation.

Unemployment, however, is but a symptom of underlying selfishness. The Church must insist that every financial question is essentially one of human relations. Until business is converted and is conducted as in the sight of God who is the Father of all men, no change in technique will be of permanent value. The profit-seeking motive must give way to that of service.

In the realm of morals there is similar confusion. The moral standards of any people are the fruit of group experience. Those acts are considered right which seem to agree with the common welfare and those acts are condemned as wrong which interfere with common
well-being. Whenever alien cultures are brought into intimate contact with each other, the clash of interests means also the conflict of moral standards. A period of confusion inevitably results and continues until the two groups coalesce and an adjustment has been reached. During the disturbance of social control, every man will do that which is right in his own eyes. In this modern age the interpenetration of peoples has progressed so rapidly that moral standards everywhere have been thrown into confusion and the sanctions which enforced them have been challenged and sometimes discredited. Nowhere is this more evident than in the United States where we have a cross section of the earth's population, and where there is as little homogeneity as in any part of the world. And the prevalence of crime, the loosening of family ties, the unbridled individualism and resentment of social control is a logical consequence.

Christianity provides moral principles drawn from the life and words of the Saviour, which are in brief the infinite value of human personality and the universal tie which unites all men in one family. Any code of conduct which is not in conflict with these principles may be called a Christian code, and any which denies them is thereby condemned. But Christianity leaves the application of these principles to the conscience of the individual, which becomes for him the supreme arbiter of conduct, superior to the interpretation of courts or the edicts of governments. These principles by their very nature and the loftiness of their demands are not easy of application, but he who tries to fashion his life upon them finds an inward peace which is indestructible and a strength which is unconquerable.

And Christianity possesses a sanction which is final in the faith in a Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, whose grace and truth are revealed to us in the face of Jesus Christ, upon whom all creatures depend and to whom all are responsible. This combined sense of dependence and responsibility keeps the conscience keen and bright. But just as at no time have the principles of Christ been completely accepted, so at no time has this faith in God been unchallenged, and in the present world confusion there should be no surprise that the validity of all religious sanctions, and particularly of the Christian faith, should be bitterly denied. Perhaps the sharpest test of Christian truth is about to confront us. If so, we await the trial with confidence. The Lord God reigneth, Jesus Christ is the same not only yesterday and today but forever.

Economic distress and political unrest are aggravated by the present state of international relations. Progress here in comparison with the amazingly rapid progress in other departments of life has been painfully slow. We, with the cave man, still depend upon force, the only difference being that his club has developed into vastly more efficient agents of destruction. The peoples of the world are hungry for peace and ready to trust one another while professional patriots in every land and all too many political leaders still adhere to prehistoric ways. The reliance upon force is based on fear and mistrust and it is for Christians to convince the leaders of the nations that the risk involved in trusting one another is far less grave than the consequences of mutual distrust.

The most hopeful step towards world peace ever taken is the agreement signed by fifty-eight nations to abandon war as an instrument of national policy. Yet the powers most active in promoting that agreement have shown a persistent disregard of its logical inferences and continue to put their trust in armed preparedness. We covet for our
country the courage to lead along the pathway of world peace, by doing its utmost even at the cost of risk and sacrifice to achieve immediate, substantial reduction of armaments and, above all, by co-operating whole-heartedly with the nations of the world, especially through official participation in such existing international agencies as tend towards world peace. We believe such a course would have far more weight with other nations and do more to restore confidence than any official utterance. It seems as if the point had now been reached when the nations must choose whether the pagan principles of force and deceit shall continue to determine their dealings with each other or whether the Christian principles of justice, mercy and good will shall prevail. The alternatives before us are Christ or chaos.

All of the foregoing surely deals with familiar facts and deductions. There are two conclusions we are constrained to draw. The first is that the ultimate responsibility for the conversion of the world to Christian faith and practice rests upon each individual in his loyalty to Christ. The Christian is Christ’s man. His faith, his eternal hope, the character of his dealings with his fellows are determined by his relationship to Christ. Christ’s man moves through the daily transactions of home and society, of neighborhood and State, as one whose life is hid with Christ in God. The fruit of such loyalty is honesty in business, faithfulness in marriage, devotion to public welfare, justice and good will to them that are near or far off.

The second observation is that in all our thinking upon the conditions in which we find ourselves, it is necessary to see the world as a unit. Geographically, it has become such. The mountains and seas which once separated nation from nation have lost their meaning and, in an area no longer divided into separate compartments, racial and economic barriers to intercommunication are doomed. The spiritual barriers of prejudice and suspicion, based as they are upon the age long habits of more or less self-sufficient groups can be dissolved only by the will to recognize the unity of mankind. No economic methods can meet the physical necessities of the people which are not conceived in terms of the whole. No international relations can be stable which are not universal in their scope; no moral standards permanent which are not valid for all men; no salvation possible unless it includes all mankind.

This world view has been the Christian attitude from the beginning. The ideal has never faded altogether though the divisive influence of group loyalties and animosities has obscured it and prevented its realization. But it must be evident now to every thoughtful Christian that we can no longer blind ourselves to the implications of our charter. Here lies the justification of the missionary program of the Church. There is no such thing as foreign missions. If we really believe that God has made of one blood all nations of men to dwell on the face of the whole earth, we must follow the implication of this truth in all areas of human interest wherever it may lead.

How simple yet how difficult! But nothing less is our Christian calling and only by being true to it will we do our part to bring near that great day when the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdom of our God and of His Christ.

Brethren, may the grace of God be with us all.
SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
HOUSE OF BISHOPS

ATLANTIC CITY, NEW JERSEY,
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 1929.

This being the time and place appointed, a regular meeting of the House of Bishops was held on the call of the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishops assembled for a Quiet Day at the Church of the Ascension at ten thirty A.M., October first, the Meditations being conducted by the Bishop of Mississippi.

The Opening Service of the House was held at St. James Church at ten o'clock, the Holy Communion being celebrated by the Bishop of Maryland, Presiding Bishop, assisted in the service by the Bishop of New Jersey who read the Epistle, the Bishop of Tennessee who read the Gospel and by the Bishop of South Dakota, Assessor to the Presiding Bishop.

The Presiding Bishop immediately before the prayer for the Church Militant announced the death, since the last meeting of the House of the Right Reverend Charles Henry Brent, D.D., LL.D., sometime Bishop of Western New York on March 27, 1929.

The Meditation called for under Rule XXVIII was omitted because of the Meditations of the Quiet Day preceding.

At the close of the service the House reassembled in the Viking Room at Haddon Hall.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair and called the House to order.

The Bishop of South Dakota, Assessor to the Presiding Bishop, occupied a seat beside the President.

The Call for the meeting as sent out by the Presiding Bishop was read by the Secretary as follows:

18 June, 1929.

In accordance with the requirement of Standing Order XII., of the General Rules of the House of Bishops, and in pursuance of the pro-
visions of Canon 14, § VII., and of Rules of Order XXVII. and XXIX.,
the House of Bishops is called to convene in Atlantic City, New Jersey,
on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 1, 2 and 3, 1929.

The Business Session on October 2nd and 3rd will be preceded
by a Quiet Day on Tuesday, October 1st, which will be conducted by the
Bishop of Mississippi at the Church of the Ascension, Pacific and
Kentucky Avenues, at 10:30 A.M.

The Opening Service of the Holy Communion will be held at St.
James Church, Pacific and North Carolina Avenues, at 10:00 A.M. The
Business Meeting of the House will follow immediately at the Chal­
fonte or Haddon Hall.

Among the matters to be considered and acted upon by the House
are the following:

I. The choice of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Wyoming;
II. The choice of a Bishop for the Missionary District of
Honolulu;
III. The receipt and consideration of matters of Reference;
IV. The transaction of any other business that may be lawfully
presented at such Session.

The Bishops are invited to send to the Secretary of the House any
names of persons suggested for the vacancies in the Episcopate of the
above specified Missionary Districts.

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 on Wednesday
morning.

Reservations for hotel accommodations may be secured by address­
ing the Rev. W. W. Blatchford, St. James Rectory, Atlantic City, N.J.

The Roll of the House, certified by the Secretary was pre­
sented.

The Roll was called, and it was found that 99 Members of
the House, being a quorum, were present, to-wit:

The Bishop of Southern Ohio. The Bishop of Harrisburg.
Bishop of Ohio. Bishop of Western Michigan.
Bishop of Tennessee. Bishop of Milwaukee.
Bishop of Vermont. Bishop of Southern Virginia.
Bishop of Alaska. Bishop of Georgia.
Bishop Burton. Bishop N. S. Thomas.
Bishop of Western Bishop of Maine.
Bishop L. L. Kinsolving. Bishop of Western Nebraska.
Bishop of Sacramento. Bishop of Rhode Island.
Bishop of Indianapolis. Bishop Atwood.
Bishop of Indiana. Bishop of San Joaquin.
Bishop of West Virginia. Bishop of Western
Bishop of Fond du Lac. Massachusetts.
Bishop of Mississippi. Bishop Rhinelander.
Bishop of Quincy. Bishop of New York
Bishop Coadjutor of New Bishop Lloyd).
Jersey.
The Bishop of Pennsylvania.
The Bishop of Virginia.
Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa.
Bishop of Minnesota.
Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts.
Bishop of Porto Rico.
Bishop of North Dakota.
Bishop of New Mexico.
Bishop of West Texas.
Bishop of Montana.
Bishop of Oregon.
Bishop of East Carolina.
Bishop of Cuba.
Bishop of New Jersey.
Bishop of Michigan.
Bishop of Central New York.
Bishop of Newark.
Bishop of Connecticut.
Bishop of Kansas.
Bishop of South Dakota.
Bishop of Colorado.
Bishop Touret.
Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia.
Bishop of Atlanta.
Bishop of Eastern Oregon.
Bishop of Texas.
Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi.
Bishop of California.
Bishop Overs.
Bishop of Southwestern Virginia.
Bishop of Utah.
Bishop of Easton.
Bishop of Los Angeles.
Bishop of Western New York.
Bishop of Delaware.
Bishop Coadjutor of Montana.
Bishop of Duluth.
Bishop of New York.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado.
The Bishop of Erie.
Bishop of Albany.
Bishop of Massachusetts.
Suffragan Bishop of South Dakota.
Bishop of Haiti.
Bishop of Pittsburgh.
Bishop of Washington.
Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia.
Bishop of Bethlehem.
Suffragan Bishop of Porto Rico.
Suffragan Bishop of North Tokyo.
Bishop of Springfield.
Suffragan Bishop of Central New York.
Bishop of Florida.
Bishop of North Texas.
Bishop Coadjutor of Vermont.
Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio.
Bishop of Northern Indiana.
Bishop Coadjutor of Milwaukee.
Bishop of Olympia.
Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida.
Bishop of Long Island.
Bishop of Liberia.
Bishop of Southern Brazil.
Bishop of Idaho.
Bishop of Arizona.
Bishop of New Hampshire.
Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland.
Bishop of Oklahoma.
Bishop of South Carolina.
Bishop of Nevada.
Suffragan Bishop of North Carolina, presented by the Bishop of West Texas.
The Right Reverend Thomas Jenkins, D.D., Bishop of the Missionary District of Nevada, presented by the Bishop of Oregon.

The Right Reverend John I. B. Larned, Suffragan Bishop of the Diocese of Long Island presented by the Bishop of Long Island.


The Chairman announced that the Standing Committees of the House at the last General Convention were the Standing Committees for this meeting.

The Chairman announced as the Committee on Resignation of Bishops the Committee appointed at the Special Meeting in June, 1927 and which served at the General Convention in 1928 in Washington with the addition of two other members;

The full Committee being as follows:

The Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop of Pittsburgh, and the Bishop of Georgia.

The Presiding Bishop presented various communications as follows:

A telegram from the Bishop of Mexico, asking whether it were permissible for him to advance to the Priesthood a Deacon of the Assyrian Church in Mexico City.

Which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A telegram announcing the death of the Patriarch Basilios III.

The House requested that an expression of sympathy be sent through the Presiding Bishop.

A communication from three Presbyters of the Church on the use of the words "race", "color", etc., in the Constitution.

Which was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

An appeal of the Oban Cathedral Fund in America for offerings from our Dioceses for the completion of Oban Cathedral.

Which was referred to the Committee on Memorials.

A Petition from a Layman in Englishtown, New Jersey, concerning alleged Simony in the Church.

Which was referred to the Committee on Memorials.

A request from a Communicant of the Church for the use of unfermented grape juice in the Sacrament of the Holy Communion.

Which was laid on the table.

A request from a Clergyman of this Church, that the House rule on questionable methods of money-raising in parishes.
Which was referred to the Committee on Memorials,
The following request for suitable recognition of the completion of the Revision of the Book of Common Prayer:

The publication of the new Prayer Book marks an epoch in the history of the Church. It is the result of many years' work of the highest legislative body of the Church and the patient, pious labours of learned men. It carries on the great tradition of the Book of Common Prayer as probably the noblest expression of Christian worship in all the centuries.

It is fitting that such an achievement should be emphasized in some special manner.

As Chief Pastors of the Church, we therefore have fixed Sunday, the first day of December, the opening day of the coming Christian Year, as the date on which we suggest that all our congregations begin the use of this Revised Book of Common Prayer.

We earnestly request all communicants of the Episcopal Church, and all those who habitually attend its services, laying aside other things, to attend the forenoon service on this Advent Sunday of the first of December, in order that this whole Church may offer to Almighty God, through our Lord Jesus Christ, praise and thanksgiving for the completion of this new Book, together with prayer for His blessing upon us in its future use.

We suggest the following Prayer for use upon the occasion:

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, we praise thy Name for the direction of thy Holy Spirit, as thy servants, through the years, have endeavoured to perfect the worship of thy Church. We yield unto thee unfeigned thanks for the loyalty, devotion, and unity of spirit which, by thy mercy, have attended them in their task. Grant we beseech thee, that, through the Book now enriched under thy guidance, multitudes of thy children may enter into the fellowship of thy Son Jesus Christ and worship thee in spirit and in truth.

And, finally, we pray that all thy people may so faithfully employ the words of this Book that our lives may show forth thy praise, and that, day by day, lifting up our hearts, we may continually dwell with thee in heavenly places, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

This was adopted as the expression of the sentiment of the House.

The resignations of the Bishop of Southern Ohio and the Bishop of Marquette.

Which were referred to the Committee on Resignations.

The Bishop of Georgia for the Committee on Despatch of Business made the following report:

1. That on the adoption of this report five minutes be granted a representative of the Junior Brotherhood of St. Andrew to address the House.
2. Recess from one to two-thirty.
3. That immediately upon reassembly for the afternoon session the House proceed to nominations for vacant Missionary Districts.
4. That a Session of the House be held tonight at 8:15 P.M. to hear the Treasurer of the National Council present the tentative program for advance work and to hear from Missionary Bishops and Bishops of aided Dioceses on the missionary work of the Church.

5. That the House assemble tomorrow morning at 10 A.M. in St. James Church for the election of Missionary Bishops.

The above resolution was amended on motion of the Bishop of Colorado so as to read in item five at 9 A.M.

The resolution as amended was adopted.

The Chairman presented Mr. Douglas Turnbull, President of the Junior Brotherhood of Saint Andrew who addressed the House on the subject of the work of this body.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa moved that the Message be referred to a Committee of five Bishops to act with the Junior Brotherhood, which was adopted.

The Chairman appointed as such Committee the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York, the Bishop of Northern Indiana, the Bishop of Lexington, the Bishop of Delaware and the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia.

The House took a recess at 1 P.M.

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

The Bishop of South Dakota for the Committee on Domestic Missions presented the following report, which was adopted:

**REPORT No. 1.** The Committee on Domestic Missions to which was referred the question of filling vacancies in the Missionary Districts of Honolulu and Wyoming, recommend that the House proceed immediately to elect Bishops for these vacancies.

The Bishop of New York presented the following resolution, for reference to the Committee on the Conduct of Religious Services: which was so referred:

*Resolved,* That at meetings of the House of Bishops the opening service shall be an early Celebration of the Holy Communion, the session for business to open at ten o'clock.

The Committee on Memorials and Petitions returned to the House with recommendation of reference to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, the Memorial on the subject of "Race" and "Color", which was so referred.

Bishop Atwood for the Committee on Nominations presented the following resolution, which was adopted:
Resolved, That all information concerning nominees shall be presented in writing to the Secretary of the Committee before the meeting of the Committee which will be held at the close of the afternoon session.

The Bishop of San Joaquin presented a resolution which after amendment was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That the National Council be requested to consider the advisability of transferring the administration of the Missionary District of Honolulu from the foreign to the domestic section of the Department of Missions, and that the salary of the Bishop of Honolulu be the same as that of the continental Missionary Bishops.

The Bishop of Western Michigan for the Committee on Resignation of Bishops made the following report:

The Special Committee to which was referred the resignations of the Bishop of Southern Ohio and the Bishop of Marquette reports as follows:

1. The Committee has had before it the resignation of the Right Reverend Dr. Vincent, Bishop of Southern Ohio.
   It is accompanied with a letter from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Southern Ohio.
   In view of these communications and after consideration of the entire situation the Committee recommends the passage of the following resolution:
   Resolved, That the resignation of the Bishop of Southern Ohio be accepted.

2. The Committee has had before it the resignation of the Right Reverend Dr. Harris, Bishop of Marquette.
   The resignation is accompanied with a letter from the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Marquette.
   In view of these communications the Committee recommends the passage of the following resolution:
   Resolved, That the resignation of the Bishop of Marquette be accepted.

The Bishop of Alaska and the Bishop of Easton appeared and took their seats.

The Bishop of Long Island moved that the House go into Executive Session, which was adopted.

The Bishop of Colorado moved that the matter of the resignation of the Bishop of Southern Ohio be referred back to the Committee on Resignations, which was adopted.

The House, on motion, approved the recommendation of the Committee on Resignations, to accept the resignation of the Bishop of Marquette.

The Presiding Bishop declared the resignation complete and directed the Secretary to make the necessary changes on the Roll of the House.
The Secretary at the request of the House read the list of those nominated first for the Missionary District of Wyoming, and then for Honolulu.

The Roll of the House was called in the reverse order and nominations were made for the Missionary District of Wyoming.

The Roll of the House was called in reverse order and nominations were made for the Missionary District of Honolulu.

The Secretary read the special telegrams of sympathy which had been sent at the request of the House, the House rising on the reading of the telegram on the death of the Patriarch Basilios III.

The Bishop of Eastern Oregon presented the following report, and the resolutions relative to the work of the Church Army therein contained were adopted:

Four years ago, upon the invitation of the Bishops of New York and Rhode Island representatives of the Church Army in England came to this country and conducted parochial missions, and street preaching, doing the work of lay evangelists in several dioceses. Since then this work has grown rapidly and has commended itself to Bishops, Clergy and Laity wherever it has been undertaken. The Church Army has now definitely established a branch in America with headquarters in New York and a Training Center for recruits in Providence, Rhode Island. In this Center nine American recruits have been trained. Captain B. F. Mountford is the official head of the organization and has an Advisory Committee of Bishops, Clergymen and Laymen to assist in directing its plans and policies and in raising funds.

The great need now is for the recruiting of young men in this country willing to volunteer for training and work.

Therefore be it Resolved, That this House of Bishops commends most heartily the work of the Church Army as a means of lay evangelism;

Further be it Resolved, That this House urge the Bishops and Clergy of the Church to help Church Army Officials in their efforts to recruit volunteers for this service, and

Further be it Resolved, That a Committee of three Bishops from this House be appointed by the Chair to co-operate with the Church Army in this country and advise them in their plans and policies.

The Bishops for this Committee are requested to take into special consideration the matter of licensing or authorizing the members of the Church Army in the several Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church.

The President appointed as members of this Committee the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, the Bishop of Rhode Island and the Bishop of Vermont.

On motion the House rose from Executive Session.
The Bishop of Delaware presented the following preambles and resolutions on the subject of the observance of Armistice Day, which were on motion adopted:

WHEREAS, The present outlook for permanent peace between nations gives greater hope than ever before in history; and
WHEREAS, This situation calls for the united support of all people of good will, and places a responsibility especially on the followers of Him, Who is called the Prince of Peace;

Resolved, That we the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in session at Atlantic City express to the President of the United States, our commendation of his great efforts to gain world peace and assure him of our devoted support in the measures he is taking for reduction of armaments and in his effort to carry into practice in the reduction of army and navy forces, the practical implications of the Paris Peace Pact;

Resolved, That we present our Greetings to the Prime Minister of Great Britain and assure him and our President of our continued intercession that under God’s guidance they may bring the English speaking peoples they represent into complete accord and understanding on this issue, and unite upon a method of procedure in which all nations may hopefully join to secure an enduring peace among the peoples of the world;

Resolved, That we commend to the attention of our people the observance of Armistice Day and suggest that on Sunday, the day preceding Armistice Day, the subject of world peace be remembered in our Churches, and that where possible our people co-operate with the citizens of their community in a community observance, considering on that day, the program of peace;

Resolved, That we suggest to the Bishops of this Church that each authorize an appropriate Collect or form of service of intercession for use at this time, and that the Presiding Bishop be requested to prepare and send out to all our Bishops together with a copy of these resolutions a Collect or form of Intercession which may with his authorization be used for this purpose.

The Bishop of Arizona presented a matter of policy for counsel and advice, which after full discussion was referred to the Presiding Bishop and the Bishop of Arizona.

The Bishop of Idaho presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the meetings of the House of Bishops in the years intervening between the meetings of the General Convention be held at some point central to the United States.

The Bishop of California presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair to consider the whole question of the translation of Diocesan Bishops from one Diocese to another or from a Diocese to a Missionary District and report to this House at its next meeting.

The Chairman announced as a Committee to consider the whole question of the translation of Bishops as follows:
The Bishop of California, the Bishop of Vermont, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of South Dakota and the Bishop of Alabama.

The Bishop of Cuba at this point made a brief report as a matter of information about the Prayer Book to be printed in Spanish.

The Bishop of Western Michigan for the Committee on Resignation of Bishops made the following report:

REPORT No. 2. The Committee report that having reconsidered the resignation of the Bishop of Southern Ohio, recommitted to it by the vote of the House, and having had a long and full conference with the Bishop of Southern Ohio, unanimously adhere to its previous recommendation, and, again presents this resolution:

Resolved, That the resignation of the Bishop of Southern Ohio be accepted.

On motion the recommendation of the Committee was adopted, and the resignation of the Bishop of Southern Ohio was accepted.

The Presiding Bishop announced the completion of the resignation and directed the Secretary to make the necessary changes on the Roll of the House.

The Bishop of Colorado offered the following resolution, which was lost:

Resolved, That the Right Reverend William P. Remington, Bishop of Eastern Oregon, be transferred from that District and be assigned to the District of Wyoming.

On motion of § III. of Canon 14 was referred to the Committee on Canons for the consideration of the apparent irrelevancy of its two parts.

The Bishop of Vermont for the Committee on Canons made the following report, which was adopted by the House and answer sent to the Bishop of Mexico:

The Committee on Canons to which was referred the telegram from the Bishop of Mexico asking for permission to advance to the Priesthood a Deacon of the Assyrian Nestorian Church finds that no indication is given of a request for such ordination from the Patriarch of the Assyrian Church.

That no canonical provision exists for the ordination by a Bishop of this Church of a candidate for the Priesthood in another Communion.

The Committee therefore recommends that the Bishop of Mexico be advised that ordination by a Bishop of this Church of a Deacon of the Assyrian Church on the request by telegram of a congregation of the Assyrian Church, is not permissible.

The question put to us by the Bishop of Mexico is, as we understand it, whether a Bishop of this Church may ordain for another Church in some measure of communion with this Church.
This, so far as our recollection serves, has never been done, unless it were in the early days of Bishop Riley in Mexico.

The Bishop of Alabama for the Committee on Memorials and Petitions made the following reports, all of which were adopted:

No. 1. Alleged Simony.
Committee recommends the petition be returned to the petitioner, as the House of Bishops has not jurisdiction over the discipline of individual ministers, this belonging to the Bishop in whose jurisdiction the alleged offense was committed.

No. 2. Improper Methods of Raising Money.
Committee recommends that the House of Bishops reaffirm its opposition to games of chance as means of raising money for Church purposes.

No. 3. Aid for Oban Cathedral.
Committee feels it unwise to take official cognizance of requests for aid that do not come from official sources.

No. 4. Constitutional Amendment asked by certain Negro Clergy.
Committee asks its reference to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

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

The twentieth day of October will mark the twentieth anniversary of the consecration of the Right Reverend Arthur Selden Lloyd, D.D., to the office of a Bishop in the Church of God. It is not our custom, save under exceptional circumstances, to note the anniversaries of the members of this House. This, in my judgment, is an exceptional circumstance. Throughout his ministry, Bishop Lloyd has exhibited in rare degree his devotion to the cause of missions. As General Secretary of the Board of Missions and as the President of the reorganized Board, he brought to the office a high conception of the Church's mission and a deep spirituality which have left their impress on the Church throughout all the succeeding years. The greatest evidence of his devotion to the Cause and of his readiness to obey the Church's call at whatever personal sacrifice might be necessary was given when, having been elected and consecrated to the Coadjutor-Bishopric of the Diocese of Virginia, in his beloved native State, he accepted the summons of the Church to become the first President of the Board of Missions as expressing the will of God. And since the organization of the Bishop and Council, there has not been a stronger supporter and more enthusiastic helper of the missionary programme than Bishop Lloyd. In humbleness and confidence he has fulfilled the tasks laid upon him and in the doing of them has been a source of help and encouragement to his brethren and to all whom he has served.

Therefore, I move the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops assembled in special meeting in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on this second day of October, A.D. 1929, extends to the Right Reverend Arthur Selden Lloyd, D.D., its hearty congratulations on the approaching twentieth anniversary of his consecration as a Bishop in the Church of God, assuring him of the affection
in which he is held by his brethren and of their deep sense of the large contribution he has made to the missionary progress of the Church.

The Bishop of Georgia presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS: Information has come to this House that Metropolitan Platon of the Orthodox Russian Church is critically ill, therefore,

Be it Resolved, That the Secretary be instructed to send in the name of this House, a message of sympathy for the Metropolitan in his illness and the assurance of our prayers for God's blessing upon him and for his early and complete recovery.

The Bishop of Delaware asked that a place be found tomorrow to present a report on the Placement of the Clergy.

The Bishop of Western New York presented a report on the Churchman's Calendar of Daily Bible Readings.

The Bishop of Washington moved that a Committee of three Bishops be appointed to prepare a proper Memorial for the late Bishop Brent, which was adopted.

The President appointed as Members of this Committee the Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Vermont and the Bishop of Mississippi.

The meeting adjourned to reconvene at 8:15 P.M.

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Evening Session

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 2ND, 1929.

The House reconvened at 8:15 P.M.

The Bishop of North Dakota appeared and took his seat.

The House proceeded to the special order of the Committee on Despatch of Business relative to the tentative program for advance work and to hear from the Missionary Bishops and Bishops of Aided Dioceses.

Dr. Lewis B. Franklin, Treasurer of the National Council presented the report which was followed by questions from members of the House.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi presented an outline of the address and appeal of the Bishops of Aided Dioceses and Missionary Districts together with the following resolution:
Resolved, That the House of Bishops approve the address and appeal of the Bishops of Aided Dioceses and Missionary Districts and requests that it be issued with such comment by the Presiding Bishop as he thinks best to make.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa presented the appeal from the standpoint of Aided Dioceses.

The Bishop of East Carolina followed making a presentation from the standpoint of the Committee on Evangelism.

The Bishop of Harrisburg and the Bishop of Rhode Island and Dr. Franklin concluded speaking further on the subject with the understanding that the reading of the appeal and vote on the same would follow at the meeting in the morning.

On motion the House adjourned at 10:15 P.M. until 9 A.M. tomorrow morning at St. James Church.

SECOND DAY

ST. JAMES CHURCH, ATLANTIC CITY, N.J.,
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3RD, 1929.

The House assembled in St. James Church at 9 o'clock in the morning of this day. The Right Reverend, the Bishop of Maryland, Presiding Bishop, celebrated the Holy Communion, the Bishop of South Dakota reading the Epistle and the Presiding Bishop the Gospel.

At the close of the service the House resumed its session and was called to order by the Presiding Bishop. The Assessor occupied a seat at his side.

On motion the reading of the Minutes of yesterday's session was dispensed with and the Secretary was instructed to collaborate with the Presiding Bishop before publication.

Bishop Atwood for the Committee on Nominations reported on the names of those nominated for the vacancy in the Bishopric of the Missionary District of Wyoming.

The Bishop of Lexington read a Lesson of Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop read the service to be used before the casting of the ballots.
The Presiding Bishop appointed as Tellers the Bishop of Lexington and the Suffragan Bishop of Long Island.

The Roll was called, the Bishops deposited their ballots and the Reverend Elmer Nicholas Schmuck, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Colorado was found on the third 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 confirmation by the Standing Committees.

The Presiding Bishop appointed Bishop Overs and the Bishop of Georgia as a Committee to notify the Bishop chosen.

The House then proceeded to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Honolulu.

Bishop Atwood for the Committee on Nominations reported on the names of those nominated for the vacancy in the Bishopric of the Missionary District of Honolulu.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as Tellers the Bishop of Lexington and the Suffragan Bishop of Long Island.

The Roll was called, the Bishops deposited their ballots and the Reverend Harry Beal, a Presbyter of the Diocese of Los Angeles, was found on the sixth 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 Honolulu, subject to confirmation by the Standing Committees.

The Presiding Bishop appointed the Bishop of San Joaquin and the Bishop of South Dakota as a Committee to notify the Bishop chosen.

The Bishop of New York presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the action of the House yesterday in accepting the resignation of the Bishop of Southern Ohio, be reconsidered.

The resolution was carried by a two-thirds majority, (Aye 71, No 18).

The Bishop of Pennsylvania questioned the right of the House to rescind its action in accepting the resignation of the Bishop of Southern Ohio.

The Bishop of Long Island offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops has before it no convincing evidence that the Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio will be able to re-
sume his duties in the near future, and therefore feels that it is not advisable to accept the resignation of Bishop Vincent.

The Bishop of South Dakota presented the following resolution as a substitute:

Resolved, That it is the judgment of this House that in view of the statement of Bishop Vincent, it is inexpedient to reverse the action taken yesterday.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa both the resolution and the substitute were laid on the table.

After long discussion the Presiding Bishop announced a decision from the Chair that the action of the House yesterday in acceptance of the resignation of Bishop Vincent as Bishop of Southern Ohio, which resignation had been declared complete, could not be rescinded, and that he based his decision on Canon 18, § VII. [iv.].

At this point the Presiding Bishop was suddenly taken ill.

On request of the House, Prayers for the Sick were offered by the Bishop of Vermont. Before the conclusion of the Prayers a physician who had been immediately summoned pronounced the death of the Presiding Bishop.

At the request of the House, Prayers for the Dead were offered by the Assessor.

The Assessor took the Chair and the House adjourned till 2:30 P.M.

The House reconvened at 2:30 P.M.

The Bishop of South Dakota as Assessor called the House to order and opened the Session with Prayer.

The Bishop of Vermont presented the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, That in view of possible emergencies, the House of Bishops assembled in Atlantic City, October 3, 1929, immediately after the death of Bishop Murray, declares that it is the sense of the House that the Senior Bishop by Consecration, having jurisdiction in the United States, who by provision of the Constitution is to convene a special meeting of the House to elect a successor to the late Presiding Bishop, shall act as the Presiding Bishop in all matters that may be necessary during the interval before a Presiding Bishop can be elected.

On motion of the same Bishop the House requested the Bishop of Ohio to take the Chair.

The Bishop of Ohio took the Chair, and appointed the Bishop of South Dakota as his Assessor.
The appointment was, on motion, confirmed by the House.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution:
Resolved, That the House decide the date and the Senior Bishop the place for the special meeting of the House to elect a Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Colorado offered as a substitute the following resolution, which was adopted:
Resolved, That the Rules of Order be suspended and that the Senior Bishop be requested to call the special meeting on November 13th, 1929.

The Bishop of Georgia offered the following resolution, which was adopted:
Resolved, That the invitation extended by the Bishop of Washington to meet in the City of Washington be accepted and that the meeting shall follow a celebration of the Holy Communion.

The Bishop of Washington offered the following resolution, which was adopted:
Resolved, That the Senior Bishop be requested to appoint a committee of three to formulate and publish a memorial from the House on the death of the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Mississippi, the Bishop of Delaware, and the Bishop of California were appointed as such committee.

The Bishop of Georgia offered the following resolution, which was adopted:
Resolved, That the Senior Bishop be requested to appoint a Committee of six Bishops to represent the House at the funeral of the late Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of Tennessee, the Bishop of Vermont, the Bishop of South Dakota and the Bishop of Georgia were appointed as such committee.

On motion of the Bishop of Long Island, the Senior Bishop was requested to personally convey to Mrs. Murray the sympathy of the House.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa the consideration of the appeal of aided Dioceses and Missionary Districts and all other business which was to be presented at this time was postponed to the next regular meeting of the House.

The Bishop of Vermont presented the following Memorial of the late Bishop of Western New York, which was adopted by a rising vote:
At its first meeting after his passing from us, during Holy Week, the House of Bishops feels that it cannot allow its Minutes to be without a record of the great loss it has sustained in the death of the Right Reverend Dr. Charles Henry Brent, late Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York, and its very high appreciation of the services he rendered to the Church in this his adopted country.

His Consecration as the first Bishop of the Church in the Philippine Islands with the special emphasis on the directly missionary work among the unchristian natives and inhabitants, his service on the Opium Commission, with his outspoken denunciation of the selfish defense of the trade by some interested governments; his service as Senior Chaplain of the American Expeditionary Force; his consistent and bold championship of unpopular causes at Washington and elsewhere; his leadership in the great venture of the Faith and Order Commission and his wise and sympathetic guidance of the movement up to the great conference at Lausanne; all these experiences of varied service made Bishop Brent an outstanding world figure, to whom statesmen in Europe as well as America looked up with admiration and trust, like as we did even when we could not wholly follow his bold and audacious plans.

His rule in the great Diocese of Western New York showed a splendid example of the combination of pastoral care and bold leadership.

We render humble thanks to Almighty God for the great gift bestowed upon our brother and for the entire consecration of all he had and was to the service of our Lord, and obedient following at any cost of each call as it came to him.

We pray that he may be speedily prepared for perfect service in perfected life; and that we may share his wide vision and may imitate his unstinted devotion.

The Bishop of Northern Indiana offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That we express our appreciation and thanks to the Bishop, the Bishop Coadjutor and the Diocese of New Jersey, and also to the Rector and congregation of St. James Church and the Rector and congregation of the Church of the Ascension for their kindness and hospitality.

The Bishop of Long Island offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops express to the Bishop and Diocese of Maryland, their deep sympathy in the loss they have sustained, and their gratitude for the distinguished service rendered to the whole Church by the late Bishop of Maryland.

The minutes of yesterday and today were read and approved.

The House on motion adjourned sine die.

William A. Leonard, Bishop Presiding.

October 3, 1929.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.
This being the time and place appointed, a Special Meeting of the House of Bishops was held on the call of the Senior Bishop, the Bishop of Ohio, in accordance with the resolution adopted by the House at its regular meeting in Atlantic City, New Jersey, on October 3, 1929.

The Opening Service of the House was held in the Bethlehem Chapel at 9:30 A.M., the Holy Communion being celebrated by the Bishop of Ohio, assisted by the Bishop of South Dakota, who read the Epistle, the Bishop of Chicago, who read the Gospel, the Bishop of Washington, and Canon DeVries of the Washington Cathedral.

At the close of the service the Vice-Chairman called the House to order.

The call for the meeting was read by the Secretary, as follows:

October 3rd, 1929.

According to the provision of the Constitution, in Article I., Sec. 3, in view of the death of the Right Reverend John Gardner Murray, D.D., Presiding Bishop of the Church, the duty devolves upon me, as the Senior Bishop of the Church by Consecration, having jurisdiction in the United States, to call a Special Meeting of the House of Bishops to elect a Bishop having jurisdiction in the United States to be the Presiding Bishop.

I, therefore, call a meeting of the House of Bishops to assemble in the City of Washington on the morning of November 13th, 1929 to elect a Presiding Bishop, and to transact any other business that may be lawfully presented at such meeting.

William A. Leonard, Bishop of Ohio, Senior Bishop.
Hugh L. Burleson, Bishop of South Dakota, Assessor.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary of the House of Bishops.
The following supplemental notice was also read:

October 17th, 1929.

Word having just been received by the Assessor of the declination by the Reverend Harry Beal, D.D., of his choice by the House of Bishops for the vacancy in the Bishopric of the Missionary District of Honolulu, it becomes my duty to advise you, acting under the direction of the Assessor, that another election for Honolulu will become necessary at the meeting of the House of Bishops in Washington on November 13th, such action to be had under the clause of the original call which specifies the transaction of any other business that may be lawfully presented at such meeting.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

The Vice-Chairman bade the House to prayer.

The Roll of the House, certified by the Secretary, was presented.

The Roll was called, and it was found that 94 Members of the House, being a quorum, were present, to-wit:

- Bishop Vincent.
- The Bishop of Ohio.
- Bishop of Louisiana.
- Bishop of Tennessee.
- Bishop Lawrence.
- The Bishop of North Carolina.
- Bishop of Vermont.
- Bishop of Alaska.
- Bishop Burton.
- Bishop C. B. Brewster.
- The Bishop of Western North Carolina.
- Bishop of Sacramento.
- Bishop of Indianapolis.
- Bishop of West Virginia.
- Bishop of Chicago.
- Bishop of Fond du Lac.
- Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey.
- Bishop of Kentucky.
- Bishop of Harrisburg.
- Bishop of Western Michigan.
- Bishop of Milwaukee.
- Bishop of Georgia.
- Bishop of Maine.
- Suffragan Bishop of New York (Bishop Lloyd).
- Bishop of Western Nebraska.
- Bishop of Rhode Island.
- Bishop Atwood.
- The Bishop of San Joaquin.
- Bishop of Western Massachusetts.
- Bishop Rhinelander.
- The Bishop of Pennsylvania.
- Bishop of Virginia.
- Bishop Coadjutor of Iowa.
- Bishop of Minnesota.
- Bishop of Porto Rico.
- Bishop of North Dakota.
- Bishop DuMoulin.
- The Bishop of New Mexico.
- Bishop of West Texas.
- Bishop of Montana.
- Bishop of Oregon.
- Bishop of East Carolina.
- Bishop of Cuba.
- Bishop of New Jersey.
- Bishop of Michigan.
- Bishop of Central New York.
- Bishop of Connecticut.
- Bishop of Kansas.
- Bishop of South Dakota.
- Bishop of Colorado.
- Bishop Touret.
- The Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia.
- Bishop of Atlanta.
- Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi.
- Bishop of Nebraska.
- Bishop of California.
- Bishop Overs.
- The Bishop of Southwestern Virginia.
- Bishop of Utah.
- Bishop of Easton.
- Bishop of Los Angeles.
- Bishop of Western New York.
The Bishop of Delaware.
The Bishop of Spokane.
Bishop Coadjutor of Montana.
Bishop of Springfield.
Bishop of Salina.
Bishop of North Texas.
Bishop of Upper South Carolina.
Bishop Coadjutor of Vermont.
Bishop of Colorado.
Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio.
Bishop of Erie.
Bishop Coadjutor of Northern Indiana.
Bishop of Salina.
Bishop Coadjutor of Maryland.
Bishop of Upper South Carolina.
Bishop Coadjutor of Milwaukee.
Bishop of Montana.
Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida.
Bishop of Erie.
Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee.
Bishop of Albany.
Bishop of Long Island.
Bishop of Massachusetts.
Bishop of Liberty.
Bishop of North Texas.
Bishop Coadjutor of Vermont.
Bishop of Erie.
Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee.
Bishop of North Carolina.
Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia.
Bishop of Suffragan Bishop of Porto Rico.
Bishop Coadjutor of Pennsylvania.

The Vice-Chairman noted the receipt of regrets at inability to attend this meeting from the Bishop of Alabama, the Suffragan Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of West Missouri, the Bishop of Dallas, the Bishop of New York, Bishop Paddock and the Bishop of Southern Virginia.

The following lately elected Bishops were presented to the House, to-wit:

The Right Reverend Frank E. Wilson, D.D., Bishop of Eau Claire, presented by the Bishop of Fond du Lac and the Bishop of Milwaukee.


The Bishop of Ohio, as Senior Bishop, made report of the Official Acts performed by him since the death of the Presiding Bishop, as follows:

On Thursday, October 3, 1929, in St. James Church, Atlantic City, I undertook to direct the affairs of the General Church, because of the sudden death of Dr. John Gardner Murray, Presiding Bishop, and as Article 1, paragraph 3, of the Constitution commands.

The first Act was to appoint the Right Reverend Hugh L. Burleson, Bishop of South Dakota, my Assessor, as he had been Assessor for Bishop Murray. Thereafter I appointed the Right Reverend Thomas J. Garland, Bishop of Pennsylvania, as Consecrator of his Coadjutor in place of Bishop Murray.

October 8, received, through the office in New York, cablegrams from the Archbishop of Canterbury, from Armaugh, Dublin, from Sidney and from Nova Scotia and Calcutta. These were in response to cablegrams sent out by the Assessor and Secretary from the office in New York, and are doubtless on file in the archives. I immediately wrote letters of acknowledgment to these Prelates.
October 22, signed and sent forth letters to the Bishops begging their attendance at the special meeting in Washington in November. This letter was prepared by Bishop Burleson and Dr. Pardee.

October 9, Notification from Dr. Schmuck of his acceptance of election to the District of Wyoming. Sent certification of the election of Dr. Schmuck to the Standing Committees.

November 1, signed and sent forth letters asking the consents of the Bishops to the Consecration of Dr. Sturtevant, Coadjutor-elect of Fond du Lac. A large correspondence was involved.

November 8, received notification from Headquarters that Dr. Sturtevant had received a majority of the votes of the Bishops, consenting to his Consecration and therefore wired him that his requests for appointments of his Episcopal friends to serve would be respected.

Notification that the Very Rev. Harry Beal declines his election to Honolulu.

I simply wish to state that all the real work has been done by the generosity of the Bishop of South Dakota, the Assessor, and Dr. Pardee, the Secretary of this House.

William A. Leonard, Bishop of Ohio.

On motion of the Bishop of Milwaukee the Report was accepted with the thanks of the House.

The Bishop of South Dakota, as Assessor, presented for the like period his Report of Official Acts as follows:

Cables sent to the Archbishop of Canterbury and other Heads of Churches concerning the death of the Presiding Bishop, and to our Missionary Bishops in the foreign field.

Notices sent to Standing Committees concerning the election of Bishops for Honolulu and Wyoming, requesting early action.

Official Call for a Special Meeting of the House of Bishops on November 13th.

Issued letter prepared by Bishop Murray, appointing Advent Sunday as the day for commencing official use of the new Prayer Book, and thanksgiving for the same.

Notices sent to the Church Press that November 3rd would be observed as a Day of Commemoration for Bishop Murray.

Letter on this subject sent to the Bishops.

Letter and leaflet issued to all the Clergy of the Church.

Letter prepared at the request of the Senior Bishop stressing the importance of the meeting of the House and full attendance thereon.

Information sent to the Bishops that Dean Beal had declined election to Honolulu, and that another election would be necessary at the coming meeting.

Notice sent to the Bishops that the Standing Committees had confirmed the election of Bishop Coadjutor-elect Sturtevant, asking consent to his Consecration.

Notice sent to Bishops concerning Armistice Day Resolutions and Prayers.

Letter enclosing Lambeth Conference invitation sent to Bishops.
Notice sent to Standing Committee of Diocese of Fond du Lac that a majority of the Bishops had consented to the Consecration of Bishop Coadjutor-elect Sturtevant.

Arrangements undertaken to prepare Order for Consecrations for Fond du Lac and Wyoming.

In addition to above, considerable correspondence in arranging details for meeting on November 13th, and in administering the Fund generously given to defray travel expenses of Bishops unable to attend without financial assistance.

The Assessor also requested the Reverend Dr. Burgess to act as the Church's representative at the Mass Meeting to Celebrate the Golden Jubilee of the Armenian Patriarch of Jerusalem, and sent a fraternal message.

HUGH L. BURLESON, Assessor.

The Report was accepted and ordered to be spread on the Minutes.

The Secretary made the following announcement:

"A fund contributed by various men and women of the Church who desire to be anonymous, in the amount at present of $5,875.00, has been sent to the Secretary of the House of Bishops to be used in defraying the expenses of Bishops needing financial assistance in attending the Special Meeting of the House in Washington on November 13, 1929, any balance or further contributions to be used for similar purposes in the future.

"The fund is to be carried on the Special Ledger Account of the National Council in New York, and its disbursement is to be at the discretion of the Secretary of the House of Bishops with the approval of the Presiding Bishop."

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware a resolution expressing appreciation by the House of these gifts and also its thanks was unanimously adopted.

The Bishop of New Jersey for the Special Committee appointed to consider the votes of two Suffragan Bishops presented a Report.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That action on this subject be deferred to the next meeting of General Convention.

The House proceeded to the special business of the meeting.

The Bishop of Western Michigan offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

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

At the request of the Bishop of Georgia the names of those nominated for Wyoming at the meeting at Atlantic City were read.
The Bishop of California offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the nomination of the Bishop of Idaho for the Missionary District of Honolulu be referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions to consider and report before the election takes place.

The Bishop of Minnesota offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That such Rules of Order be suspended as may be necessary to proceed to the election for Honolulu.

The Roll was called in reverse order and nominations were made from the floor. These nominations were referred to the Committee on Nominations.

On motion the House proceeded to the election of a Presiding Bishop, without nominations.

The Vice-Chairman appointed as Tellers the Bishop of Eau Claire and the Bishop of Lexington.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 1, for Presiding Bishop.

The Vice-Chairman ruled that it required a majority of all the Bishops entitled to vote for the election of a Presiding Bishop, in other words, a constitutional majority of the House.

The Bishop of Colorado announced he would later appeal from the decision of the Chair.

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

Report No. 1. Resolved, That the Committee on Domestic Missions recommends that this House proceed to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Honolulu.

This resolution had been previously acted upon.

Report No. 2. This Committee recommends that if this House desires to consider the translation of the Bishop of Idaho to the Missionary District of Honolulu that this House shall take action upon a suitable resolution to this effect before proceeding to the regular balloting.

Which was adopted.

Bishop Atwood for the Committee on Nominations made report on the names put in nomination at this time.

The Tellers reported on ballot No. 1, for Presiding Bishop. No election.
The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 2, for Presiding Bishop.

The House proceeded to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Honolulu using the form of Service provided in the Rules of Order, the Bishop Coadjutor of Pennsylvania reading a Lesson of Scripture.

The Tellers announced ballot No. 2, showing no election.

The House took a recess until 2 p.m.

The House resumed its session after recess at 2:15 p.m.

The Roll was called, the Bishops deposited their ballots and the Reverend Samuel Harrington Littell, D.D., a Presbyter of the Missionary District of Hankow was found on the first ballot to have received a majority of the votes and was thereupon declared by the Vice-Chairman to have been chosen as Bishop of the Missionary District of Honolulu, subject to the confirmation of the Standing Committees.

The Vice-Chairman appointed Bishop Lloyd and the Bishop of California a Committee to notify the Bishop chosen.

The House continued the election of a Presiding Bishop and the Vice-Chairman appointed as Tellers the Bishop of Arizona and the Bishop of Liberia.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 3, for Presiding Bishop.

The Bishops signed the testimonial for the Presbyter chosen for the Missionary District of Honolulu.

The Tellers reported ballot No. 3 for Presiding Bishop. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 4, for Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of South Dakota offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That in Sec. II. of the Offices of Devotion, page 11, of the Rules of Order, the words "the longer form," following the words "Veni Creator Spiritus," be omitted.

Chair decided that the subject was not germane to the special purpose for which this special meeting was called.

The Bishop of Indianapolis appealed from the decision of the Chair.
The Chair was not sustained.

The Tellers announced ballot No. 4. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 5, for Presiding Bishop.

Bishop Rhinelander presented to the House the Bishop of Winchester who was welcomed by the Vice-Chairman.

The House was addressed by the Bishop of Winchester.

The Bishop of Spokane offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Vice-Chairman be requested to send a message of affectionate greeting to Bishop Wells.

The Tellers announced ballot No. 5. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 6, for Presiding Bishop.

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The Bishop of Pennsylvania offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the resolution offered by the Bishop of South Dakota be referred to the Committee on Religious Services.

The Bishop of Cuba offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the question under Rule XVI. as to the number necessary to reverse a decision by the Chair be referred to the Committee on Rules.

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

Resolved, That in connection with the election of a Presiding Bishop the Chairman of the House at this meeting, with the help of such other members as he may select, prepare and send out to the Church at large a brief message of encouragement such as may stimulate its efforts and contribute to the effectiveness of its work in the present situation,—the statement to express the judgment of this House that the policies and methods adopted by the General Convention shall be followed and diligently pursued through the remaining period of this triennium.

The Vice-Chairman later appointed the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of South Dakota and the Bishop of Los Angeles, for the purpose above expressed.
The Bishop of Harrisburg offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That messages of affectionate greeting be sent to the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of Missouri, the Bishop of West Missouri, the Bishop of Arkansas, and Bishop Kinsolving, by the Chairman, in the name of the House.

The Tellers announced ballot No. 7. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 8, for Presiding Bishop.

The Vice-Chairman appointed as Tellers the Bishop of Southern Florida and the Bishop Coadjutor of Milwaukee.

The Bishop of Vermont offered the following explanatory statement which was adopted:

WHEREAS, At the last meeting of the House of Bishops at Atlantic City, on October 3, the then Presiding Bishop when he was taken from us, had just delivered his ruling that the action of the House on the preceding day in accepting the resignation of the Bishop of Southern Ohio had been completed according to the provision of Canon 18, § VII. [iv.], and was not open to rescission; the House of Bishops at this its next meeting formally accepts this ruling as it had implicitly accepted it when at the afternoon session of October 3, the Bishop of Ohio was without challenge asked to serve as the senior Bishop by Consecration having jurisdiction within the United States (§ 3, ¶ 2, of Article I.); and the House adds this note to be appended to the Minutes in order to clear its record and avoid any possible misunderstanding as to the effect of the vote to rescind then recorded.

The Tellers announced ballot No. 8. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 9, for Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Ohio offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the question as to whether matters that are not germane to the main purposes of a special meeting can be properly considered at such special meetings, be referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

The Tellers announced ballot No. 9. No election.

The Bishop of Vermont offered the following resolution, which was lost:

Resolved, That the House go into a Committee of the Whole to consider the whole subject of the election of a Presiding Bishop.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 10, for Presiding Bishop.

The Senior Bishop took the Chair.
The Bishop of Western Michigan offered a resolution of thanks to the Bishop of Washington and the Officers of the Cathedral, which was adopted.

The Senior Bishop called attention to the fact that the Bishop of Montana had not cast his vote and on motion he was permitted to do so.

The Vice-Chairman took the Chair.

The Tellers announced ballot No. 10. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 11, for Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Colorado announced that he was now prepared to appeal from the decision of the Chair on the number necessary to elect a Presiding Bishop.

The House debated the subject.

The Tellers announced ballot No. 11. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 12, for Presiding Bishop.

The Tellers announced ballot No. 12. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 13, for Presiding Bishop.

On motion the House voted to sustain the ruling of the Chair, on the number necessary to elect a Presiding Bishop.

Bishop Vincent offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House adjourn to 9 A.M., tomorrow morning.

The Bishop of Georgia moved to amend by changing the hour to 9:30 A.M. tomorrow. The motion was lost.

The Bishop of Pennsylvania moved to amend by changing the hour to 8 P.M. tonight. The motion was lost.

The resolution of Bishop Vincent being put on motion was lost.

The Bishop of Indianapolis offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a recess of thirty minutes be taken and that the Chair appoint a Committee of five Bishops to consider and present to the House the names of two Bishops for the House to ballot.

The resolution was lost.
The Tellers reported ballot No. 13. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 14, for Presiding Bishop.

Bishop Brewster moved an adjournment until 9:15 A.M., tomorrow morning.

Which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Minnesota moved an adjournment until 8 P.M.

Which was not adopted.

The Bishop of Indianapolis moved that the Bishop of Ohio be instructed to cast one ballot for the Bishop of Chicago as Presiding Bishop.

Which was ruled out of order.

The Tellers reported on ballot No. 14. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 15, for Presiding Bishop.

The Minutes of the meeting up to this point were read by the Secretary and accepted.

The Tellers reported on ballot No. 15. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 16, for Presiding Bishop.

The Tellers reported on ballot No. 16, which showed the election of the Bishop of Chicago as Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Ohio, Senior Bishop, declared the election complete and presented the Bishop of Chicago to the House.

The Presiding Bishop addressed the House.

At the conclusion of his address he appointed the Bishop of South Dakota as his Assessor.

On motion this appointment was confirmed by the House.

A resolution to adjourn, after the Benediction, was on motion adopted.

The Presiding Bishop pronounced the Benediction and the House adjourned sine die at 6:30 P.M.

Attest: C. P. Anderson, Bishop Presiding.

Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.
SPECIAL MEETING

OF THE

HOUSE OF BISHOPS

SAINT JAMES CATHEDRAL, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26TH, 1930.

This being the time and place appointed a Special Meeting of the House of Bishops was held on the call of the Senior Bishop, the Bishop of Ohio in view of the death of the Right Reverend Charles Palmerston Anderson, D.D., Presiding Bishop of the Church, and in accordance with the provision of Article I, Sec. 3, of the Constitution, at Saint James Cathedral, Chicago, Illinois.

The Opening Service was held at 9:30 A.M., the Holy Communion being celebrated by the Bishop of Ohio, being assisted by the Bishop of Milwaukee who read the Epistle and the Bishop of South Dakota who read the Gospel. The Very Reverend John Herbert Edwards, President of the Standing Committee of the Diocese and the Very Reverend Duncan H. Brown, S.T.D., Dean of the Cathedral were present in the chancel, representing the Diocese and the Cathedral.

The Senior Bishop immediately before the prayer for the Whole State of Christ Church announced the death since the last meeting of the House of the following Bishops, using the prayers as called for under Rule 4 of the Rules of Order of the House:

The Right Reverend Lucien Lee Kinsolving, D.D., LL.D., died 18 December, 1929.

The Right Reverend Davis Sessums, D.D., Bishop of Louisiana, died 24 December, 1929.


The Right Reverend Charles Lewis Slattery, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts, died 12 March, 1930.

At the close of the service the Bishop of Ohio, Senior Bishop, called the House to order in St. James Cathedral.

The Call for the meeting was read by the Secretary as follows:

**February 6th, 1930.**

According to the provision of the Constitution, in Article I, Sec. 3, in view of the death of the Right Reverend Charles Palmerston Anderson, D.D., Presiding Bishop of the Church, the duty devolves upon me, as the Senior Bishop of the Church by Consecration, having jurisdiction in the United States, to call a Special Meeting of the House of Bishops to elect a Bishop having jurisdiction in the United States to be the Presiding Bishop.

I therefore call a meeting of the House of Bishops to assemble in the City of Chicago, Illinois, at 9:30 A.M., on the morning of March 26th, 1930, in St. James' Cathedral, 666 Rush Street, to elect a Presiding Bishop, and to transact any other business that may be lawfully presented at such meeting.

**William A. Leonard, Bishop of Ohio, Senior Bishop.**

On the suggestion of the Senior Bishop, the Bishop of Georgia was, on motion, elected Chairman of the meeting.

On motion of the Bishop of Western Michigan the Secretary was requested to send a letter of sympathy to the Bishop of Chicago who was detained by illness from being present.

The Roll of the House was certified by the Secretary.

The Roll of the House was called and it was found that 82 Bishops, being more than a quorum, of the House were present, to-wit:

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Bishop of Western New York.
Bishop of Delaware.
Bishop Coadjutor of Montana.
Bishop of Duluth.
Bishop of Upper South Carolina.
Bishop of New York.
Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado.
Bishop of Erie.
Bishop of Albany.
Suffragan Bishop of South Dakota.
Bishop of Haiti.
Bishop of Pittsburgh.
Bishop of Washington.
Bishop Coadjutor of Western Virginia.
Bishop of Bethlehem.
Bishop of Springfield.

The Bishop of North Texas.
Bishop of Vermont.
Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio.
Bishop of Northern Indiana.
Bishop Coadjutor of Milwaukee.
Bishop of Olympia.
Bishop of Long Island.
Bishop of Arizona.
Bishop of New Hampshire.
Bishop of Maryland.
Bishop of Oklahoma.
Bishop of South Carolina.
Bishop of Nevada.
Bishop of Eau Claire.
Bishop of Lexington.
Bishop Coadjutor of Pennsylvania.
Bishop Coadjutor of Fond du Lac.
Bishop of Wyoming.
Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York.
Bishop of Marquette.

The following Bishops appeared later and took their seats, to-wit:
The Bishop of West Texas.
Bishop of Dallas.
Bishop of Atlanta.
Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi.
Bishop of Alabama.

Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee.
Bishop of Florida.
Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida.

The unread portion of the Minutes of November 13th were read and the Minutes as a whole were approved.

The following lately consecrated Bishops were presented to the House, to-wit:
The Right Reverend Cameron Josiah Davis, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York presented by the Bishop of Western New York and the Bishop of Pittsburgh.
The Right Reverend Elmer Nicholas Schmuck, D.D., Bishop of Wyoming, presented by the Bishop of South Dakota.
The Right Reverend Hayward Seller Ablewhite, Bishop of Marquette, presented by the Bishop of Western Michigan.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi appeared and took his seat.
The Senior Bishop made report of his Official Acts in the interim period since the death of the Presiding Bishop, which report was ordered spread upon the Minutes, as follows:

I beg to report that on Thursday, January 30th, 1930, I received notification of the death of the Right Reverend Charles Palmerston Anderson, D.D., Presiding Bishop of the Church. This notification came to me by radio while I was on a steamship in the Caribbean Sea. Thereafter, in touch with the office of the Presiding Bishop at 281 Fourth Avenue, New York City, and, through the great helpfulness and courtesy of Bishop Burleson and Dr. Pardee, the business of that office was carried on in my absence. It was very wonderful to hurl one's suggestions across the intervening space through the air, and to realize that within two hours they were at their destination.

I received a radiogram from the Dean of this Cathedral who asked that we might appoint the meeting for our Council in St. James' Cathedral, out of respect for Bishop Anderson. This wish was at once acted on, and immediately carried out. At the same time I appointed the Right Reverend Hugh L. Burleson, D.D., Missionary Bishop of South Dakota, my Assessor, and this gave him free hand to carry out all the details, which he has so admirably fulfilled. It is a strange Providence which has required me, as Senior Bishop, to take up the work of the Presiding Bishop's office twice within a period of six months. It is without precedent.

On the fourth of February received a radiogram from Bishop Burleson, stating that the House of Bishops is called for the twenty-sixth of March.

On the twenty-fourth of February I reported in person at the office of the Presiding Bishop in New York. By long distance, with the Bishop-elect of Marquette, I appointed Bishop Burleson as Consecrator, and Bishop McCormick as Co-Consecrator. Again on the twenty-sixth of February, completed the details for the Consecration of Dean Ablewhite, at Marquette, Michigan, on March twenty-fifth, being the Feast of the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Notice having been received that a majority of the Standing Committee had consented to the election of the Rev. Henry W. Hobson to be Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Southern Ohio, I at once communicated with him, in order that, as far as possible, arrangements might be made for his Consecration when the canonical consents of the Bishops shall have been received. This will save time and trouble for whosoever is chosen as our Presiding Bishop.

On March 18th notice came from Headquarters in New York that a majority of the Standing Committees had consented to the election and Consecration of the Very Reverend William Scarlett to be the Bishop Coadjutor of Missouri. I immediately communicated with Dean Scarlett, asking him to name the Bishops he desired to officiate at his Consecration.

On March 21st notices were sent to the Bishops asking their consent to the election and Consecration of Dean Scarlett to be Bishop Coadjutor of Missouri.

It is perfectly proper for me to state that Bishop Anderson was very happy in the few weeks that God permitted him to hold this high office of Presiding Bishop, and that he rejoiced in the privilege of thus serving the Church in this capacity.
The Bishop of West Texas and the Bishop of Dallas appeared and took their seats.

The Secretary reported the receipt of communications as follows:

From the Senior Bishop a direction to change the status of the Suffragan Bishop of Chicago on the Roll of the House to read the Bishop of Chicago, the election having been completed. This has been done.

From Bishop Nelson, the Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishop of Idaho, and the Bishop of Arkansas, regrets at inability to attend this meeting because of illness.

From the Bishop of North Tokyo a nomination for the office of Presiding Bishop.

From the Bishop of California an expression of his desire that the Bishops should be informed that only his attendance at the Consecration of Bishop Littell in Honolulu has prevented his attendance at this meeting.

In accordance with the expressed desire of the House the Secretary was requested to send messages of sympathy to Members of the House absent from this meeting because of illness.

On motion of the Bishop of New York the House went into Executive Session. The Senior Bishop retiring from the Chair the Bishop of Georgia was, on motion, elected Chairman of the meeting.

The Bishop of Georgia led the House in prayer for guidance.

The Bishop of New Jersey offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That it is the judgment of this House that it is entirely proper under the provisions of the Constitution, Article I, Sec. 3, to elect, for the ad interim term a Presiding Bishop, by a majority vote, a quorum being present.

On motion the resolution was not adopted.

The Bishop of Atlanta, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee and the Bishop Coadjutor of South Florida appeared and took their seats.

The Bishop of Arizona offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the following procedure be observed in the election of the Presiding Bishop:
1. That nominations be made by name only.
2. That all Nominees then withdraw.
3. That in Executive Session there be a full and frank discussion of the Nominees.
After discussion the resolution was on motion laid on the table.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio suggested that an explanation of the new scheme of the reorganization of the National Council be given by the Bishop of Rhode Island.

The Bishop of Rhode Island addressed the House on this subject.

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

At noon the Bishop of Georgia bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The Bishop of Colorado moved as a substitute for nominations the casting of an informal ballot.

The Bishop of Indianapolis moved as a substitute that a Committee be appointed to nominate to the House for the office of Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Colorado accepted the substitute.

After discussion the Bishop of Nebraska moved that the pending resolution and substitute be laid upon the table, which motion was carried.

The Bishop of Nebraska moved that an informal ballot for Presiding Bishop be taken. The motion was carried.

The Chairman appointed as Tellers the Bishop of Marquette and the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York.

The Roll was called and the Bishops prepared and cast their ballots for the informal ballot.

The Bishop of Western Michigan moved that the House go into Council. The motion was carried.

The Bishops rose from Council.

The Tellers reported the result of the informal ballot, no nominee receiving a constitutional majority.

The House took recess until 2:30 p.m.

The House reconvened after recess.

The Roll was called and the Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 2.
The Bishops on motion went into Council.
The Bishops rose from Council.
The Tellers reported the result of ballot No. 2. No election.
The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 3.
The Bishops on motion returned to Council.
The Bishops rose from Council.
The Bishop of Georgia as President of the Council reported to the House the appointment of a Committee for further consideration of the matter before it.
The Bishop of New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this House of Bishops hereby utters its solemn protest against the religious persecution in Russia which shocks the moral sense of the civilized world, and that we call upon the clergy and people of the Church to lift up their prayers to Almighty God for those of all faiths who are suffering for their religion, and also for those who are inflicting these wrongs upon their fellow men that they may be shown the light and may be brought to repentance for these deeds.

The Tellers reported the result of ballot No. 3. No election.
The Bishops prepared and cast ballots in ballot No. 4.
The Bishop of Western Michigan presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That no Bishop be at liberty to leave the House before the election of a Presiding Bishop without permission from the House.

The Bishop of Oregon presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, This House of Bishops in electing a Presiding Bishop is doing so not for the House of Bishops alone but for the entire Church, and

WHEREAS, The newspapers both Church and secular will publish reports of the election based on surmise and such fragmentary statements as they can secure from various Bishops contrary to our ruling that the sessions are confidential in nature, thereby giving erroneous and misleading alleged information to the public in and out of the Church.

Be it Resolved, That at the close of this session the Secretary is instructed to furnish the Publicity Department of the Church a full statement of nominations, votes received on various ballots which have determined the election of the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Oregon presented the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote:
Resolved, That this House of Bishops hereby records its appreciation of the generous and thoughtful hospitality extended the Members of the House by Mr. Tracy Drake and the Drake Hotel Company and requests the Secretary to advise Mr. Drake and the Drake Hotel Company of this action.

The Bishop of Harrisburg presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops in session in the City of Chicago appreciate the efforts of the United States Delegates to the Conference in London and request them to continue their endeavors for the limitation of Naval Armaments, and the furtherance of world peace.

The Tellers reported the result of ballot No. 4. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 5.

The Chairman appointed as Tellers the Bishop of Wyoming and the Bishop Coadjutor of Fond du Lac.

The Bishop of East Carolina announced the observance for a period of ten days leading up to Whitsunday, of the nineteen hundredth anniversary of Pentecost in the interest of Evangelism by all Christian bodies, and requested the co-operation of the Members of the House.

The Tellers reported the result of ballot No. 5. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 6.

The following letter was received from the Bishop of Chicago which was ordered spread upon the Minutes:

It has been my very great hope that I should be able to come to the meeting of the House of Bishops on this day. This has proved quite impossible and, therefore, I take this opportunity to welcome the members of the House to the City and Diocese of Chicago on my own behalf and that of the Clergy and Laity.

I am grateful to you for coming to the city and Diocese of our late beloved Diocesan and Presiding Bishop and I want you to know that it is a great privilege and honor to us to have you share also in our Diocesan life and fellowship.

Assuring each and every member of my deep regret that I cannot be with you, I remain

Faithfully and affectionately yours,

SHELDON M. GRISWOLD, Bishop of Chicago.

The Bishop of Michigan presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Chairman of this House be instructed to appoint a Committee of five to study both the Constitution and Canons of this Church together with the Rules of Order of the House and present at the next meeting of this House such amendments and changes in regard to the whole status and work of the Presiding Bishop as in their judgment may seem desirable.
The newly-elected Presiding Bishop later appointed the Bishop of Michigan, Bishop Vincent, the Bishop of Tennessee, the Bishop of Minnesota and the Bishop of South Dakota as such Committee.

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

Resolved, That there be referred to this Committee of five the advisability of such legislative changes as may provide for a successor ad interim in case of the death or disability of the Presiding Bishop without meetings of the House of Bishops.

The Tellers reported the result of ballot No. 6. No election.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots in ballot No. 7.

The Bishop of Atlanta presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House records its opinion that this meeting of the House of Bishops be considered the meeting for this year as required in Rule 12 of the House and that the Presiding Bishop be requested not to call a meeting of the House next autumn, unless special occasion should arise.

The Tellers reported the result of ballot No. 7 and the Chairman declared the election of the Bishop of Rhode Island as Presiding Bishop.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of South Dakota and the Bishop of Long Island to conduct the Presiding Bishop to the Chair.

The Presiding Bishop addressed the House.

The Presiding Bishop nominated as Assessor the Bishop of South Dakota which nomination was on motion confirmed by the House.

On motion of the Bishop of Connecticut the election of the Bishop of Rhode Island as Presiding Bishop was made unanimous by a rising vote.

The Bishop of Georgia offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary be required to send to the Bishop of Chicago, the Dean of St. James Cathedral, and the Church Club of Chicago an expression of the appreciation of the House of the hospitality and many courtesies extended during this meeting.

Bishop Vincent offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House proceed to the election of a Vice-Chairman.
Nominations being in order,

The Bishop of Iowa nominated the Bishop of Georgia.

The Bishop of Quincy nominated the Bishop of Minnesota.

The Bishop of Colorado nominated the Bishop of New Jersey.

On motion of the Bishop of Connecticut the nominations were closed.

The Bishops prepared and cast their ballots.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as Tellers the Bishop of Wyoming and the Bishop of Marquette.

The Bishop of South Dakota nominated the Bishop of Minnesota to take the place of Bishop Hall on the Special Committee appointed to consider the whole subject of the translation of Diocesan Bishops, and the appointment was made by the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Western Michigan indicated a vacancy on the Special Committee on the appointment of a Suffragan to the Presiding Bishop with reference to the Churches in Europe and Army and Navy Chaplains. The Presiding Bishop appointed the Bishop of Ohio to this vacancy.

The Tellers reported the ballot for Vice-Chairman as follows:

Eighty-three votes cast, necessary to a choice forty-four. The Bishop of Georgia received fifty-seven, the Bishop of Minnesota fourteen and the Bishop of New Jersey twelve. The Presiding Bishop declared the election of the Bishop of Georgia as Vice-Chairman.

The Bishop of Eastern Oregon noted a vacancy on the Committee on the subject of Lay Readers and the Church Army. The Presiding Bishop filled the vacancy by the appointment of the Bishop of Vermont.

On motion the election of the Bishop of Georgia as Vice-Chairman was made unanimous by a rising vote.

The Bishop of Pittsburgh offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That a Committee of three, of which the Presiding Bishop shall be a member, be appointed with power to draft a resolution setting forth the great loss sustained by the House in the death of the late Presiding Bishop, sometime Bishop of Chicago.
The Presiding Bishop appointed as the other members of this Committee the Bishop of Indianapolis and the Bishop of Fond du Lac.

The Committee later presented the following Minute to be spread upon the Minutes:

The House of Bishops, meeting in Chicago on the 26th day of March to elect a successor to the Right Reverend Charles Palmerston Anderson, D.D., LL.D., late Presiding Bishop, cannot adjourn without spreading on its records an expression of its sense of loss not only to this House but to the Church in the death of Bishop Anderson. It is needless to reiterate the many and deserved eulogies already pronounced. No words that we might utter, no praise we might bestow, could add to the lustre of his outstanding personality, his great gifts of heart and mind. Rather we would render our hearty thanks to God for the life and work of this His servant, whereby the cause of Christ and His Church has been promoted and another example given to the world of the beauty and fruitfulness of a Christian life. We miss his presence; we are the poorer through the loss of his counsel and fellowship. Our prayer is that in the Paradise of God, in the fuller vision of the Master whom he served here on earth, he may continually grow in the love and service of his divine Lord, and that our heavenly Father will bring to his bereaved family that consolation and peace which flow from the knowledge of a task completed a victory won.

May he rest in peace and may light perpetual shine upon him.

The Bishop of Pittsburgh offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That after the reading of the Minutes, the Prayers and the Benediction, the House shall adjourn sine die.

On motion the Minutes were adopted as read.

The Presiding Bishop after Prayers pronounced the Benediction, and the House adjourned sine die at 6 P.M.

Attest: James DeWolf Perry, Presiding Bishop.
Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.
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W. R. Noe,
R. B. Drane, D.D.,
Stephen Gardner,

Wilmington, N.C.
Wilmington, N.C.
Wilmington, N.C.
Washington, N.C.

George B. Elliott,
George C. Royall,
George Rountree,
Champion McD. Davis,||

Wilmington, N.C.
Goldsboro, N.C.
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Roy Rolfe Gilson, Salisbury, Md.
F. W. Kirwan, Denton, Md.
Samuel R. MacEwan, Easton, Md.
William McClelland, East New Market, Md.

EASTON
Cassius M. Dashiell, Princess Anne, Md.
Dudley G. Roe,|| Sudlersville, Md.
David Dallas,|| Salisbury, Md.
H. Lay Beaven,|| Hillsboro, Md.

Lay

EAU CLAIRE
Robert D. Vinter, La Crosse, Wis.
Albert H. Head, Spooner, Wis.
F. Victor Hoag, Eau Claire, Wis.
G. D. Christian, Owen, Wis.
S. G. Moon, Eau Claire, Wis.
R. Rodman, Ashland, Wis.
A. L. Gilmore,|| Superior, Wis.
G. Van Steenwyk,|| La Crosse, Wis.

ERIE
Francis B. Blodgett, Erie, Pa.
Albert Broadhurst, Titusville, Pa.
Frederick B. Atkinson, Sharon, Pa.
E. V. D. Selden, Oil City, Pa.
Cyrus F. Mackey,|| Franklin, Pa.
Turner W. Shacklett,|| Erie, Pa.
George H. Murchie,|| Sharon, Pa.

FLORIDA
Newton Middleton, Jacksonville.
William S. Stoney,|| Gainesville.
William J. Alfriend,|| Tallahassee.
Francis B. Wakefield, Jr.,|| Palatka.
Frank P. Dearing,|| Jacksonville.
Raymond A. Yockey,|| Gainesville.
Harry L. Brown,|| Tallahassee.
Benj. A. Meginnis,|| Tallahassee.

FOND DU LAC
Lucius D. Hopkins, Big Suamico, Wis.
William C. Way, Wausau, Wis.
A. Gordon Fowkes, Menasha, Wis.
A. Parker Curtis, Sheboygan, Wis.
Hamilton Roddis, Marshfield, Wis.
Isaac P. Witter, Wisconsin Rapids, Wis.
Louis A. Pradt, Wausau, Wis.
Edward O. Brown,|| Rhinelander, Wis.

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**HARRISBURG**


**INDIANAPOLIS**

| William Burrows, Indianapolis, Ind. | Frederick D. Rose,|| Muncie, Ind. |
| George G. Burbank,|| Richmond, Ind. | Frank P. McNutt,|| Crawfordsville, Ind. |
| E. Aigner Powell, Evansville, Ind. | J. F. Morrison,|| Indianapolis, Ind. |
| George S. Southworth, Indianapolis, Ind. | Anton Anderson,|| Lafayette, Ind. |

**IOWA**

| Rowland F. Phillbrook, Davenport. | E. G. Moon,|| Ottumwa. |
| Harry S. Longley, Jr., Des Moines. | J. Arthur Thompson,|| Clinton. |

**KANSAS**

| Carl W. Nau,|| Kansas City. | Frank C. Gibbs,|| Topeka. |
| Carlton A. Clark, Independence. | A. C. George,|| Wichita. |
| Henry C. Attwater, Wichita. | Seth W. Bailey,|| Chanute. |
| Samuel E. West.* Wichita. | C. A. Magill,*|| Wichita. |

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Harry S. Musson,              C. D. Campbell,||            Louisville.
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Custis Fletcher,              William Heyburn,||            Louisville.
Paducah.

THEODORE S. WILL,             Clinton S. Harbison,||        Lexington, Ky.
Ashland, Ky.
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Danville, Ky.

Robert J. Murphy,             C. C. Frische,                   Latonia-Covington, Ky.
Versailles, Ky.

LEXINGTON                     J. A. Edge,*                      Lexington, Ky.

J. Howard Melish, D.D.,       Raymond F. Barnes,           Brooklyn, N.Y.
Ashland, Ky.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

Lexington, Ky.
Brooklyn, N.Y.

G. Paul T. Sargent,           Origen S. Seymour,           Long Island, N.Y.
Garden City, N.Y.

Brooklyn, N.Y.

LOS ANGELES                   C. M. Gair,||                        Los Angeles, Cal.

Harry Beal, D.D.,             Los Angeles, Cal.
Los Angeles, Cal.

C. Rankin Barnes,             H. Ivor Thomas,||            Los Angeles, Cal.
New York City.
Los Angeles, Cal.

George Davidson, D.D.,        Merton A. Albee,               Los Angeles, Cal.
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L. E. Learned, D.D.,          J. E. Cowles,                  Los Angeles, Cal.
Pasadena, Cal.

W. S. Slack,                  Wm. A. Monten,†                Los Angeles, Cal.
Alexandria.

Malcolm W. Lockhart,          C. M. Gair,||                        Los Angeles, Cal.
Baton Rouge.

New Orleans.

Sidney L. Vail,               H. E. Hoppen,                Bogalusa.
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Clerical

Ralph H. Hayden, Camden.
William E. Patterson, Bar Harbor.
Andrew Edward Scott, Biddeford.
Ernest A. Pressy, Portland.

MAINE

Charles F. Flagg, Portland.
Robert Hallowell Gardiner, Gardiner.
Charles Bailey Clarke, Portland.
Kenneth C. M. Sills, Brunswick.

MARIAN

Thomas Foster, Escanaba, Mich.
G. S. Walton, Menominee, Mich.
Maurice Clarke, Marquette, Mich.

H. R. Harris, Marquette, Mich.
A. E. Miller, Marquette, Mich.

MARYLAND

William A. McClenahan, D.D., Baltimore.
Philip J. Jensen, Maryland.
S. Tagart Steele, Jr., D.D., Baltimore.

Edward G. Gibson, Baltimore.
Henry D. Harlan, Baltimore.
Arthur Boehm, Annapolis.
E. N. Rich, Baltimore.

MASSACHUSETTS

Frederic W. Fitts, Roxbury, Boston.
John M. Groton, New Bedford.
Francis E. Webster, Boston.

Philip S. Parker, Boston.
Frederick W. Dallinger, Cambridge.
Charles E. Mason, Hingham.

MICHIGAN

K. B. O'Ferral, D.D., Detroit.
Leonard P. Haggar, Detroit.

Lewis H. Paddock, Detroit.
William T. Barbour, Detroit.
Henry S. Hulbert, Detroit.
Henry S. Booth, Bloomfield Hills.

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A. E. Knickerbocker, D.D.,
Milwaukee.
Phillips E. Osgood, D.D.,
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J. K. Edsall,
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Wauwatosa, Wis.
Vroman Mason,
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MONTANA

Frank W. Haskins,
Butte.
Harold Longmaid, Helena.
Fred Rixon,
Billings.
William Freakes,
Red Lodge.
F. A. Thompson,†
Butte.

† Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Sessions on the 4th day.
‡ Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Sessions on the 11th day.
* Taking the place of Rev. Mr. Ashworth on the 8th day.
** Taking the place of Mr. Haskins on the 10th day.
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**Newark**
- Charles L. Gomph, Newark, N.J.
- Arthur Dumper, D.D., Newark, N.J.
- Chas. T. Walkley, D.D., Orange, N.J.
- Dean Emery, Short Hills, N.J.
- George W. Hulsart, Glen Ridge, N.J.
- Howard I. Dohrman, Ridgewood, N.J.
- Charles B. Johnes, South Orange, N.J.

**New Hampshire**
- Arthur M. Dunstan, Dover.
- William P. Niles, Nashua.
- Godfrey M. Brinley, Concord.
- Laurence F. Piper, Derry.
- Edward K. Woodworth, Concord.
- John R. Spring,|| Nashua.
- Joel F. Shepard,|| Dover.
- Lewis E. Davison, Woodsville.

**New Jersey**
- E. Vicars Stevenson, Plainfield.
- R. Bowden Shepherd, Trenton.
- Rudolph E. Brestell, D.D., Camden.
- Robert Williams, Princeton.
- William F. Stroud, Moorestown.
- F. M. P. Pearse, Metuchen.
- Clark McK. Whittemore, Elizabeth.
- Edward Stokes,* Sea Girt.
- E. L. Katzenbach,† Trenton.

**New York**
- E. Clowes Chorley, D.D., Garrison-on-Hudson, N.Y.
- Stephen Baker, New York City.
- Samuel Thorne, New York City.
- George W. Wickersham, New York City.
- Monell Sayre, New York City.

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George C. Foley, D.D., Philadelphia.

Edward H. Bonsall, Philadelphia.
Reynolds D. Brown, Philadelphia.
Reed A. Morgan, Philadelphia.
Louis B. Runk, Philadelphia.

Pittsburgh

William F. Shero, Ph.D., Greensburg, Pa.
H. Boyd Edwards, Pittsburgh, Pa.
John A. Lathwood, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Theodore M. Hopke, McKeesport, Pa.
John C. Sheriff, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Robert E. Withers, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Quincy

W. L. Essex, Peoria, Ill.
C. A. G. Heiligstedt, Kewanee, Ill.
C. D. Maddox, Tiskilwa, Ill.
J. K. Putt, Griggsville, Ill.
C. F. Savage,* Moline, Ill.

C. W. Dull,|| Monmouth, Ill.
A. E. Lamp, Rock Island, Ill.
Walter B. Duke,|| Henry, Ill.
C. S. Cockle,|| Peoria, Ill.

Rhode Island

Stanley C. Hughes, Newport.
W. Appleton Lawrence, D.D., Providence.
Francis J. M. Cotter, Providence.
John N. Brown,|| Providence.
Benj. M. MacDougall, Bristol.
Lewis D. Learned, Providence.
Wallis E. Howe, Bristol.

Sacramento

Frank H. Denman, Petaluma, Cal.
Henry J. Bush,|| Woodland, Cal.
W. U. Stansbery, Sacramento, Cal.
G. D. Dickey,|| Vallejo, Cal.

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### SOUTH FLORIDA

| R. T. Phillips, | Miami, Fla. | F. L. Knight,|| Miami, Fla. |
| Evan A. Edwards, | St. Petersburg, Fla. | S. L. Lowry, Sr.,|| Tampa, Fla. |

### SOUTHERN OHIO

| J. H. Lynch, D.D., | Cincinnati, Ohio. | F. O. Schoedinger, | Columbus, Ohio. |
| C. E. Byrer, D.D., | Gambier, Ohio. | Robert Patterson, | Dayton, Ohio. |

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Lewis C. Williams, Richmond.
John M. Taylor, Richmond.

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Melville Church, Washington, D.C.
Busey H. Howard, Washington, D.C.
Thos. E. Robertson, Chevy Chase, Md.

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W. G. Holt, Kansas City, Mo.
A. C. Stowell, Kansas City, Mo.
Wm. W. Mantz, West Plains.
Walter Brown, Kansas City, Mo.

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Frank B. Glimpse, San Antonio, Texas.
Frank M. Gillespie, San Antonio, Texas.
Tom D. Gish, San Antonio, Texas.

WEST VIRGINIA

J. W. Hobson, Bluefield.
John Gass, D.D., Charleston.
S. R. Tyler, Huntington.
W. P. Chrisman, Beckley.

B. Randolph Bias, Williamson, W. Va.

* Taking the place of Mr. Ashley on the 10th day.
\* Indicates non-attendance at the Convention.
WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS

**Clerical**


A. Vincent Bennett, *Fitchburg, Mass.*

**Lay**

Frank A. Spaulding, *Pittsfield, Mass.*


Howard C. Rudderham, *Shirley, Mass.*

WESTERN MICHIGAN


William A. Simms, *Battle Creek, Mich.*


E. G. White,* *Ionia, Mich.*


WESTERN NEW YORK

Benjamin S. Sanderson, *North Tonawanda, N.Y.*

Charles A. Jessup, D.D., *Buffalo, N.Y.*

Samuel Tyler, D.D., *Rochester, N.Y.*


Frank B. Baird, *Buffalo, N.Y.*

Myron M. Ludlow, Jr.,|| *East Aurora, N.Y.*

S. K. Brown, || *Scottsville, N.Y.*

Shephard Kimberly,|| *Buffalo, N.Y.*

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

G. Floyd Rogers, *Asheville, N.C.*

J. Preston Burke, *Hendersonville, N.C.*

LeRoy A. Jahn, *Morgantown, N.C.*

Samuel B. Stroup, *Hickory, N.C.*

William L. Balthis, *Gastonia, N.C.*

F. Pickens Bacon,|| *Tryon, N.C.*

Sheldon Leavitt, *Asheville, N.C.*

Harold V. Smedberg,|| *Brevard, N.C.*

M. H. Yount,† *Hickory.*

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* Taking the place of Rev. Mr. Whittemore on the 6th day.
† Taking the place of Mr. Leavitt on the 10th day.
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PANAMA CANAL ZONE

Clerical
Edward J. Cooper, Cristobel, C.Z.
Dalferes Penington, M.D., Balboa Heights, C.Z.

Benson H. Harvey, New York.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS

William E. Alger, Camp Meade, Md.

PORTO RICO

J. A. Swinson, St. Thomas, V. I.
Frank A. Saylor, Mayaguez, P.R.

SALINA

Wilfred A. Munday, Goodland, Kans.
Fred C. Utt, Salina, Kans.

SAN JOAQUIN

William E. Patrick, Bakersfield, Calif.
Sidney L. Strother, Fresno, Calif.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Wilbert D. Swain, Sioux Falls.

SPokane

Stanley T. Boggess, Walla Walla, Wash.
Harold C. Whitehouse, Spokane, Wash.

UTAH

Alwyn E. Butcher, Salt Lake City.
Chauncey P. Overfield, Salt Lake City.
W. F. Bulkley, Salt Lake City.

WESTERN NEBRASKA

Francis R. Lee, Hastings, Neb.
Oliver Riley,* Scotts Bluff.
Ralph R. Horth, Grand Island, Nebr.
J. E. Whitney,† Hastings, Nebr.

WYOMING

Philip K. Edwards, Casper.
C. D. Williamson, Hanna.

* Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Lee on the 9th day.
† Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Butcher on the 10th day.
‡ Taking the place of Mr. Horth on the 11th day.
** Taking the place of the Rev. Mr. Swinson on the 13th day.
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LIST OF MEMBERS

FOREIGN MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

ANKING

Clerical

Lay

CUBA


HABANA


HAITI

No Deputies Elected.

HANKOW

W. J. Reed, A. H. Butler, *Cape Mount, Liberia.*

KYOTO


LIBERIA

Efrain Salinas, Frederico Adams, *Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico.*

MEXICO


NORTH TOKYO

No report.

SHANGHAI


SOUTHERN BRAZIL


TOHOKU

AMERICAN CHURCHES IN EUROPE


*Indicates non-attendance at the Convention.*
FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

St. John's Cathedral, Denver, Colorado,
Wednesday, September 16, 1931.

This being the day designated by the last General Convention 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 Denver at 7:30 A.M., in St. John's Cathedral.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Presiding Bishop assisted in the Epistle by Bishop McKim of North Tokyo and in the Gospel by Bishop Vincent.

At 10:30 A.M. in the Municipal Auditorium, the Service of Morning Prayer was said by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Harrisburg, the First Lesson being read by the Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, S.T.D., of Pennsylvania and the Second Lesson by the Rev. Dr. Davis. The sermon was preached by The Rt. Rev. Michael Furse, D.D., Lord Bishop of St. Alban's, England. The Presiding Bishop read the closing prayers and pronounced the Benediction.

3:00 P.M., Scottish Rite Cathedral.

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


Albany.—The Rev. Messrs. Purdy, McKinstry, Bambach and Hamilton.

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ARKANSAS.—The Rev. Messrs. Stowell, Williamson, Burke and Collins.


CALIFORNIA.—The Rev. Drs. Allen, Powell, Porter and Hidgkin.


CHICAGO.—The Rev. Drs. Thomas, Randall and Grant and the Rev. Mr. Stoskopf.

COLORADO.—The Rev. Messrs. Foster, Dagwell, Benjamin and Haldeman.

CONNECTICUT.—The Rev. Drs. Sill, Plumb and Budlong and the Rev. Mr. Morehouse.


DELWARE.—The Rev. Messrs. Thompson, Bell and Donaghay and the Rev. Dr. Graham.


EASTON.—The Rev. Messrs. Gilson, Kirby, MacEwan and McClanahan.


GEORGIA.—The Rev. Drs. Wright and Lawrence and the Rev. Messrs. Carpenter and Barber.

HARRISBURG.—The Rev. Messrs. Atkins, Bennett and Nichols and the Rev. Dr. Treder.


LEXINGTON.—The Rev. Messrs. Will, Sparling, Davis and Murphy.

LONG ISLAND.—The Rev. Drs. Melish, Gardner and Jones and the Rev. Mr. Sargent.

LOS ANGELES.—The Rev. Drs. Beal, Davidson and Learned and the Rev. Mr. Barnes.


MAINE.—The Rev. Messrs. Hayden, Patterson, Scott and Pressey.

MARQUETTE.—The Rev. Messrs. Foster, Attridge and Clarke.

MARYLAND.—The Rev. Drs. Kinsolving, McClenthan and Steele and the Rev. Mr. Jensen.

MASSACHUSETTS.—The Rev. Dr. Washburn and the Rev. Messrs. Fitts, Groton, and Webster.

MICHIGAN.—The Rev. Drs. Maxon, Woodroofe and O'Ferrall and the Rev. Mr. Hagger.


MISSISSIPPI.—The Rev. Dr. Capers and the Rev. Mr. Woodson.
MINNESOTA.—The Rev. Dr. Block and the Rev. Messrs. Bloy, Bunting and Clarke.

MONTANA.—The Rev. Messrs. Bennett, Daniels and Lewis.


NEVADA.—The Rev. Mr. Gomph and the Rev. Drs. Dumper, Walkley and White.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—The Rev. Messrs. Dunstan, Niles, Brinley and Piper.

NEW JERSEY.—The Rev. Messrs. Stevenson, Shepherd and Williams and the Rev. Dr. Brestell.

NEW YORK.—The Rev. Drs. Silver, Stetson, Chorley and Robbins.


NORTHERN IOWA.—The Rev. Messrs. Schrock, Foster and Hoffenbacker and the Rev. Dr. Tyndell.


OREGON.—The Rev. Messrs. Black, Chambers, Simmonds and Smith.

PENNSYLVANIA.—The Rev. Drs. Foley, Mockridge, Tomkinds and Peabody.

PITTSBURGH.—The Rev. Drs. Forkess, Meade and Shero and the Rev. Mr. Edwards.


SACRAMENTO.—The Rev. Messrs. Chester, Bartlam and Lee.


TENNESSEE.—The Rev. Mr. Pugh.

TEXAS.—The Rev. Messrs. Hart, Dandridge and Blaisdell and the Rev. Mr. Pugh.

UPPER SOUTH CAROLINA.—The Rev. Messrs. Butt, Murphy, Gibson and Cameron.


WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS.—The Rev. Messrs. Mott, Murray, Urban and Bennett.

WESTERN NEW YORK.—The Rev. Mr. Sanderson and the Rev. Drs. Jessup, Tyler and Bartlett.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA.—The Rev. Messrs. Rogers, Burke, Jahn and Stroup.

DOMESTIC MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

ALASKA.—The Rev. Mr. Rice.
EASTERN OREGON.—The Rev. Mr. Creasey.
HONOLULU.—The Rev. Mr. Kieb.
IDAHO.—The Rev. Mr. Rhea.
NEVADA.—The Rev. Mr. Hersey.
NEW MEXICO.—The Rev. Mr. Trowbridge.
NORTH DAKOTA.—The Rev. Mr. Harrington.
NORTH TEXAS.—The Rev. Mr. Gerhart.
OKLAHOMA.—The Rev. Mr. Eckel.
PANAMA CANAL ZONE.—The Rev. Mr. Cooper.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.—The Rev. Mr. Harvey.
PORTO RICO.—The Rev. Mr. Swinson.
SALINA.—The Rev. Mr. Munday.
SAN JOAQUIN.—The Rev. Mr. Patrick.
SOUTH DAKOTA.—The Rev. Mr. Woodruff.
SPOKANE.—The Rev. Mr. Boggess.
UTAH.—The Rev. Mr. Butcher.
WESTERN NEBRASKA.—The Rev. Mr. Lee.
WYOMING.—The Rev. Mr. Edwards.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

ANKING.—The Rev. Mr. Chen.
HANKOW.—The Rev. Dr. Sherman.
LIBERIA.—The Rev. Mr. Reed.
MEXICO.—The Rev. Mr. Salinas.
SHANGHAI.—The Rev. Dr. Pott.
TOHOKU.—The Rev. Mr. Howell.
AMERICAN CHURCHES IN EUROPE.—The Rev. Dr. Beekman.

LAY DEPUTIES

ALABAMA.—Messrs. Kilby and Cobb.
ALBANY.—Messrs. Shackelford, Conover, Raymond and Hopkins.
ARKANSAS.—Messrs. Fitzhugh and Maxwell.
BETHLEHEM.—Messrs. Mercur, Kingsbury, Hutchinson and Deemer.
CALIFORNIA.—Messrs. Montague, Lee, Noble.
CENTRAL NEW YORK.—Messrs. Behm, Boyer, Howes and Ogden.
CHICAGO.—Messrs. Rogerson, Mason, Barber and Pelham.
COLORADO.—Messrs. McLean, Johnson, Pensford and Grant.
CONNECTICUT.—Messrs. Mansfield, Arms, Reynolds and McCook.
DALLAS.—Messrs. Allison, O'Daniel and Beggs.
DELWARE.—Messrs. Elliott and Cook.
DULUTH.—Messrs. Paine and Gemmell.
EAST CAROLINA.—Messrs. Royall and Rountree.
EASTON.—Mr. Dashiel.
EAU CLAIRE.—Messrs. Moon, Rodman and Van Steenwyk.
Erie.—Mr. Shacklett.
Fond du Lac.—Messrs. Roddis, Witter and Pradt.
Georgia.—Messrs. Anderson and Setze.
Harrisburg.—Mr. Reynolds.
Indianapolis.—Messrs. McNutt, Morrison and Anderson.
Iowa.—Mr. Thompson.
Kansas.—Mr. Berry.
Kentucky.—Messrs. Robinson and Stansbury.
Lexington.—Messrs. Soaper and Fishe.
Long Island.—Messrs. Barnes, Gulden, Seymour and Baldwin.
Los Angeles.—Messrs. Gair, Thomas and Albee.
Louisiana.—Messrs. Percy, Hoppen and Gladney.
Marquette.—Messrs. McBean, Harris and Matheson.
Maryland.—Messrs. Gibson, Harlan, Boehm and Rich.
Massachusetts.—Messrs. Beale, Parker and Dallingcr.
Michigan.—Messrs. Paddock and Barbour.
Milwaukee.—Messrs. Edsall, Snowdon and Mason.
Minnesota.—Messrs. Lightner, Theopold, Foot and Van Derlip.
Mississippi.—Mr. Shields.
Missouri.—Messrs. Bull, Orcutt, Block and Shephey.
 Nebraska.—Messrs. Beck and McAuliffe.
Newark.—Messrs. Emery, Hulsart and Johnes.
New Hampshire.—Messrs. Woodworth and Davison.
New Jersey.—Messrs. Stroud, Whitemore and Stokes.
Northern Indiana.—Mr. Crandall.
Ohio.—Messrs. Blake and Goodbody.
Olympia.—Mr. Coffman.
Oregon.—Messrs. Glisan and Coles.
Pittsburgh.—Messrs. Lathwood and Hopke.
Quincy.—Mr. Lamp.
Rhode Island.—Messrs. MacDougall, Learned and Howe.
Sacramento.—Messrs. Denman and Stansbery.
South Carolina.—Mr. Lengnick.
Southern Ohio.—Messrs. Schoedinger and Patterson.
Southern Virginia.—Messrs. Mann, Darling, Townsend and Hodges.
Southwestern Virginia.—Messrs. Cocke, Macgill, Smith and King.
Springfield.—Messrs. Andre, Metz, Shultz and Spencer.
Tennessee.—Messrs. Patten, Finney, Crownover and French.
Texas.—Mr. Battle.
Vermont.—Mr. Congdon.
Virginia.—Messrs. Page, Williams and Taylor.
Washington.—Messrs. Nelson, Church, Howard and Robertson.
West Missouri.—Messrs. Ashley, Holt and Stowell.
West Texas.—Messrs. Steves and Glimpse.
West Virginia.—Messrs. Peterkin, Bias and Cargill.
Western Massachusetts.—Messrs. Spaulding, Simons, Cole and Rudderham.
Western Michigan.—Messrs. Dibble and Hooker.
Western New York.—Messrs. Baird and Brown.
Western North Carolina.—Mr. Smedberg.
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. Maxon of Michigan nominated the Rev. Dr. Powell of California. Many dioceses seconded the nomination.

Mr. Johnson of Colorado nominated the Rev. Dr. Phillips of Washington. Many dioceses seconded the nomination.

Nominations were closed and the Secretary appointed as Tellers the Rev. Dr. Flinchbaugh of Bethlehem, the Rev. Mr. Bennett of Montana, Mr. Johnson of Colorado and Mr. Nelson of Washington.

On the first ballot the tellers reported 493 votes cast, 270 for Dr. Phillips and 223 for Dr. Powell.

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 and carried. The Secretary declared the Rev. Dr. Phillips to have been unanimously elected and appointed the Rev. Dr. Maxon 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. Dr. Carroll M. Davis, and, there being no further nominations, the President declared Dr. Davis 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 Secretaries.

The President appointed Dr. Anderson of Georgia as Chairman of the Committee on Despatch of Business.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented 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. ZeBarney 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 Mr. Seymour of Long Island.

(Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No.1.)

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

Message No. 1.

First Day of Session, September 16, 1931.

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 Rev. Dr. Charles L. Pardee, of New York as Secretary, and that it is ready to proceed to business.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tempore.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

Message No. 2.

First Day of Session, September 16, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has appointed the Rev. Russell S. Hubbard of South Dakota as Official Messenger of the House of Bishops.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tempore.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the Order of Business for today which was approved:

1. Election of President.
2. Election of Secretary.
3. Committee to House of Bishops.
4. Appointment of Chairman of Committee on Despatch of Business.
5. Election of Treasurer.
7. Adjournment.

Dr. Anderson of the Joint ad interim Committee of the Two Houses on the Despatch of Business presented the following report:
The Joint ad interim Committee of the Two Houses on the Despatch of Business appointed by resolution of the last General Convention reports that it has approved the schedule for Joint Sessions proposed by the Joint Committee on Arrangements and submits the following resolutions:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Session of the Two Houses for Friday, September 18th, as provided in the Official Program of the Joint Committee on Arrangements for this Convention be and it is hereby approved and ordered.

Resolved further, That at this Joint Session the privileges of the floor shall be given to the Officers, Secretaries and Members of the National Council, to the Presidents of Church Colleges, to the Deans of Church Seminaries, and to the official delegates to the Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary.

(Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No.2.)

Dr. Anderson presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That until further ordered this House shall hold daily sessions, Sundays excepted, from ten A.M. to one P.M. and three P.M. to five P.M., provided that there shall be no afternoon sessions on Saturdays, unless especially ordered.

Resolved, That the privileges of the floor shall be given to the Officers, Secretaries and Members of the National Council, to the Presidents of Church Colleges, and to the Deans of Church Seminaries.

Dr. Mansfield of Connecticut presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Mr. Raymond F. Barnes be and he is hereby elected Treasurer of the General Convention.

(Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No.3.)

The Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York spoke of the death of Ex-Governor Manning of South Carolina and Judge Henry of Iowa, members of the House, and suggested that their deaths be included in the list of deceased members of this Convention. The Secretary was requested to send telegrams to each family expressing the sympathy of the House.

The House stood adjourned.

SECOND DAY

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL, SEPTEMBER 17, 1931.

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 President announced the appointment of the members of the Committee on Elections as follows:

Rev. Dr. Aigner of Erie, Rev. Mr. Biller of Duluth, Rev. Dr. Aucock of Rhode Island, Rev. Mr. Stoskopf of Chicago, Rev. Dr. Peabody of Pennsylvania, Rev. Dr. Brestell of New Jersey, Rev. Mr. Capers of West Texas, Mr. Ford of Ohio, Mr. Robinson of Kentucky, Mr. Gair of Los Angeles, Mr. Fitzhugh of Arkansas, Mr. Hooker of Western Michigan, Mr. Shepley of Missouri and Mr. Anderson of Honolulu.

Dr. Anderson, Chairman of the Committee on Despatch of Business, presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Order of Business for today immediately following this report shall be as follows:

2. Election of Treasurer of Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.
4. Final ratification of Amendments to the Constitution proposed and adopted at the last General Convention in Washington.
6. Introduction of Memorials and Petitions for reference to Committees or for Calendar.
7. Reports from General or Special Commissions or Committees.
8. Motions or Resolutions for reference to Committees or for Calendar.
9. No afternoon session today.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Secretaries of each House shall designate an Official Messenger or Messengers to provide for the prompt and regular transmission of the Official Messages between the Houses, and that the services of volunteers be secured by them for this purpose.

Mr. Russell Hume was appointed Official Messenger of the House.

(Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No.7.)

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Lewis B. Franklin, D.C.L., be and he is hereby elected Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

(Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No.4.)

The President appointed the Rev. Dr. Powell of California and Mr. Mansfield of Connecticut to escort the Lord Bishop of St. Alban's, England, to the platform who addressed the House. The President responded stating that the Lord Bishop of St. Alban's had won his way into the hearts of the members of this Convention.
The Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York presented the following resolution, which was seconded by the entire delegation from Tennessee and carried by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies congratulate the Beloved and Reverend Bishop of Tennessee, the Right Reverend Thomas Frank Gailor, on the completion of the seventy-fifth year of his earthly life. Many of these years he has spent in the service of this Church as Priest and Bishop. His kindliness and warmth of heart have endeared him to multitudes. His scholarship and his strong and fearless leadership have been of the greatest value to our Communion and we trust that God in his wisdom may grant him years of continued happiness, peace and joyous service here on earth.

The Secretary of the House presented the written evidence that he had complied with the requirements of Canon 51, Section I. [iv.].

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

Message No. 3, First Day of Session, Wednesday, September 16th, 1931.

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

WHEREAS, the present world situation is one that involves grave issues, affecting every phase of our individual and co-operative life:

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a joint committee, consisting of seven Bishops, seven Presbyters and seven Laymen be appointed, to which shall be presented for consideration the following major questions:

A. World Peace.
B. Industrial and Economic Dislocation.
C. Lawlessness and kindred subjects.

Said Committee shall report its findings and recommendations to General Convention during the present session.

The Chair has appointed on the part of this House: the Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of California, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop Coadjutor of Missouri, and the Bishop of Massachusetts.

Attest: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Temp.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Goodwin of Southern Virginia presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, the United States Yorktown Sesquicentennial Commission of the Congress has invited this Church, together with all other religious bodies in the United States to participate in the Sesquicentennial Celebration of the Victory of Yorktown, whereby our National Independence was secured, and has specifically suggested that on Sunday, October the 18th, 1931, prayers of thanksgiving be offered for the blessings of liberty, and for the kind Providence which has sought to guide this nation and people—
Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church hereby accepts, in the name of this Church, the invitation of the United States Yorktown Sesquicentennial Commission to participate spiritually in this National Celebration, and urge all the Churches and the people of our Communion and fellowship to observe Sunday, October 18th, 1931, in appropriate ways, to the end that our people may be made more deeply mindful and more deeply grateful of the blessings which have come to us from God through the sacrifice and devotion of our patriot forefathers.

(Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No.5.)

The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of New Jersey 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 shall be referred.

The President appointed, on the part of this House:
Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York, Rev. Mr. Way of Fond du Lac, Rev. Mr. Musson of Kentucky, Mr. Grant of Colorado, Mr. Hoppen of Louisiana and Mr. Albee of Los Angeles.

(Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No.13.)

The Rev. Dr. Powell, Chairman of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution at the last Convention, presented the amendments to the Constitution proposed at the Convention of 1928 and to be finally acted upon, as follows:

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."

Placed on the Calendar.

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."

A vote was taken by orders and the foregoing amendment was adopted by a vote of 73 in the Clerical order and 66 in the Lay order.

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."

A vote was taken by orders and the foregoing amendment was adopted by a vote of 73 in the Clerical order and 66 in the Lay order.

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.

A vote was taken by orders and the foregoing amendment was adopted by a vote of 60 in the Clerical order and 55 in the Lay order.

(Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No.6.)

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented resolutions and memorials to the General Convention which had been placed in the hands of the Secretary of the House as follows:

Resolutions from the National Council suggesting amendments to Canons 60, 61, 17 and 18, which were referred to the Committee on Canons.

Resolutions were received from the Dioceses of Chicago, West Texas, Ohio and the Province of the Pacific respectfully petitioning the General Convention to take action at its forthcoming meeting in 1931 designating the status of Deaconesses
in accordance with the declaration of the Lambeth Conference, which is as follows:

"The Lambeth Conference has reaffirmed the Resolution passed by the Lambeth Conference in 1920 to the effect that the Office of a Deaconess is primarily a ministry of succor, bodily and spiritual, especially to women, and should follow the lines of the primitive, rather than of the modern, Diaconate of men, and that the Ordination of a Deaconess should everywhere include prayer by the Bishop and the Laying on of Hands; the delivery of a New Testament to the Candidate, and a formula giving authority to execute the office of a Deaconess in the Church of God."

The foregoing matter was referred to the Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to Present Tasks of the Church.

Resolutions were received from the Dioceses of Chicago, Rhode Island, Springfield, Western Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, Central New York, Harrisburg, Ohio and West Texas, and the Province of the Pacific and the National Council respectfully petitioning the General Convention to take action at its 1931 meeting for the inauguration of an adequate pension system for the Deaconesses of our Church in accordance with the declaration of the Lambeth Conference that every stipendiary woman-worker is entitled to proper provision for a pension, which were referred to the Committee on Church Pension Fund.

Resolutions were received from the Diocese of Chicago, West Texas, Springfield, Tennessee, Central New York, Pittsburgh, Harrisburg, and Rhode Island memorializing the General Convention to amend Canon 44, § I., in such wise as to extend the application thereof to baptized members of this Church other than communicants, which were referred to the Committee on Canons.

A memorial concerning Slavery in Liberia was received from the Diocese of Chicago which was placed on the Calendar.

A resolution was received from the Diocese of Western Massachusetts that clergy be not authorized to remarry divorced persons under any circumstances, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A resolution was received from the Diocese of Michigan amending Canon 23, last clause, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A resolution was received from the Diocese of Ohio amending the report of the Committee on the Placement of Clergy
which was referred to the Committee on State of the Church and a copy was referred to the Commission on Ministry.

A Memorial on the Budget System was received from the Province of the Pacific which was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

A Memorial was received from the Province of the Pacific on Supplement to the Every Member Canvas to insure payment of full quota which was also referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

A resolution was received from the Diocese of Montana concerning appropriations in White Fields of Provinces VI, VII and VIII, which was placed on the Calendar.

A request from the United States Commission for the celebration of the 200th Anniversary of the birth of George Washington for endorsement of the celebration was received, also a resolution from Chauncey P. Overfield concerning the same matter, also a resolution from the National Council on the same matter, which were placed on the Calendar.

Application of William Montgomery Brown for restoration to the House of Bishops or for a review of his deposition by an ultimate Court of Appeal was received as information.

The Rev. Mr. Sanderson of Western New York presented a petition for consent of a division of the Diocese of Western New York and the creation of a new Diocese which, with the following resolution, was referred to the Committee on New Dioceses:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That General Convention approves the Petition of the Diocese of Western New York for a proposed division and the creation of a new Diocese to consist of the eight counties in the eastern portion of the present diocese as set forth in the petitioner's Memorial, viz.: Monroe, Livingston, Alleghany, Steuben, Schuyler, Yates, Ontario and Wayne.

The Rev. Dr. Beal of Los Angeles presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That this Convention memorialize the General Convention to amend Canon 44, Section 1., in such wise as to extend the application thereof to baptized members of this Church other than Communicants.

A Memorial concerning the same matter, amending Canon 44, § 1., was also presented by the Diocese of Atlanta, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A Memorial was received from the Diocese of Michigan asking that this Convention clarify Canon 23 by amending the
1907 proviso thereof, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of New Jersey presented a Joint Memorial for the proposed alteration of the boundary line of the Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey which was referred to the Committee on New Dioceses.

The Rev. Dr. Osgood of Minnesota presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program:

Resolved, That General Convention instructs the National Council to study its appropriations to Missionary Districts and to Aided Dioceses, with a view to providing, wherever expedient, the whole or a part of the salary of an educational missioner who shall, as directed by the proper authorities, assist the clergyman of the Diocese or District in solving their religious educational problems: provided that the selection of such missioner be first approved by the Department of Religious Education, to which Department the missioner shall render an annual report; and provided, further, that such salary or part-salary be charged against an item already contained in the budget of the National Council.

Mr. Beale of Massachusetts presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 7, be amended by adding thereto, at the end of Section VI. [i], the following:

"or (C) six Presbyters of the Church who have known the Candidate for the space of three years last past; or

(D) should the Candidate within the space of three years last past have been a Minister or Licentiate in some other body of Christians, by six Presbyters of the Church as to the period during which he has been a Candidate, and by eight adult male members in good standing of the denomination from which the Candidate came, as to the period, within the space of three years last past, before he became a Candidate."

The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of the Diocese of New Jersey presented the following invitation which was referred to the Joint Committee to recommend the place of meeting of the next General Convention:

To the House of Bishops and to the Clerical and Lay Deputies of the General Convention of 1931.

Brethren:

We are empowered by the Diocesan Convention of 1931 to extend a most cordial invitation for the General Convention of 1934 to meet within our borders.

In 1928 at Washington we gave notice of our desire to entertain the General Convention in 1934, and we now renew this invitation, and
are ready to present it to your Joint Committee to Recommend a Place of Meeting for the next General Convention.

Atlantic City, where we would propose to hold the Convention, is admirably adapted in every way for meeting the needs of the Convention. There are any number of Halls, some connected with the Hotels, and some in the Great Convention Building which has recently been erected, and the Hotels cannot be surpassed for offering accommodations at all rates.

The year 1934-1935 marks the Sesquicentennial of the organization of the Diocese of New Jersey, and we feel it would add very much to the Celebration of that event if the General Convention would accept this invitation and come to us.

The General Convention has not met within the Diocese of New Jersey since 1801, and we most earnestly ask the careful consideration by your Committee of this invitation.

Very respectfully yours,

R. Bowden Shepherd,
R. E. Brestell,
E. Vicars Stevenson,
Robert Williams,
William F. Stroud,
Clark McK. Whittemore,
E. C. Stokes.

The Rev. Mr. Patterson of Ohio presented the following invitation from the Diocese of Ohio, which was referred to the Joint Committee to recommend the place of meeting of the next General Convention:

To the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies:

Gentlemen:

The Delegation from the Diocese of Ohio unanimously present to you a most cordial invitation to hold the next Session of the General Convention and of the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in the City of Cleveland in the Diocese of Ohio.

In extending this invitation we are acting on a resolution unanimously adopted at our Diocesan Convention held last May.

Cleveland is well known as a Convention City having a fine municipal auditorium capable of housing all parts of the General Convention and the Woman's Auxiliary. Ample room would be provided for meetings of Committees and Commissions and the hotel accommodations are ample to care for all Deputies to the General Convention and the meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Respectfully submitted,

The Delegation from Ohio,

By Gerard F. Patterson.

Mr. Harlan of Maryland presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That an additional Canon be and the same is hereby adopted to be added to the Canons of the Church and appropriately numbered entitled Canonical Residence reading as follows:
A Bishop shall be regarded as having a canonical residence in the Diocese or Missionary District over which he has jurisdiction. Upon resigning his jurisdiction, he shall have a canonical residence in the Diocese or Missionary District where he has his domicile. If he acquire a domicile outside of any Diocese or Missionary District of this Church he shall be regarded as having canonical residence in the Diocese or Missionary District of this Church where he was last domiciled.

A Priest or Deacon shall be regarded as having a canonical residence in the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was recommended and accepted for ordination until he is transferred to another Diocese or Missionary District in accordance with Canons of this Church, and his Letters Dimissory have been accepted by the ecclesiastical authority of the Diocese or Missionary District to which he is transferred. When so accepted he shall have canonical residence in the Diocese or Missionary District to which he has been transferred until again so transferred by Letters Dimissory.

The laity shall be regarded as having canonical residence in the Diocese or Missionary District in which they actually reside and in some congregation of which they are enrolled as communicants.

The Rev. Dr. Sykes of the Diocese of West Texas presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That the Committee on Canons be requested to prepare a Canon defining what constitutes a Church family and report to this Convention.

Dr. Dibble of Western Michigan presented a resolution respecting the implication of the oath of allegiance and the obligations of citizenship, which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Thomas of Chicago presented an invitation from the Diocese of Chicago that the Fifty-second General Convention meet in Chicago in 1937 which the House ordered filed with the Secretary to be brought to the attention of the 1934 General Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Jones of Long Island presented the following preambles and resolution, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, It is 117 years since the Reverend Dr. Gadsden, later the fourth Bishop of South Carolina, offered the resolution in General Convention which brought the General Theological Seminary into being, and

WHEREAS, During that time, the Seminary has developed until under the present regime it has the strongest staff of Professors and the largest enrollment of students in its history and has evolved educational plans of the highest order, and

WHEREAS, The Joint Commission on the General Theological Seminary reports that $500,000 is the amount needed to complete the building and endowment fund asked for seven years ago.

Therefore, be it Resolved, That this Convention thank those who have so generously helped this cause and commends the General Theological Seminary to the prayers and support of the Faithful in
the hope and expectation that the required sum may be speedily raised.

Mr. Seymour of Long Island presented a Memorial from that Diocese that the General Convention consider and decide whether any certification made by the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer is lawful except only of said Standard Book, which was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 4.
Second Day of Session, Thursday, September 17th, 1931.

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 the American Churches in Europe be and is hereby discharged, and that the functions now performed by said Commission be transferred to the National Council.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

MESSAGE No. 5.
Second Day of Session, Thursday, September 17th, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs with the House of Deputies in the election of Mr. Raymond F. Barnes as Treasurer of the General Convention as contained in Message No. 3.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 6.
Second Day of Session, Thursday, September 17th, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs with the House of Deputies in the matter of the Joint Session on September 18, as contained in Message No. 2.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House stood adjourned at 12:40 P.M.

THIRD DAY

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL, SEPTEMBER 18, 1931.

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 Rev. Mr. Long of Duluth, the Rev. Messrs. Atwater and West of Kansas, the Rev. Mr. Savage of Quincy, the Rev. Dr. Berkeley of Southwestern Virginia, and Messrs. Bakewell of California, Edge of Lexington, Monten of Los Angeles, Pearse of New Jersey, Magill of Kansas, Butler of Texas and Sherriff of Pittsburgh.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the order for the day, which was accepted.

Dr. Anderson moved that the Secretary report the members of the National Council representing the eight Provinces. The Secretary reported as follows:

I, Bishop Sherrill; II, Mr. Kidde; III, Bishop Taitt; IV, Bishop Penick; V, Bishop Francis; VI, Dr. Knickerbocker; VII, Rev. Mr. Sprouse; and VIII, Bishop Sanford.

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 the Chairman the Rev. Dr. Aigner of Erie and Mr. Shepley of Missouri as its Secretary and that it has appointed an Executive Committee consisting of the Chairman, and the Rev. Dr. Brestell.

The Committee begs to report further that all of the Dioceses and all of the Domestic Missionary Districts and all of the Foreign Missionary Districts are represented in the House of Deputies, except the Districts of Haiti, Kyoto, North Tokyo and Southern Brazil.

The Committee begs to report further that the Rev. Mr. West of the Diocese of Kansas is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Nau, that Mr. Monten of the Diocese of Los Angeles is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of Mr. Cowles, that Mr. Edge of the Diocese of Lexington is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of Mr. Harbison, that Mr. Magill of the Diocese of Kansas is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of Mr. Gibbs, that the Rev. Mr. Savage of the Diocese of Quincy is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Maddox, that Mr. Bakewell of the Diocese of California is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of Mr. Crocker and that the Rev. Mr. Long of the Diocese of Duluth is entitled to serve as a Deputy to this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Hallett.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

No. 1 being taken from the Calendar, House of Bishops Message No. 3 requesting the appointment of a Commission to consider the question of World Peace, Industrial and Economic dislocation and Lawlessness, the motion to concur with the House of Bishops was adopted. The President appointed as members on the part of this House the following:

The Rev. Dr. Phillips of Upper South Carolina, the Rev. Dr. Goodwin of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. Clingman of Alabama, the Rev. Dr. Melish of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Woodroofe of Michigan, the
Rev. Dr. Blaisdell of Tennessee, the Rev. Dr. Tyler of Western New York, Mr. Harlan of Maryland, Mr. Patten of Tennessee, Mr. Moon of Iowa, Mr. Laflin of Milwaukee, Mr. Overfield of Utah, Mr. Bryan of Virginia, Mr. Brown of Pennsylvania.

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

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting 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:

The Rev. Dr. Thomas of Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Mockridge of Pennsylvania, Mr. Baker of New York, Mr. Elliott of East Carolina, Mr. Lee of California, Mr. Moon of Eau Claire.

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

Mr. Page of Virginia spoke of the absence of Mr. Frederic C. Morehouse of Milwaukee and of the great loss to the House in his wise counsel, and moved that the Secretary be instructed to send a message of sympathy to him in his illness and express the regret of the House at his absence, which was adopted by a rising vote.

The Rev. Mr. Lockhart of Louisiana moved that a similar message be sent to Dr. Warren Kearny of Louisiana which was adopted by a rising vote.

The Rev. Dr. Knickerbocker of Minnesota presented the following invitation which was referred to the Joint Committee to recommend the place of meeting of the next General Convention:

The Bishop and Directorate of the Diocese of Minnesota begs leave to present an invitation to the General Convention to hold its next meeting in the City of Minneapolis in 1934.

Mr. Wickersham of New York presented the following amendment to Canon 46 which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Amend Canon 46 § I. by inserting at the end thereof the words "and the only book of public worship of use in this Church."

The Rev. Dr. Milton of East Carolina presented the following resolution, which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That all reports of Joint Commission and Committees of General Convention shall be submitted to the Presiding Bishop within three months prior to the
convening of General Convention, and that the Presiding Bishop be requested, when not incompatible with the interests of the Church, to have these reports made public exclusively through the Publicity Department, it being understood that the acts and reports of these Commissions shall be held as confidential until they have been given to the public in the manner herewith specified.

The Rev. Dr. Stalker of Ohio moved that a message of sympathy and regret be sent to Mr. Samuel Mather of Ohio.

The Rev. Mr. Atkins of Harrisburg moved that a similar message be sent to Mr. Clements of Harrisburg.

The Rev. Dr. Davidson of Los Angeles moved that a similar message be sent to Dr. Cowles of Los Angeles.

Mr. Monteagle of California moved that a similar message be sent to Mr. Crocker of California.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia moved that a similar message be sent to the Very Rev. Mr. Green of Virginia.

All of the foregoing motions were adopted by a rising vote.

The Rev. Dr. Clingman of Alabama presented the following canonical request from the Diocese of Alabama which was referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops:

**Canonical Request from the Diocese of Alabama**

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, assembled at Denver, Colorado, September 16, 1931.

The One Hundredth Council of the Diocese of Alabama, in accordance with a resolution passed unanimously on January 26, 1931, in its session at Christ Church, Mobile, Alabama, asks the consent of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, acting through its General Convention, to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor for the Diocese of Alabama.

The Resolution of the Council, which will be found on page 35 of the Journal of the One Hundredth Council of the Diocese of Alabama, is as follows:

"Whereas, The Bishop of the Diocese has given notice that he expects at the next Diocesan Council to ask for additional executive help and has stated that he leaves to the Council's judgment the form such additional executive help should take;

"Therefore, be it Resolved, That it is the judgment of this Council that the Bishop should request the election of a Bishop Coadjutor so soon as he shall deem it advisable.

"Be it further Resolved, That this 100th Annual Council of the Diocese of Alabama, in regular session in Mobile, Alabama, on January 26, 1931, hereby asks the consent of General Convention, at its session to be held in Denver, Colorado, in September, 1931, to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor by and for the said Diocese of Alabama for the
reason of extent of Diocesan work, in accordance with Canon 13 § II., of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

Copies of this petition are herewith transmitted to the Secretary of the House of Bishops and to the Secretary of the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, with the request that they be brought to the official notice of the two Houses for their action thereon.

Signed for the Council:
W. G. McDowell, President.
J. M. Stony, Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Slack of Louisiana presented the Report of the Recorder of Ordinations which was received by the House. (Appendix VIII.)

Dr. Aigner of Erie presented the Report of the Committee to which was referred the report of the Joint Commission on Provinces and all other Matters Pertaining Thereto; which was placed on the Calendar. (Appendix XIII.)

The Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts, (Appendix XX.) which was placed on the Calendar.

A Memorial was presented from the Free and Open Church Association which was referred to the Committee on the State of the Church.

The following communication was received from the Seamen's Church Institute of Newport, which was placed on the Calendar:

To the Chairman of the Committee

My Dear Sir:
At a regular meeting of the Board of Managers of the Seamen's Church Institute of Newport held this day I was instructed to ask through you that the Convention investigate the organization of the Seamen's Church Institute of America and its affiliated branches.

Very truly yours,
Seamen's Church Institute of Newport,
R. W. Magoun, Superintendent.

The Rev. Dr. Grant of Chicago presented the following report on the Changes in the Canons proposed by the Commission on the Ministry, which was referred to the Committee on Canons. (Appendix XIX.)

The Rev. Mr. Wragg of Atlanta moved that a message of sympathy and regret be sent to Col. Z. D. Harrison, long a member of the House, which was adopted by a rising vote.
The Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago presented the following proposed amendments to Canon 43, which were referred to the Committee on Canons:

Amend Canon 43, § III., by striking out all that follows the words, "For any cause arising after marriage."

Proposed new § IV.

The following are declared to be impediments to a valid marriage.

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood) within the following degrees:
   a. One may not marry his ascendant or descendant.
   b. One may not marry his sister.
   c. One may not marry the sister or brother of his ascendant or the descendant of his brother or sister.

2. Lack of free consent of either party.

3. Lack of honest intention of either party.

4. Mistake as to the identity of either party.

5. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exercise of intelligent choice.

6. Insanity of either party.

7. Failure of either party to have reached the age of puberty.

8. Impotence of either party.

9. The existence of venereal disease in either party.

10. If any one of such impediments exists at the time of a marriage and a divorce or nullification is obtained in a Civil Court, a Minister may refer the case to the Bishop for his judgment, who having taken legal advice thereon and being satisfied of the facts in the case, may declare such marriage null and void.

If there be no Bishop the Standing Committee of a Diocese, or the Council of Advice of a Missionary District, may request the Bishop acting as President of the Province in which such Diocese or Missionary District is located, to give judgment in the case.

Renumber § IV. to be § V.

The House stood adjourned at 11:00 to go into Joint Session.

FOURTH DAY

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL, SEPTEMBER 19, 1931.

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 Deputies not before present, appeared and took their seats:

The Rev. Mr. Walton of Marquette, the Rev. Mr. Gray of Mississippi, the Rev. Mr. Phillips of Upper South Carolina, the Rev. Dr. Johnston of Washington and Messrs. Booth of Michigan, Mantz of West Missouri, Gillespie and Gish of West Texas and Laflin of Milwaukee.
The President called the attention of the House to Rule 7 of the Rules of Order of the House of Deputies on page 522 of the last Journal, and announced the appointment of these committees as follows:

I.—On the State of the Church
Rev. Dr. Acnock of Rhode Island, Rev. Mr. Ashley of Vermont, Mr. F. W. Dallinger of Massachusetts, Rev. Dr. Brestell of New Jersey, Very Rev. Arthur Dumper of Newark, Mr. Baldwin of Long Island, Rev. Dr. Diller of Bethlehem, Rev. Mr. Gilson of Easton, Mr. Hodges of Southern Virginia, Rev. Mr. Lockhart of Louisiana, Rev. Dr. Capers of Mississippi, Mr. Andrews of North Carolina, Rev. Dr. Thomas of Chicago, Rev. Mr. Hopkins of Fond du Lac, Mr. Spencer of Springfield, Rev. Mr. Atwill of Minnesota, Rev. Mr. Benjamin of Colorado, Mr. Williamsen of Wyoming, Rev. Dr. Sykes of West Texas, Rev. Mr. Collins of Arkansas, Mr. Holt of West Missouri, Rev. Mr. Boggess of Spokane, Rev. Mr. Kieb of Honolulu, Mr. Denman of Sacramento, Mr. Adams of Mexico, Rev. Mr. Chen of Anking, Rev. Dr. Beekman of Paris.

II.—On the General Theological Seminary
Rev. Mr. Niles of New Hampshire, Rev. Dr. Knickerbocker of Minnesota, Rev. Dr. Jones of Long Island, Rev. Dr. Grant of Chicago, Rev. Dr. Murray Bartlett of W. N. Y., Rev. Mr. Essex of Quincy, Rev. Dr. Learned of Los Angeles, Rev. Mr. Bennett of Harrisburg, Mr. Lathwood of Pittsburgh, Mr. Ashley of West Missouri, Mr. Gilson of Oregon, Mr. Finney of Tennessee, Mr. Philip W. Simons of Western Mass.

III.—Missions
Rev. Dr. Allen of California, Rev. Mr. Whitmore of Milwaukee, Rev. Mr. Wragg of Atlanta, Rev. Mr. Rice of Alaska, Rev. Mr. Presssey of Maine, Very Rev. Dr. Diller of Bethlehem, Very Rev. Dr. Woodruff of South Dakota, Mr. Steves of West Texas, Col. James Mann of Southern Virginia, Mr. Stroud of New Jersey, Mr. Patterson of Southern Ohio, Mr. Pratt of Oklahoma, Mr. Mecquill of Southwestern Virginia.

IV.—On Admission of New Dioceses
Rev. Dr. Milton of East Carolina, Rev. Mr. Henstridge of Central New York, Rev. Dr. Osgood of Minnesota, Rev. Dr. Byrer of Southern Ohio, Rev. Mr. Middleton of Florida, Rev. Dr. Smith of Washington, Rev. Mr. Taylor of Upper South Carolina, Mr. Elliott of Delaware, Mr. Leonard of Arizona, Mr. Smith of North Texas, Mr. Spaulding of Western Massachusetts, Mr. Edsall of Milwaukee, Mr. Davison of New Hampshire.

V.—On the Consecration of Bishops
Rev. Mr. Shepherd of New Jersey, Rev. Mr. Way of Fond du Lac, Rev. Mr. Lawrence of Georgia, Rev. Dr. Davidson of Los Angeles, Very Rev. Mr. Day of Kansas, Rev. Mr. Barnes of Los Angeles, Rev. Mr. Patterson of Maine, Very Rev. Mr. McGinley of Nebraska, Mr. Page of Virginia, Mr. Ogden of Central New York, Mr. Moon of Eau Claire, Mr. Paine of Duluth, Mr. Mercur of Bethlehem, Mr. Dashiel of Easton.

VI.—On Amendments to the Constitution
Rev. Dr. Powell of California, Rev. Dr. Covington of Southern Virginia, Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York, Rev. Mr. Purdy of Albany, Rev.
Dr. Hadley of Central New York, Dr. Mansfield of Connecticut, Mr. Battle of Texas, Mr. Block of Missouri, Mr. Van Derlip of Minnesota, Mr. Beale of Massachusetts, Mr. Patten of Tennessee, Mr. Mason of Chicago, Mr. Boehm of Maryland.

VI.—On Canons
Rev. Dr. Maxon of Michigan, Rev. Dr. White of Ohio, Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York, Rev. Mr. Slack of Louisiana, Very Rev. Dr. Beal of Los Angeles, Rev. Mr. Eckel Jr. of Oklahoma, Mr. Lightner of Minnesota, Mr. Parker of Massachusetts, Mr. Seymour of Long Island, Mr. Wickersham of New York, Mr. Paddock of Michigan, Mr. Gibson of Maryland, Mr. Peterkin of West Virginia.

VIII.—On Unfinished Business
Rev. Dr. Walkley of Newark, Rev. Mr. Berkeley of Southwestern Va., Rev. Mr. Stoney of Alabama, Rev. Mr. Mook of Olympia, Rev. Mr. Will of Lexington, Rev. Mr. Wood of Dallas, Mr. Learned of Rhode Island, Mr. Haskins of Montana, Mr. Crandall of Northern Indiana, Mr. Reynolds of Harrisburg, Mr. Congdon of Vermont, Mr. Percy of Louisiana, Mr. Matheson of Marquette.

IX.—On Elections
Rev. Dr. Aigner of Erie, Rev. Mr. Biller of Duluth, Rev. Dr. Aucock of Rhode Island, Rev. Wm. B. Stoskopf of Chicago, Rev. Malcolm E. Peabody of Pennsylvania, Rev. Dr. Brestell of New Jersey, Rev. Samuel Capers of West Texas, Mr. John W. Ford of Ohio, Mr. Robinson of Kentucky, Mr. Gair of Los Angeles, Mr. Fitzhugh of Arkansas, Mr. Hooker of West Michigan, Mr. Shepley of Missouri, Mr. Anderson of Honolulu.

X.—On Prayer Book
Rev. Dr. Silver of New York, Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia, Rev. Mr. Fitts of Massachusetts, Rev. Dr. Starr of South Carolina, Rev. Dr. Stalker of Ohio, Rev. Mr. Butler of Minnesota, Rev. Mr. Murphy of Texas, Mr. Thorne of New York, Mr. Page of Virginia, Mr. Brown of Pennsylvania, Mr. Coffman of Olympia, Mr. Thompson of Iowa, Mr. Arms of Connecticut.

XI.—On Christian Education
Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, Rev. Dr. Sill of Connecticut, Rev. Dr. Wright of Georgia, Rev. Mr. Black of Oregon, Rev. Dr. Flinchbaugh of Bethlehem, Rev. Dr. Washburn of Massachusetts, Rev. Mr. Trelease of West Missouri, Mr. Theopolis of Minnesota, Mr. Ogden of Central New York, Dr. Dibble of Western Michigan, Mr. Johnson of Colorado, Mr. Robinson of Kentucky, Mr. Noble of California.

XII.—On Social Service
Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania, Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio, Rev. Dr. Melish of Long Island, Rev. Dr. Tyler of Western New York, Rev. Dr. Clingman of Alabama, Rev. Dr. Porter of California, Rev. Mr. Groton of Massachusetts, Rev. Mr. Gravatt of Southwestern Va., Mr. Shacklett of Erie, Mr. Gemmell of Duluth, Mr. Shields of Mississippi, Mr. Fitzhugh of Arkansas, Mr. Baird of Western New York.

XIII.—On Memorial of Deceased Members
Rev. Mr. Stowell of Arkansas, Rev. Dr. Capers of Mississippi, Rev. Mr. Kreitler of Bethlehem, Rev. Mr. Thompson of Delaware, Rev. Mr.
Phillips of South Florida, Rev. Mr. Haughton of Springfield, Rev. Mr. White of Newark, Rev. Mr. Attridge of Marquette, Mr. Brown of Western New York, Mr. Sherriff of Pittsburgh, Mr. Whaley of South Carolina, Mr. Swain of South Dakota, Mr. MacDougall of Rhode Island.

XIV.—On Church Pension Fund

Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio, Rev. Mr. Dagwell of Colorado, Rev. Dr. Hadley of Central New York, Rev. Dr. Dudley of Washington, Rev. Dr. MacMillan of Bethlehem, Rev. Mr. Hughes of Rhode Island, Mr. Stansbury of Kentucky, Mr. Williams of Virginia, Mr. Lee of California, Mr. Bull of Missouri, Mr. Goodbody of Ohio, Mr. Beck of Nebraska, Mr. Emery of Newark.

XV.—On Rules of Order

President of the House Dr. Anderson of Georgia, Rev. Dr. Kin-solving of Maryland, Mr. Bonsall of Pennsylvania, Mr. Van Derlip of Minnesota, Mr. Wickersham of New York.

XVI.—On Expenses

Dr. Mansfield of Connecticut, Rev. Dr. Drain of East Carolina, Mr. Baker of New York, Mr. Theopold of Minnesota, Mr. Montegale of California, Mr. Courtney Barber of Chicago, Mr. Bonsall of Pennsylvania, Mr. Overfield of Utah, Mr. Stowell of West Missouri, Mr. McBean of Marquette, Mr. Johnson of Colorado, Mr. Shackelford of Albany, Mr. Gulden of Long Island.

XVII.—Rural Work

Rev. Dr. Gass of West Virginia, Rev. Mr. Berkeley of Southwestern Va., Rev. Mr. Bull of South Carolina, Mr. Woodworth of New Hampshire, Mr. Berry of Kansas, Mr. Mathis of Nevada.

XVIII.—On Despatch of Business

Dr. Anderson of Georgia, Rev. Dr. Jessup of Western New York, Mr. Harlan of Maryland, Mr. Mason of Chicago.

XIX.—On Evangelism

Rev. Dr. Davidson of Los Angeles, Rev. Mr. Dagwell of Colorado, Rev. Dr. Milton of East Carolina, Rev. Mr. Lewis of Montana, Rev. Mr. DeWolfe of West Missouri, Rev. Dr. Lawrence of Rhode Island, Rev. Mr. Carpenter of Georgia, Mr. Pelham of Chicago, Mr. Peterkin of West Virginia, Mr. Howard of Washington, Mr. Bakewell of California, Mr. Balthis of Western N.C., Mr. Pearse of New Jersey.

Dr. 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 Special or Joint Commission and Committees.
2. Petitions and Memorials.
4. Item on Calendar (House of Bishops' Message No. 4.).
5. Item 7 on Calendar (Bi-Centennial of George Washington).
6. Motions and Resolutions,
Mr. Beale of Massachusetts presented the report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce which was placed on the Calendar. (Appendix XI.)

The Rev. Dr. Gass of West Virginia presented the report of the Joint Commission on Rural Work which was referred to the Committee on Rural Work. (Appendix XXII.)

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

**Report No. 2.** The Committee on Elections begs to report that Mr. Fish of the Diocese of West Texas elected as an Alternate Deputy is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Stribling; that Mr. Gillespie of West Texas elected as an Alternate Deputy is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Coopwood; that Mr. Booth of the Diocese of Michigan elected as an Alternate Deputy is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. Hendrie; that Mr. Mantz of the Diocese of West Missouri, elected as an Alternate Deputy is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Howard; and that the Rev. Mr. Gray of the Diocese of Mississippi elected as an Alternate Deputy is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Sessions.

_Martin Aigner, Chairman._

Mr. Page of Virginia presented a Memorial from the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church, Alexandria, protesting against the sanction of a proposed resolution prohibiting Episcopal chaplain service in army or navy in case of war, which was placed on the Calendar.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented a communication from the World Alliance for International Friendship Through the Churches asking for a resolution approving the place utterances of President Hoover which was referred to the Joint Committee for consideration of the questions of World Peace, Industrial and Economic Dislocation, etc.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the Journal of Calendar Reform which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented an invitation from the Managing Director of the Mount Royal Hotel asking that the next General Convention meet in Montreal. The Secretary was instructed to reply to this invitation thanking him but stating that the General Convention cannot meet outside the United States.

* The same gentleman of the same Committee presented a communication from The Assembly of Peace, Los Angeles,
California, which was referred to the Joint Committee to consider the questions of World Peace, etc.

The Rev. Mr. Lockhart of Louisiana presented a petition from the Diocese of Louisiana asking that the Church Pension Fund consider the payment of pensions to all clergy on reaching the age of retirement which was referred to the Committee on Church Pension Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That Canon 43, be amended by striking out all of § III., after the phrase "divorced for any cause arising after marriage," in line five, and by striking out § IV.

The Canon thus amended will include § I., § II. [i.] and [ii.], and § III., through the phrase "divorced for any cause arising after marriage," in line five of the said section.

§ III. as amended will read:

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.

The Rev. Mr. Slack of Louisiana presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That Canon 14, § V. [ii.], lines 6 and 7 be amended by adding after the words "Bishop of this Church" the following—"who has a seat and vote in the House of Bishops."

The Rev. Dr. Powell of California presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 9, § I. [i.] be amended by adding in line four after the word "Coadjutor," the words, "or by a Bishop Suffragan when requested by the Bishop of a Diocese."

The Rev. Mr. Gomph of Newark presented a petition asking that the Church Pension Fund consider the possibility of extending the benefits of the Fund to the dependent surviving members of the immediate families of unmarried clergymen of the Church which was referred to the Committee on Church Pension Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Plumb of Connecticut presented the request for ordination and consecration of the Rev. Frederick G. Budlong, S.T.D., as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Connecticut which was referred to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.
The Rev. Dr. Brown of Southern Virginia presented a petition from the vestry of St. John's Church, Halifax, Virginia, regarding the use of the so-called "American Missal" which was referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 7.** Second Day of Session, September 17, 1931.

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, in the election of Lewis B. Franklin, D.C.L., as Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

**MESSAGE No. 8.** Second Day of Session, September 17, 1931.

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

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

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

**MESSAGE No. 9.** Second Day of Session, September 17, 1931.

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 Joint Committee, appointed by Resolution No. 9, of the Report of the Committee on Budget and Program, adopted by the Convention of 1928, be accepted; and the Committee be, and hereby is, discharged.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

**MESSAGE No. 10.** Second Day of Session, September 17, 1931.

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 Joint Committee on Adjustment of Quotas, as appointed by the General Convention in 1928, by action of the House of Deputies, contained in Message No. 122 be accepted; and the Committee be, and hereby is, discharged.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 9.]
MESSAGE No. 11. Third Day of Session, September 18, 1931.

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, relative to the appointment of official messengers of the Houses.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 12. Third Day of Session, September 18, 1931.

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

Resolved, That this House requests the House of Deputies to appoint five Presbyters and five Laymen to the Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop, thus constituting a Joint Committee of fifteen on this subject. The House of Bishops would explain that its committee consisting of:

The Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of Tennessee, the Bishop of Michigan and Bishop Vincent:

was appointed at a special meeting and that this is the first occasion when it has been possible to ask for such enlargement for joint presentation of this matter to both Houses.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The President appointed as Members on the part of this House:

Rev. Dr. Powell of California, Rev. Dr. White of Ohio, Rev. Mr. Hughes of Rhode Island, Rev. Mr. Barber of Georgia, Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago, Mr. Parker of Massachusetts, Mr. Nelson of Washington, Mr. Taylor of Virginia, Mr. Thorne of New York and Mr. Lightner of Minnesota.

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

No. 7 being taken from the Calendar, resolutions on the two hundredth Anniversary of the birth of George Washington, Mr. Overfield, who had presented one of the resolutions on this subject, asked that the resolution presented by the National Council which included all he desired in his resolution be the one considered. After amendments by Mr. Sayre, the following resolutions submitted by the National Council were adopted:

WHEREAS: The year nineteen hundred and thirty-two will witness the nation-wide celebration of the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of the first President of the United States of America, General George Washington, himself a member of our Church.

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America in general convention assembled, sympathetically and heartily endorse the great and patriotic movement sponsored by Congress and now being actively developed by the United States George Washington Bi-
centennial Commission and the various State Commissions looking
toward the proper homage and tribute due the memory of the im­
mortal Washington and pledges its fullest support to the celebration
from its commencement February 22, 1932, until its termination on
Thanksgiving Day, November 24, 1932, and

Be it further Resolved, That General Convention authorizes and di­
rects the National Council to take such steps as shall adequately call
this bi-centenary celebration to the attention of the whole Church and
adopt such other plans as may seem wise and necessary.

Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution signed by the Presiding
Bishop of the Church and by the President of the House of Deputies
be forwarded to the Chairman of the National George Washington
Bi-centennial Commission, the President of the United States.

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

The Rev. Dr. Capers of Mississippi presented the following
resolution which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Section IV. of
Canon 43, be stricken from the Canon, so that said Canon will con­
clude with the following paragraph:

"Provided further, That it shall be within the discretion of any min­
ister to decline to solemnize any marriage."

The House stood adjourned at eleven o'clock.

FIFTH DAY

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL,

SEPTEMBER 21, 1931.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in
the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the Fourth Day
were read and approved.

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and
took their seats:

Messrs. Horth of Nebraska, Seaman of Delaware, Hartman of Har­
risbury, Selden of Erie, Elliott of East Carolina, Bryan of Virginia,
James of Arkansas, Hullihan of Delaware, Gardiner of Maine and
Ford of Ohio.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business
presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved: 1. That all reports from the Joint Committee on Budget
and Program shall have right of way over all other business, and may
be called up at any time by the Chairman of the Committee on De­
spatch of Business. All individual speeches on these reports, or sec-
nons thereof, shall be limited to five (5) minutes, except as to the Spokesman for the Committee in presenting the items and in closing the debate.

2. That beginning with today and until further ordered the afternoon sessions of the House shall be from three (3) to six (6) P.M., and that an afternoon session shall be held on Saturday, September 26th instant.

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 or from Joint Commissions and Committees.
3. Petitions and Memorials for reference or to be placed on Calendar.
4. House of Bishops Message No. 4 on discharge of Joint Commission on American Churches in Europe.
7. Report of World's Calendar Association on Calendar Reform.
8. Individual Motions and Resolutions.

No. 6 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution, from the Diocese of Montana, concerning appropriations in white fields of Provinces VI, VII, and VIII, was referred to the National Council.

No. 8 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Milton that all reports of Joint Commissions and Committees submit reports to the Presiding Bishop within three months prior to General Convention and publicity be submitted through the Publicity Department, was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

No. 11 being taken from the Calendar, the request of the Seamen's Church Institute of Newport that this Convention investigate the organization of the Seamen's Church Institute of America and its Branches was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

No. 9 being taken from the Calendar, the Report of the Committee to which was referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces was referred to the Committee on Canons.

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. Page of Virginia as Secretary.

R. Bowden Shepherd, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented:

Report No. 1. The Members appointed by the President of the House of Deputies to the Committee on Canons met in the Committee on Canons Room, Scottish Rite Cathedral, on Saturday, September 19, 1931, and organized by the election of the Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Diocese of Michigan, as Chairman, and the Rev. Dr. White of the Diocese of Ohio, as Secretary.

The Committee also noted with deep regret that since our last meeting we had lost from our membership the Hon. R. I. Manning, of Upper South Carolina, for many years a member of the General Convention.

W. D. Maxon, Chairman.

Report No. 2. Your Committee to which was referred a resolution submitted by Mr. Sykes, of West Texas, that the Committee on Canons be requested to prepare a Canon defining what constitutes a Church family, and report to this Convention, begs leave to report that it has considered the same, and has come to the conclusion that it is inexpedient at this time to attempt such definition and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

W. D. Maxon, Chairman.

The resolution of the Committee was adopted.

Report No. 3. Your Committee, to which was referred a resolution asking that Canon 14, § V. [ii.], referring to the Election of Missionary Bishops during recess, lines 6 and 7, be amended by adding after the words "Bishop of this Church” the following—"who has a seat and vote in the House of Bishops,” reports that it has considered and approved the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 14, § V, [ii.], be amended by adding after the words "Bishop of this Church" the following "who has a seat and vote in the House of Bishops,” so that the article as amended reads:

[ii.] If the said election have taken place more than three months before a meeting of the General Convention, the above process, viz.: The Standing Committee of the Diocese electing shall give duly certified evidence of the election to every Bishop of this Church, 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 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.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The foregoing Report was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. 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. Dr. Diller, Diocese of Bethlehem, Chairman and the Rev. Dr. Capers, of the Diocese of Mississippi, Secretary.

REPORT No. 2. The Committee on the State of the Church, to which was referred certain resolutions from the Diocese of Ohio, would report that it has considered the same and would recommend that those resolutions pertaining to the amendment of the Report of Commission on the Placement of the Clergy be referred to that Commission and that those resolutions pertaining to the pensioning of Deaconesses be referred to the Committee on the Church Pension Fund.

HOWARD W. DILLER, Chairman.

The recommendations contained in the foregoing Report were adopted.

REPORT No. 3. The Committee on the State of the Church to which was referred the resolution of the Free and Open Church Association begs leave to report that it has considered this resolution and would recommend its adoption:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention express its approval of the Free and Open Church Association and urges in those parishes now renting pews to consider earnestly the possibility of making their Churches free and open to all people as a memorial of gratitude to Almighty God for his blessing on one hundred and fifty years existence of an Independent Branch of Christ's Holy Church.

HOWARD W. DILLER, Chairman.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

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

Mr. Thorne of New York presented the Report of the National Commission on Evangelism which was placed on the Calendar and that part pertaining to the budget was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program. (Appendix XXI.)

Mr. Seymour of Long Island presented the Report of the Commission appointed at the General Convention held in the City of New Orleans, La., 1925, "for the purpose of considering the procedure provided in the Canons for the trial and sen-
tence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons, with a view to clarifying and simplifying the same, and of reporting to the next General Convention such changes and amendments to the Canons as they may deem desirable" which was referred to the Committee on Canons. (Appendix XIV.)

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania presented the Report of the Joint Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order which was placed on the Calendar. (Appendix XVI.)

The same gentleman presented the Fourth Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music which was placed on the Calendar. (Appendix XII.)

The Rev. Mr. Way of Fond du Lac presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Permanent Location of National Headquarters which was placed on the Calendar.

No. 4 being taken from the Calendar, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 4, recommending that the Joint Commission on American Churches in Europe be discharged.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 19].

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:


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, relative to the Yorktown Sesquicentennial.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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, and has adopted by a Constitutional majority the amendments to the Constitution, namely Art. I, Sec. 3; Art. I, Sec. 4; Art. X as proposed in the last General Convention.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 15. Fourth Day of Session, September 19, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That in accordance with the provisions of Canon XVII, § 1., a Joint Nominating Committee be appointed to present to this House the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop.
On this Committee representing the House of Bishops, the Chair appointed the President of each Province, or in his absence, the Senior Bishop of the Province.

Attest: John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message and the President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York, the Rev. Dr. Drane of East Carolina, the Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, the Rev. Mr. Collins of Arkansas, Mr. Monteagle of California, Mr. Beale of Massachusetts, Mr. Lightner of Minnesota and Mr. Barber of Chicago.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 16.]

No. 10 being taken from the Calendar, the following resolution attached to the Report of the Joint Commission on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts was adopted.

Resolved, the House of Bishops 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 Bishops by Message No. 18.]

No. 13 being taken from the Calendar, the correspondence referring to the Journal of Calendar Reform was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

Mr. Booth of the Diocese of Michigan presented the following resolution which was placed on the Calendar.

Whereas, We believe God does not willingly afflict the children of men and hold it our bounden duty to leave a more noble heritage than was bequeathed to us,

Be it Resolved, That this Convention approves, and does hereby urge the bringing into effect, of laws compelling the sterilization of all criminals, insane persons and those seriously defective in mind.

The Rev. Mr. Cooper of the Panama Canal Zone presented the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, That this House through its President express our deepest sympathy to the Bishop of British Honduras for the disaster of the hurricane of recent date.

The Rev. Mr. Burke of Arkansas presented the following resolution which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, That the Church Flag and the United States Flag be placed on the stage of this house during the sessions.

The Rev. Dr. Dudley of Washington presented the following resolution on the Christian Sabbath and the Lord's Day Alliance which was referred to the Committee on Social Service:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in view of the persistent attempts of certain business enterprises of great financial influence, especially chain motion picture companies and sports organizations, to make the Christian Sabbath a profit-making day, irrespective of State Sunday laws, prohibiting the same, and of their repeated efforts to break down the present civil safeguards of Sunday, this General Convention vigorously opposes such actions and inroads on the Lord's Day, commends the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States and its auxiliaries for their vigilance and their opposition to these serious menaces to the day and its purposes, and again calls upon our Churches and their members to exert their moral influence for a better observance of the Lord's Day.

The Rev. Dr. Mayo of Virginia presented the following resolution which was referred to the Commission on Evangelism:

WHEREAS, There is much unrest and suffering among the people of the world today and believing that Jesus Christ is the only way, the truth and the life,

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the two weeks preceding next Easter be set aside by our Church as a time for special penitence, prayer, praise and preaching and that all who name Jesus Christ as Master and Saviour be asked to join in a simultaneous observance of this period in such way and manner as they individually, collectively or jointly decide upon, and

Resolved further, That the Commission on Evangelism be requested to carry out the purpose of this resolution.

The Rev. Dr. Jones of Long Island presented the following which was adopted by a rising vote.

Today, September 21, in the year of our Lord the Nineteen Hundred and Thirty-first, is Yom Kippur, or the Day of Atonement, of the year Fifty-six Hundred and Ninety-two in the Hebrew Calendar.

To our brethren of the House of Israel we send fraternal greetings and good wishes of peace. We note with admiration that in their plans for the celebration of this sacred season special efforts have been made to provide for Jewish sufferers in eastern and central Europe. We rejoice also that by hard work and mature thinking they are meeting their needs in this country and are ever eager to reinforce their lives by accepting the great moral standards which are common to Judaism and Christianity.

It is our earnest hope that Jew and Christian may continue to grow in mutual tolerance, understanding and charity.

Mr. Monten of Los Angeles presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Committee on National and World Problems:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention does hereby earnestly request the national and state authorities forthwith to initiate and with all reasonable haste to enter upon, the construction of needed and highly useful public works, and in conjunction with the railways the elimination of highway crossings at grade, and to pledge the public credit therefor when necessary, and to arrange for the times and places and amounts and durations thereof
which will sufficiently reduce the present excessive unemployment in the United States.

The Rev. Dr. Beekman of the American Churches in Europe presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

WHEREAS, The work of the American Churches in Europe deals almost exclusively with the care of American citizens,

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the American Churches in Europe be classified with the Domestic rather than with the Foreign Missionary field as now.

The Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York presented the following resolution which was placed on the Calendar:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen be appointed to consider the desirability and feasibility of publishing a quarterly Historical Magazine for this Church.

No. 19 being taken from the Calendar, the Report of the Joint Commission of Church Music was received and the House concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 8 concerning the same subject.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 17.]

No. 3 being taken from the Calendar, it was moved that Dr. Dibble's resolution respecting the implications of the oath of allegiance and the obligations of citizenship be laid on the table, which was done by a vote of 305 to 165. A resolution to reconsider was lost by a vote of 193 to 252.

No. 5 being taken from the Calendar it was moved that the Memorial from the Diocese of Chicago on Slavery in Liberia be laid on the table, which motion was lost and the resolution as offered was adopted, as follows:

WHEREAS, The League of Nations is at present time prosecuting an inquiry into slavery and forced labor in Liberia, and 

WHEREAS, This Church has important mission work in Liberia, and has the information and organization to aid such an inquiry, 

Therefore be it Resolved, That all the facilities of this Church be placed at the command of the Commission making such an inquiry and that this Church expresses its full sympathy and support of any movement to end such slavery and forced labor as may be found to exist in Liberia.

Just before Noonday Prayers the quintet of the American Church Institute for Negroes sang several spirituals.

The Rev. Dr. Block of the Committee on Budget and Program presented the following reports Nos. 1 and 2 and the resolutions contained therein were adopted:
REPORT No. 1. Your Committee on Maintenance Budget begs leave to offer the following formal report together with recommendations:

We have carefully examined the proposed budget submitted by the National Council and have scrutinized in detail the various appropriations recommended therein. We are agreed that the work of the Church must not only be maintained, but must go forward. We observe that the total expenditures for the work of the Church through the National Council in 1930, amounted to $3,775,862.53, although the adopted budget authorized by the last Convention was $4,224,670. It is therefore clear that the difference in these figures, viz. $448,807.47 provided a margin of safety. That such a margin was necessary is evident when you consider further that the total receipts from all sources exceeded the total expenditures for that year by the still narrower margin of $114,917.28.

In the budget for 1932, 1933, 1934 there must be at least equal provision for safety, since experience has demonstrated that the expectations, in spite of the most earnest efforts throughout the Church, will in total fall short of the distributed quotas. Therefore on the adopted budget we cannot recommend any cuts in the total proposed budget which might imperil such margin of safety.

We believe that the proposed budget submitted by the National Council expresses an attitude at once conservative and courageous, and we therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Budget proposed by the National Council in the sum of $4,225,000 be adopted for the year 1932.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That if and when cuts in the Budget of $4,225,000 become necessary, after various dioceses have reported, that the work of the Church in her Continental, Extra-Continental and Foreign Missionary Districts be rated first in importance; that any necessary cuts should if possible be confined to administrative economies and to certain items in departmental budgets, especially in the department of publicity and more especially by the abandonment of the publication of the "Church at Work" (a saving of $33,000 annually) reductions in the appropriation to the Committee on Ecclesiastical and Racial Relations, and in the readjustment of appropriations to the work of the Church in the 41 Aided Dioceses which in 1930 received $288,226.70 and in the Continental Missionary Districts.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Messages Nos. 23 and 24, respectively.]

REPORT No. 2. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Budget for the years 1933 and 1934 be on the same basis as that of 1932 except that the National Council be authorized to add to the Budget for 1933 and 1934 such sums with 2½% increase over the Budget of the preceding year as the pledges of 1932 or 1933 respectively may justify.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be authorized to prepare a tentative Budget and Program for 1935 based upon the pledges of the preceding year upon which the work of the program may be set forward in advance of the Convention of 1934.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 22.]
The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 3. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Mr. Seaman of the Diocese of Delaware, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Bringhurst.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Powell of California presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Christian Healing which was received and placed on file to be printed in the Journal and the following resolution appended thereto was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on Christian Healing be continued with power to add to its numbers and to fill vacancies. (Appendix XX.)

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 20. See page 263.]

The Rev. Mr. Sykes presented the Minority Report of the Joint Commission on Christian Healing which was referred to the Joint Commission on Christian Healing. (Appendix XX.)

The Rev. Mr. Brown asked that Calendar No. 3 concerning the Oath of Allegiance which had been laid on the table, be taken from the table. The President ruled that this was out of order and his decision was sustained by a vote of 233 to 219.

No. 15 being taken from the Calendar, the Report No. 3 of the Committee on Canons was adopted.

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

The Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York presented the Report of the Committee to Consider and Report on Question of Renovation and Custody of the Archives of General Convention containing also the Report of the Custodian of the Archives and the following resolution was adopted (Appendix V.):

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be extended to the New York Historical Society for their willingness to care for the Archives of the Church turned over to them.

The Report was received and the Committee discharged.

No. 18 being taken from the Calendar, being the Report of the Joint Commission on Permanent Location of the National Headquarters, the resolution contained therein was adopted:

The Commission appointed at the last General Convention to consider the matter of a permanent location of the headquarters of the National Council and of questions having a bearing upon this subject, begs leave to report as follows:
Inasmuch as a Commission has been designated to deal with the question of the status of the Presiding Bishop, this Commission is unable to pass upon the matter of the official residence of the Presiding Bishop until the Convention has finally determined the status of that office.

After due consideration, the Commission is of the opinion that the business office and headquarters of the National Council should remain in New York City. Therefore the Commission presents the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the headquarters and business office of the National Council remain in the City of New York.

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

The Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Ministry:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, a Joint Committee of both Houses be appointed to clarify and condense the Canons relating to Postulants, Candidates, and the Ordination of Deacons and Priests and to report at the Convention of 1934.

Mr. Lee of California presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Missions:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be instructed to pay the first $15,000 of the Good Friday offering to the Jerusalem and the East Missions and also to show the receipt and disbursements of the Good Friday offerings in its Annual Report.

No. 20 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Burke of Arkansas that the Church Flag and the United States Flag be placed on the stage was adopted.

No. 21 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution of Mr. Booth of Michigan on the sterilization of all criminals was ordered laid on the table.

The House stood adjourned.

SIXTH DAY

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL,
SEPTEMBER 22, 1931.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the Fifth Day were read and, with an amendment offered by the Rev. Dr. Powell, approved.
The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:

The Rev. Mr. White of Western Michigan and the Messrs. Katzenbach of New Jersey and Wilson of Texas.

The President announced a change in the membership of the Committee on National and World Problems, substituting the name of Mr. Reynolds D. Brown of Pennsylvania for that of Mr. Edward H. Bonsall of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention shall adjourn sine die on Wednesday, September 30th at one o'clock p.m.; and that the closing service with the reading of the Pastoral Letter be held in St. John's Cathedral at 2:30 p.m. on that day.

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

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 4. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Mr. Katzenbach of the Diocese of New Jersey is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of Mr. Stokes who served temporarily as an Alternate.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops presented the following Report and the resolution appended thereto was adopted:

REPORT No.2. The Committee on the Consecration of Bishops to which was referred the petition of the Diocese of Alabama asking the consent of the General Convention to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor begs leave to report that it has examined the resolutions contained in this petition and finds them to conform in every respect to the provisions of Canon 13, § II., the Bishop of the Diocese of Alabama having given notice of his desire for a Coadjutor and the Diocese of Alabama having at its One Hundredth Annual Council held on January 26th, 1931, in the City of Mobile, agreed to the Bishop's request, and by resolution asked the consent of the General Convention to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor by reason of extent of Diocesan Work.

Your Committee presents the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the consent of the General Convention be given to the Diocese of Alabama to elect a Bishop Coadjutor.

R. BOWDEN SHEPHERD, Chairman.

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

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented Report No. 3 concerning the election of the Rev. Dr. Budlong as Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Connecticut which was placed on the Calendar.
The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented Report No. 4, concerning Canons 60, 61, 17 and 18, which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented Report No. 5, concerning Canon 9, § I. [i.], which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented Report No. 6, concerning Canon 23, which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Jones of Long Island presented and read part of the Report of the Joint Commission on the General Theological Seminary. (Appendix IV.)

The Rev. Dr. Allen of the Committee on Missions presented the following Report:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Missions convened for organization at Room 228, Brown Palace Hotel at 8 P.M., September 21, 1931.

The Committee organized by the election of the Rev. Dr. Allen as Chairman and the Rev. Mr. Pratt as Secretary.

After informal discussion the meeting adjourned to reconvene at the registration room in the Scottish Rite Cathedral at 2:45 P.M. Tuesday, September 22, 1931.

ALEXANDER ALLEN, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of the Committee on Prayer Book presented the following Reports:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on the Prayer Book reports that it has organized by the election of the Rev. Dr. Silver of New York as Chairman and of the Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia as Secretary.

Beverly D. Tucker, Jr., Secretary.

REPORT No. 2. The Committee on the Prayer Book begs leave to report that the following Memorials referred to this Committee should be referred to the Committee on Canons, inasmuch as they call for an interpretation of Article X. of the Constitution and of Canon 46, namely:

A. The Memorial from the Diocese of Long Island requesting General Convention to consider and decide whether any certification made by the Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer is lawful except only of said Standard Book.

B. The Memorial from the vestry of St. John's Church of Halifax, Virginia protesting against the use of the "American Missal" in the Protestant Episcopal Church of America.

Beverly D. Tucker, Jr., Secretary.

In accordance with this request the foregoing Report and the Memorials were referred to the Committee on Canons.
REPORT No. 3. The Committee on the Prayer Book begs leave to report that it has considered the communication from the World Calendar Association to the General Convention, and the Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the subject for the reason that the matter is not sufficiently advanced to enable the Committee to make a recommendation.

BEVERLY D. TUCKER, JR., Secretary.

The foregoing request was granted.

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of the Committee on Social Service presented the following Reports:

REPORT No. 1.

The Committee on Social Service to which was referred a communication from the Rev. Dr. Dudley in reference to the Lord's Day Observance beg to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention vigorously opposes the commercializing of the Lord's Day, and commends the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States for their efforts in keeping the day free from economic profit, and that the following members of this Church be appointed as members of the governing board of the Lord's Day Alliance:

Rev. Dr. Chase of Long Island, the Rev. Dr. Dudley of Washington and the Rev. Dr. Bowie of New York.

That the Rev. Dr. Clifford Gray Trombly be appointed an additional member of the Board, and that the Rt. Rev. Charles K. Gilbert, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of New York, be appointed an Honorary Vice-President of the Alliance.

FLOYD W. TOMKINS, Chairman.

The Resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

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

REPORT No. 2.

The following communication was referred to your Committee:

"At a regular meeting of the Board of Managers of the Seaman's Church Institute of Newport held this day I was instructed to ask through you that the Convention investigate the organization of the Seaman's Church Institute of America and its affiliated branches.

"Seaman's Church Institute of Newport, by R. W. MAGOUN, Supt."

Your Committee request that this be referred to the Joint Commission on Work amongst Seamen.

The communication was so referred.

The Rev. Dr. Berkeley of the Committee on Rural Work presented the following:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Rural Work begs leave to report that it met and perfected its organization by the election of the Rev. Dr. Gass, of West Virginia as Chairman and the Rev. Dr. Berkeley of Southwestern Virginia as Secretary and is prepared to consider any matters which may be referred to it.
The Rev. Dr. Goodwin of the Joint Committee on National and World Problems presented the following:

**Report No. 1.** The Joint Committee on National and World Problems has organized by the election of the Bishop of Washington as Chairman and the Rev. Dr. Goodwin of Southern Virginia as Secretary.

The Committee has appointed a time for public hearing on the matters under consideration, namely, the present wide spread unemployment, the whole industrial situation, world peace, prohibition and kindred subjects.

The first hearing will be in the Ball Room on the 8th Floor of the Brown Palace Hotel this Tuesday evening at 8:30 P.M. All members of the Joint Committees are urged to be present.

W. A. R. Goodwin, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Humphries of Maryland presented the Report on Conference with Methodists and Presbyterians (Appendix XXIII) and the following Resolution attached to the Report was adopted:

_Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission for conference with the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches on Christian Morality in relation to Organic Unity be continued with power to fill vacancies and to confer with the representatives of these other Communions upon lines of approach to Unity other than specifically moral._

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 30.]

The Rev. Mr. Lewis of Montana presented a resolution which had been adopted by the Convention of the Diocese of Montana, recommending that the Church Pension Fund be urged to consider adopted children as coming under the scope of that Fund, which was referred to the Committee on the Church Pension Fund.

The following Petitions against the use of the American Missal were referred to the Committee on Canons:

1. Petition signed by many Church people presented by the Rev. Dr. Maxon.
2. Petition presented by Mr. Page of Virginia.
3. Petition presented by Mr. Overfield of Utah.

Mr. Berry of Kansas presented record of the death of Mr. John McEwan Ames of Kansas and Rev. Mr. West of Kansas presented record of the death of the Rev. Otis Earl Gray of Kansas. Both names were referred to the Committee on Memorial of Deceased Members.

The Rev. Dr. Melish of Long Island presented a Memorial to General Convention from the Department of Christian So-
Respectfully submitted,
E. Clowes Chorley, Historiographer.

At the request of the Chairman of the Committee on Despatch of Business, he and the Secretary of the House were authorized to place on the Calendar or refer to proper Committees for the consideration of this House matters which had been referred to the Secretary and which were now in his hands.

The following resolutions were so referred:
Resolution from the National Council regarding floods in China, to the Committee on Missions.
Resolution from the National Council on inaugurating missionary work in India, to the Committee on Missions.
A Report on the Five Colleges affiliated with the Protestant Episcopal Church, to the Committee on Christian Education.
Resolution from the National Council asking General Convention to commend to all Diocesans and to all Vestries in College communities the advantage of consulting with the College Commission through the National Secretary for College Work when filling vacancies in such parishes, to the Committee on Christian Education.
Resolution from the National Council on subsidizing the four Church weeklies, referred back to the National Council.
Rev. Dr. Block of the Committee on Budget and Program presented the following Reports:

REPORT No. 3. **Resolved**, the House of Bishops concurring, That 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 toward the Church's Program for the ensuing year. That the National Council at its first meeting of 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.

The foregoing resolution was adopted.

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

REPORT No. 4. **Resolved**, The House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be and is hereby instructed to make appropriations to aided Dioceses only after careful investigation of the need, approval of the plan and personnel of the proposed project, and agreement with the Bishop of such Dioceses that all monies so appropriated by the National Council shall be expended under the National Council; and that reports upon the progress of the work to which such monies shall have been contributed shall be made by the Bishop of the said Diocese at such intervals as the Council may determine.

Several amendments were suggested to the foregoing Report and on motion of Mr. Peterkin of West Virginia the whole matter was recommitted to the Committee with all proposed amendments.

REPORT No. 5. **Resolved**, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be instructed to confine the appropriations for administration costs of the Council and its departments to a sum not to exceed the appropriations for 1929.

The foregoing resolution was adopted.

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

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 16. Third Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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. 10 in the matter of the National George Washington Bi-centennial Commission.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 18. Fifth Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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. 11 recommending approval of the Free and Open Church Association.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

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 recommending that the Joint Commission on Architecture and the Allied Arts be continued with power to fill vacancies and add to its numbers.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 20. Fifth Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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 City Missions be continued with power to add to its numbers and to fill vacancies.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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


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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Presiding Bishop be, and he hereby is, authorized and requested to appoint five Bishops, five Clergymen and five Lay Persons as members of the National Commission on Evangelism to continue the work of that Commission during the next three years.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

MESSAGE No. 25. Fifth Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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 to add to its numbers.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar. See p.270.

MESSAGE No. 27. Fifth Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring,

I. That the Presiding Bishop in behalf of General Convention be instructed to convey to Prebendary Carlisle, the Founder of the Church Army in England, our deep appreciation to that organization for the aid and generous support they gave in sending a group of
Church Army officers to the United States to found Church Army in U. S. A. now incorporated, and recognized by General Convention as one of the co-operating agencies of the National Council in Evangelism.

II. That the General Convention commends most heartily the work of Church Army in its Evangelistic efforts in this country, and approves an appeal to the General Church for a larger degree of financial support, secured through voluntary offerings with the consent and approval of the Ecclesiastical Authority in each Diocese and Missionary District, also of the Presiding Bishop of this Church.

III. That a Committee of three Bishops from the House of Bishops be appointed by the Presiding Bishop to co-operate with Church Army in U. S. A. and advise them in their plans and policies.

IV. That in view of the splendid work of the Church Army, the Presiding Bishop be requested to grant such commissions to the officers of the Church Army as that organization may require.

The Chairman has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:
- The Bishop of Eastern Oregon.
- The Bishop of Vermont.
- The Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

MESSAGE No. 28.

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 amendments to Canon 60, § I.; Canon 60, § II.; Canon 60, § III.; Canon 61, § I. [i.] ; Canon 61, § II. [i.] ; Canon 61, § II. [ii.] ; Canon 61, § II. [iii.] ; Canon 61, § III. [i.] ; Canon 61, § IV. [i.] ; Canon 61, § IV. [ii.] ; and Canon 61, § V. [i.] be adopted, the text of which is herewith attached.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Rev. Dr. Covington of Southern Virginia presented a Resolution recommending that a Commission be appointed to study the status of the Negro in the Protestant Episcopal Church, which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Resolved, That the Book of Common Prayer be the only book of public worship authorized for use in this Church, and that such other books of devotion, prayers and forms of public worship as are not commonly used in this Church be submitted to the next General Convention for its judgment upon their use,
And be it further Resolved, That until General Convention has pass-
ed upon their use, only such book or books as have been authorized
by General Convention for use in this Church shall be placed upon
the altars of our Churches.

The Rev. Dr. Starr of South Carolina presented the follow-
ing resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Com-
mission on Church Unity be requested to include the Lutheran Church
with the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches in its future negotia-
tions looking toward organic union with these bodies.

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

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business
requested that No. 24 on the Calendar, Report of the Commit-
tee on Canons on Canons 60, 61, 17 and 18, be withdrawn from
the Calendar and referred back to the Committee on Canons
in connection with House of Bishops Message No. 28. The re-
quest was granted.

The Rev. Mr. Wragg of Atlanta presented the following
resolution, which after several amendments, was referred to
the Committee on Missions:

WHEREAS, The children and other members of the Church School,
through the Little Helpers, Birthday, Christmas and Lenten Offerings
have contributed the magnificent sum of $1,600,000 towards the
Church’s Missionary work during the past triennium;

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this
Convention expresses to the children of the Church the deep gratitude
for their splendid and generous offering and assures them that it has
been and will be expended primarily in feeding the hungry, clothing
the naked, healing the sick, educating the ignorant and preaching the
Gospel among the children of many races and in many lands, in the
name of Him who said “Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of
these my brethren ye have done it unto me.”

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to convey to the
children of our Church Schools, in such manner as he shall see fitting,
this expression of our gratitude.

The Rev. Dr. Hart of Tennessee presented a resolution rec-
ommending that this Convention establish an Advisory Com-
mission on Church Colleges which was placed on the Cal-
endar.

The Rev. Mr. Powell of Indianapolis moved that in the ab-
sence of the Church Flag, the Cross be placed at the right of
the platform and the motion was carried.

No. 26 being taken from the Calendar, the following Report
of the Committee on Canons was adopted:

REPORT No.6. The Committee, to which was referred a memorial
from the Diocese of Michigan concerning an amendment to Canon 23
of the General Canons, relating to "Persons not Ministers in this Church officiating in any congregation thereof" by the introduction in line 12 of said Canon of the words "congregations of this Church," reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 23 be amended so as to read:

"Of persons not Ministers in this Church officiating in any congregation thereof.

"No Minister in charge of any congregation of this Church, or in any 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 congregations of this Church, on special occasions."

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

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

No. 25 being taken from the Calendar, the following Report of the Committee on Canons was adopted:

Report No. 5. The Committee to which was referred an amendment to Canon 9, § I. [i.] reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 9, § I. [i.] be amended by the insertion after the words "§ I. II." of the words "or by a Suffragan Bishop when requested by the Bishop of a Diocese," so that this section as amended will read as follows:

"§ 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, § II., or by a Suffragan Bishop when requested by the Bishop of a Diocese, 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."

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 37.]

No. 16 being taken from the Calendar, being the Report of the National Commission on Evangelism, Mr. Thorne of New York presented the Report to the House. (Appendix XXI.)

No. 22 being taken from the Calendar, the following resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, be appointed to consider the desirability and feasibility of publishing a quarterly Historical Magazine for this Church.
The President appointed, as Members, on the part of this House:
Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York, Rev. Mr. Sargent of Long Island, Mr. John Stewart Bryan of Virginia, Mr. Clark McK. Whittemore of New Jersey.

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

The Rev. Dr. Lumpkin of Milwaukee suggested that the House rise in recognition of the placing of the Cross and Church Flag on the platform. The House rose and prayers were said by the President.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the order of business for the afternoon.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 5. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that the Rev. Mr. White of the Diocese of Western Michigan, elected as an Alternate Deputy, is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Whittemore.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York presented the Report of the Joint Commission on adopting the Office of Deaconess to Present Tasks of the Church which was placed on the Calendar.

Mr. Runk of Pennsylvania presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Canons:

Amend paragraph 11 of § 1. of proposed Canon 43 “of the solemnization of Holy Matrimony” by adding thereto as follows:

“At the same time said parties shall present to said Minister medical certificates to the effect that each is free from any mental or physical impediment to marriage.”

Dr. Mansfield of Connecticut presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, On March 25th, 1933, will occur the Sesquicentennial of the election, at Woodbury, Conn. of the Rev. Samuel Seabury, as the First Bishop of this Church; and

WHEREAS, On November 14th, 1934, will occur the Sesquicentennial of his consecration, at Aberdeen, Scotland,

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission, consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters and five Laymen, be appointed to take such measures, as they may deem necessary or desirable, to commemorate either such election or such consecration as the Commission may determine; and that the time, place and manner of such commemoration be also left to such Commission to determine: full authority being hereby given to such Commission to do all acts, necessary or desirable, to carry out the purpose of this resolution; and
Be it further Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That such Commission shall have power to fill any vacancies in its membership, and shall also have power to add to its membership, should it desire so to do; and

Be it further Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Presiding Bishop and the President of the House of Deputies be included within such Commission of fifteen.

The President appointed, as Members on the part of this House:

The President of the House, the Rev. Dr. Sill of Connecticut, the Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York, the Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio, Dr. Mansfield of Connecticut, Mr. Seymour of Long Island, Mr. Page of Virginia, Dr. Anderson of Georgia, Mr. Monteagle of California.

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

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business asked the House to consider Calendar No. 23, being the consent to the election of the Rev. Dr. Budlong as Bishop Coadjutor of Connecticut, in Executive Session Wednesday morning immediately after reading the Journal.

No. 28 being taken from the Calendar, the following resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Covington of Southern Virginia was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Commission be appointed consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and five Laymen to study the status of the Negro in the Protestant Episcopal Church and to recommend to the next General Convention methods whereby a fuller measure of leadership may be developed among them.

The President appointed as members on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Covington of Southern Virginia, the Rev. Dr. McCready of Kentucky, the Rev. Dr. Thomas of Chicago, the Rev. Mr. Gribben of North Carolina and the Rev. Mr. Baskerville of South Carolina, Dr. Dillard of Virginia, Mr. Elliott of East Carolina, Mr. Thorne of New York, Mr. Benet of Upper South Carolina and Mr. Turner of Southern Virginia.

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

The Secretary read the following telegram:

Your letter eighteenth just received transmitting action of House of Deputies expressing sympathy in my illness and regret that I am unable to take my usual place as representative from Louisiana. I am deeply touched by this action of the Members of the House and I am profoundly grateful for their thoughtfulness and their kind consideration. Please convey to the Officers and Members of the House my most cordial greetings.

Warren Kearny.
No. 30 being taken from the Calendar, the Rev. Dr. Robbins presented the Report of the Joint Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to Present Tasks of the Church with the resolutions attached. (See Appendix X.)

Resolutions No. 1 and No. 3 were adopted. Resolution No. 2 was referred to Committee on Church Pension Fund.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 22. Fifth Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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. 13 recommending 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.

The Chairman has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Los Angeles.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 23. Fifth Day of Session, September 21st, 1931.

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. 14 recommending that a Joint Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and four Laymen be appointed to nominate members of the National Council whose term expires at this Convention.

The Chairman has appointed, as members, on the part of this House:
- The Bishop of Tennessee.
- The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission be appointed consisting of three (3) Bishops, three (3) Presbyters, and ten (10) Laymen to make further study of the desirability of the formation of a National Organization of Laymen in the Church, and, provided the Commission deems such a course expedient, to perfect a plan and create the said Laymen's Organization.

The Chairman has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia, the Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishop of Wyoming.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.
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 recommending that the Joint Commission on Christian Healing be continued with power to add to its numbers and to fill vacancies. (See page 281.)

MESSAGE No. 30. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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 recommending that the headquarters and business office of the National Council remain in the City of New York.

The Rev. Dr. Melish of Long Island asked the permission of the House to read an editorial from the "Rocky Mountain News," which was referred to the Committee on National and World Problems.

The Rev. Dr. Block of the Committee on Budget and Program presented the following report, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The proposed quotas for 1932 as set forth in the General Church Program 1932-1934 reveal certain marked decreases and increases, and

WHEREAS, Such marked changes tend to make the realization of the total of the quotas more difficult, and

WHEREAS, It is advisable at this time to make the total of the quotas allotted as low as is consistent with safety,

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the quotas of the several dioceses and districts for 1932 are hereby fixed at the average of the quotas of the past triennium and the proposed quotas for 1932 as set forth in the Program, less approximately 3%, said 3% to be deducted from the total of quotas by adding to the expected income of the National Council the sum of $100,000 "Miscellaneous Income", thus:

Maintenance Budget .......... $4,225,000
Estimated Income from United Thank Offering, interest on trust funds and miscellaneous income... 825,000

Total of Quotas needed to meet Budget ...... $3,400,000

Resolved, further, That the National Council is instructed to figure the quotas for 1933 and succeeding years on the basis of the "Current Expenses" of the last six years available, using a sliding scale of percentages on the plan now in force.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 36.]

The House stood adjourned at four-forty P.M.
The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the Sixth Day were read and approved.

On motion of Dr. Anderson, the House went into Executive Session at 10:30 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 Consecration of Bishops to which was referred testimonials as to the election of the Rev. Frederick Grandy Budlong, S.T.D., of the Diocese of Connecticut to be the Bishop Coadjutor of that Diocese respectfully reports:

That it has examined the Testimonials and found them canonically correct, and further after due inquiry and with a serious sense of responsibility, the Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolution.

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the Consecration of the Rev. Frederick Grandy Budlong, S.T.D., to be the Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Connecticut.

R. BOWDEN SHEPHERD, Chairman.

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

Dr. Anderson moved that the Executive Session be closed, and the House went into open session and took up the regular order of business.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved, That on all matters coming up for action today the General Debate shall be limited to one hour and a half, at the expiration of which time ten (10) minutes shall be allowed the Spokesman for the measure to close the debate and the main question including all amendments shall then be taken under the provisions of Rule 18.

Resolved, further, That all individual speeches upon any such matters shall be limited to five (5) Minutes.

Mr. Smith of North Texas presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Admission of New Dioceses, concerning the Petition of the Diocese of Western New York for a proposed division and the creation of a new Diocese, which was placed on the Calendar.
The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to which was referred the Petition of the Dioceses of Western New York for a proposed division and the creation of a new Diocese to consist of the eight counties in the eastern portion of the present diocese, as set forth in the petitioner's Memorial, viz., Monroe, Livingston, Allegany, Steuben, Schuyler, Yates, Ontario and Wayne, after having considered said Petition and heard the arguments in support thereof, find as follows:

The Committee find that all the Constitutional and Canonical provisions have been complied with, and unanimously recommend that the petition of the Diocese of Western New York be granted. They therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention approves the Petition of the Diocese of Western New York for proposed division and the creation of a new Diocese to consist of the eight counties in the eastern portion of the present diocese as set forth in the petitioner's Memorial, viz.: Monroe, Livingston, Allegany, Steuben, Schuyler, Yates, Ontario and Wayne.

WILLIAM H. MILTON, Chairman.

The same gentleman presented Report No. 3 of the same Committee, concerning the Joint Memorial of the Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey on the proposed alteration of the Diocesan Boundary between the two Dioceses, which was placed on the Calendar.

Report No. 3 of the Committee on Admission of New Dioceses.

The Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses, to which was referred the Joint Memorial of the Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey on the Proposed Alteration of the Diocesan Boundary between the Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey, said alteration being to enclose the St. Bernard's School property, now in the Diocese of Newark, within the Diocese of New Jersey, and a like change in the line between Millington and Liberty Corner to include the Bonnie Brae Farm within the Diocese of Newark, beg leave to report as follows:

The Committee, after having considered the said Memorial and the Exhibits in connection therewith, and having heard the arguments in support of such Memorial, and finding that the two Dioceses involved have mutually agreed upon such alteration, which merely involves the cession by each Diocese to the other of the respective properties involved; that all Constitutional and Canonical provisions have been complied with; that there has been no objection made to the proposed alteration of the boundaries of the said Dioceses, and that such alteration would be to the mutual advantage of said Dioceses; and the Committee unanimously recommend that the joint memorial of the Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey be granted. They therefore offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention grant the Joint Memorial of the Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey for the Alteration of the Diocesan Boundary between the Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey, as specified in said Joint Memorial in "Exhibit A" and "Exhibit B" therein contained.

WILLIAM H. MILTON, Chairman.
Mr. Seymour presented Report No. 7 of the Committee on Canons, concerning Canons 60 and 61, which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman presented Report No. 8 of the same Committee, concerning Canon 61, which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman presented Report No. 9 of the same Committee, on proposed revision of Canon 43 on Marriage and Divorce, which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Jones of Long Island presented a resolution asking that the Committee of the House of Bishops and the Committee of the House of Deputies on the General Theological Seminary be the Joint Commission of the Two Houses on the General Theological Seminary with power to fill vacancies, which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Allen of the Committee on Missions presented Report No. 2 concerning the Offering of the children of the Church, which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented Report No. 3 with reference to the Good Friday Offering which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of the Committee on Christian Education presented:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Christian Education organized by the election of the Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland as Chairman and Dr. Dibble of Western Michigan as Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Walkley of the Committee on Unfinished Business presented:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Unfinished Business begs leave to report that it has met and has elected the Rev. Dr. Walkley of Newark as Chairman and the Rev. Mr. Berkeley of Southwestern Virginia as Secretary.

After a cursory review of the Commissions and Committees to report to this Convention the following have apparently not yet reported to this Convention:

Commission on the Relation of the Church to the Army and Navy Chaplain's Corps.
Committee to Consider Status of Bishops Coadjutor and Suffragan Bishops.
Board of Church Finance.
Commission on Church Flag and Seal.
Committee on Revision of the Hymnal.
Standing Liturgical Commission.
Commission to Take under Consideration the Question Relating to the Dissolution of Pastoral Relations.

Joint Commission on Status of King Theological Hall.

Joint Commission to Confer with American Church Institute for Negroes, Bishop Payne Divinity School and the President of Board of Trustees of St. Augustine's School.

Commission on the Prayer Book in Italian.

The Committee calls attention to the Report No. 13 of the Committee on Canons that there has been no report received concerning the definition of a Communicant.

CHARLES THOMAS WALKLEY, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. McMillan presented the following:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Church Pension Fund beg leave to report that they have organized by electing the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio as Chairman and the Rev. Dr. Dudley of Washington as Secretary.

F. H. NELSON, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Davidson of Los Angeles presented the following:

REPORT No. 1. Your Committee on Evangelism respectfully begs leave to make the following Report. Since the last Triennial the Committee held one meeting for the purpose of effecting an organization.

Since the meeting of the last General Convention, three members of the Committee have been elevated to the House of Bishops: the Rev. Dr. Sherrill as Bishop of Massachusetts; the Rev. Dr. Hobson as Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio, and the Rev. Dr. Stewart as Bishop of Chicago. The Committee has also sustained a loss in the removal by death of the Rev. Edward J. Owen, D.D., late of the Diocese of Erie.

It is difficult to make a Report to this House as to all that has been accomplished by the Church in Evangelistic work. All Church work has evangelistic value; and it is impossible to tell how far-reaching its indirect influence may be. However, Evangelism, as a distinct department of Church Work whose particular function is to bring home the message of Jesus Christ into the hearts of men with such force of conviction as to cause them to accept Him as their Lord and Saviour, is the great need of the Church today.

This highly speculative age with its confusion of thought challenges the Church with an evangelistic problem threefold in character.

First, the problem is to arouse within the hearts and consciences of our own people, a deepened sense of the reality of sin, with a conviction that the responsibility to disciple our unbelieving neighbors rests squarely upon each individual communicant of the Church.

Secondly, the Church's problem is to reconvince the world that Christian standards are the only valid and indispensable foundations alike for inner peace and for the achievement of prosperity, justice and brotherhood in social relationships; and

Thirdly, the Church is challenged to persuade the world afresh that peace is the gift of God in Jesus Christ, and that it is to be found nowhere else.

Every Church and every Church member an evangelist for God will bring this about. That we may share with others the high prize of
Christianity and the peace of life, we would call upon the Church to dare to take its gospel out of cloistered seclusion into the wide open spaces of the free criticism of the men of our age in the certain hope that because it is rooted in God it will withstand all attacks.

The Committee is happy to report that progress has been made. Committees on Evangelism have been appointed in many Dioceses, and the National Church has appointed "the Seventy." The College of Preachers and the Church Army are also agencies within the Church emphasizing the Evangelistic note. There is an ever increasing sense of the Church's responsibility, and a need to emphasize anew the Gospel message as the only means by which the Church and the Nation may be saved.

Our National Commission has sustained a great loss in the resignations of the Rev. W. J. Loaring-Clark, D.D., and Dr. Larkin Glazebrook whose untiring labors in this field were outstanding.

Your Committee is of the opinion that the time is rapidly approaching if it has not already arrived, when the utmost consideration should be given to the Evangelistic work of the Church.

GEORGE DAVIDSON, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. White of Newark presented the Report of the Board of Church Finance which was placed on the Calendar. (Appendix III.)

The Rev. Mr. Sykes of West Texas presented an amendment to the resolution contained in the Report of the Committee on Evangelism which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania presented a resolution on the American Church Institute for Negroes and the Rev. Dr. Patton which was placed on the Calendar.

Mr. Barbour presented a resolution on the Church Press which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Mr. Powell of Indianapolis asked reconsideration of the action of yesterday on the Report of the Joint Commission on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to the Present Tasks of the Church which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Porkess of Pittsburgh presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies, now assembled in General Convention, in the City of Denver, has learned with regret of the inability to be present, because of illness, of Mr. Charles S. Shoemaker, a faithful, efficient Deputy at many past General Conventions, and expresses the earnest hope he may speedily be restored.

Mr. Sayre of New York presented a resolution to repeal § II. of Canon 53 which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Block presented the following Report of the Committee on Budget and Program, which was adopted:
REPORT No. 6. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that the National Council be hereby instructed to make appropriations to aided dioceses only after careful investigation of the financial resources of the Diocese and of the need of the project for which the aid is asked; and

Further, That such appropriation be made only after an agreement with the Bishop of said Diocese determining the scope and method of all expenditures within the appropriation, such agreement to include regular reports from the Bishop upon the development of the work for which the appropriation is used.

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

No. 2 being taken from the Calendar, the Rev. Dr. Powell of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented the following amendment to the Constitution proposed at the Convention of 1928 and to be finally acted upon:

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.”

A vote was taken by Dioceses and Orders and the foregoing amendment was adopted by a vote of 64 in the Clerical order and 57 in the Lay order.

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

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 31. Sixth Day of Session, September 22nd, 1931.

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 give its sympathetic approval of the plan of the Joint Commission for an adequate foundation for the support of the Rural Work of the Church, and refer the suggestions and recommendations to the National Council for its consideration and power to act.

Resolved, further, That the House of Deputies concurring, the Joint Commission on Rural Work be continued.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

MESSAGE No. 32. Sixth Day of Session, September 22nd, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops 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 be
adopted by the next General Convention in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution:

Amend Article I., Sec. 3, of the Constitution by inserting the words "the close of" after the word "until" so that the sentence shall read "The Bishop so elected shall serve until the close of the next General Convention."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

MESSAGE No. 33. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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. 27 that this General Convention shall adjourn sine die on Wednesday, September 30th, at one o'clock P.M., and that the closing service with the reading of the Pastoral Letter be held in St. John's Cathedral at 2:30 P.M. on that day.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 34. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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. 29 recommending that the General Convention vigorously oppose the commercializing of the Lord's Day, and commend the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States for their efforts in keeping the day free from economic profit; and in the appointment of the various members of this Church as members of the governing board of the Lord's Day Alliance.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 35. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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. 31 recommending:

First, That 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 toward the Church's Program for the ensuing year;

Second, That the National Council, at its first meeting of 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.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 36. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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 recommend to the National Council the appointment as members of the Field Department and of the Departments of Missions, Religious Education and Social Service one representative of each
Province in each of these departments, such persons to be nominated by the corresponding departments of the Province, or by the Provincial Council, as the Synod of each Province may determine.

Resolved, That the Joint Committee on Provinces be permitted to consider and report to the next General Convention upon the matter of the number and boundaries of the Provinces and for that purpose to request each Province to appoint a representative to meet with the Committee in its deliberations.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 37. Sixth Day of Session, September 22nd, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 13, §1. [11.], be amended by inserting in line 8 the words "or President of the Province" so that it shall read "by himself or the President of the Province and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops, etc."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

MESSAGE No. 38. Sixth Day of Session, September 22nd, 1931.

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 be made in the Constitution and the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in accordance with the provisions of Article XI. of the Constitution.

Amend Article II., Sec. 6, of the Constitution to read as follows:

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 prescribed by the Canons of General Convention.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

MESSAGE No. 39. Sixth Day of Session, September 22nd, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That consent of the General Convention be given to the division of the Diocese of Western New York and the formation of a new diocese to include the Counties of Monroe, Wayne, Ontario, Yates, Livingston, Steuben, Allegany and Schuyler in the State of New York; the Diocese of Western New York to include the Counties of Erie, Niagara, Orleans, Genesee, Chautauqua, Wyoming and Cattaraugua in the State of New York.
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Memorial of the Dioceses of New Jersey and Newark, asking the consent of the General Convention to certain changes in the boundary line between these Dioceses be approved, and that such consent be given.

Resolved further, the House of Deputies concurring, That the details of these changes be such as are set forth in the certified maps and schedules accompanying the Memorial.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing message was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses.

MESSAGE No. 40. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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 recommending the consent of the General Convention be given to the Diocese of Alabama to elect a Bishop Coadjutor.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 41. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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 Army and Navy Chaplains be continued, and be it further Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the National Council be requested to make such appropriation for carrying on the work of the Commission as the funds at its disposition may warrant.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

MESSAGE No. 42. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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 amendments to Canon 61, Sec. V. [i.]; Canon 61, Sec. V.; Canon 61, Sec. VI. [ii.]; Canon 61, Sec. VI. [ii.]; Canon 61, Sec. VII (ii.); Canon 61, Sec. VIII. [i.]; Canon 61, Sec. XI.; Canon 17, Sec. II.; Canon 18, Sec. II. [ii.]; Canon 18, Sec. VII. [v.]; Canon 18, Sec. VIII. be adopted, the text of which is herewith attached.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 43. Sixth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

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

Resolved, That the Amendment to Article I., Sec. 3, recorded on page 509 of Journal of 1928 as adopted, be ratified as follows:

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."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.
MESSAGE No. 44.  
SIXTH DAY OF SESSION,  
SEPTEMBER 22ND, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution in its Message No. 39 recommending that the Joint Commission on Church Unity be requested to include the Lutheran Church with the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches in its future negotiations looking toward organic union with these bodies.

ATTEND: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

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, to fill the vacancies caused by expiration of term of office, by death and by resignation.

The President appointed, as Members on the part of this House:

Rev. Dr. Washburn of Massachusetts, Rev. Dr. Davidson of Los Angeles, Rev. Dr. Brydon of Virginia, Mr. Monteagle of California, Mr. Johnson of Colorado, Mr. Paddock of Michigan.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 57.]

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business moved that the Report of the Committee on Canons on Marriage and Divorce, being Calendar No. 23, be made the order of the day at three o'clock, which motion was carried.

No. 17 being taken from the Calendar, being the Report of the Joint Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order, the following resolutions were adopted:

1. Resolved, That this Convention transmit to the Continuation Committee the findings on the Lausanne Reports prepared by the Commission on Faith and Order, recommending further study on the points therein suggested. In thus replying officially to the Reports, the Convention desires again to express thankfulness for the achievement which these Reports represent in making clear the present state of agreement among the Churches and the grave points of disagreement which still remain.

2. Resolved, That this Convention heartily endorses the proposal of the Continuation Committee to hold a second World Conference on Faith and Order not later than 1937, and assures the Committee of full co-operation in this continuation of the work begun at Lausanne.

3. Resolved, That the Commission on Faith and Order be continued, with power to elect additional members.

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

The following Resolution attached to the Report was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program:

4. Resolved, That the sum of $5,000 per annum for three years be added to the Budget for the work of the Commission on Faith and Order.
No. 27 being taken from the Calendar, Message No. 25 of the House of Bishops, recommending that the Joint Commission on Christian Healing be continued, the House moved to concur with the House of Bishops.

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

No. 31 being taken from the Calendar, Message No. 26 of the House of Bishops, recommending that a Joint Commission be appointed to make further study of the desirability of the formation of a National Organization of Laymen in the Church, the House moved to concur with the House of Bishops.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:
The Rev. Dr. Clingman of Alabama, the Rev. Dr. Porter of California, and the Rev. Mr. Musson of Kentucky, Mr. Kearny of Louisiana, Mr. Allen of Chicago, Mr. Thompson of Washington, Mr. Block of Missouri, Mr. Parker of Massachusetts, Mr. Dearing of Florida, Mr. Hullihan of Delaware, Mr. Gardiner of Maine, Mr. Barber of Chicago and Mr. Van Derlip of Minnesota.

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

The Rev. Mr. Hughes of Rhode Island presented the following Resolution which was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program:

Resolved, That the Committee on Budget and Program be requested to make no further appropriation for the work of the Commission on Faith and Order.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following communication from the Woman's Auxiliary, which was referred to the Committee on the Church Pension Fund:
The Rev. Dr. C. M. Davis, Secretary
House of Deputies,
Denver, Colorado.
My dear Dr. Davis:

It gives me pleasure to transmit to you the following resolution, adopted this afternoon at the Triennial Session of the Woman's Auxiliary, with request that you be good enough to see that it is brought to the attention of the House of Deputies:

WHEREAS, The Woman's Auxiliary wishes to testify to its appreciation of the services rendered by Deaconesses of the Church, and believes an adequate pension is due them.

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Triennial of the Woman's Auxiliary assembled in Denver does respectfully petition the General Convention of the Episcopal Church to give favorable consideration to the formation of an adequate pension system for the Deaconesses of the Protestant Episcopal Church of America.

Sincerely yours,
GRACE LINDLEY,
Executive Secretary, Woman's Auxiliary.
The time having arrived for the order of the day, Report No. 9 of the Committee on Canons on Proposed Revision of Canon 43 on Solemnization of Matrimony was presented by Mr. Seymour.

REPORT No. 9. The Committee on Canons begs leave to report that it has received and considered the report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce amending Canon 43, and respectfully submits to the House the following revision of said Canon; it should be noted that the Committee is not unanimous in making this report, but that 10 members of the Committee stood in favor of the same, and 3 were opposed.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 43 "of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony" be amended by striking out everything after the title and inserting in place thereof the following:

I. [i.] In every Parish instruction shall be given both publicly and privately, on the nature of Christian marriage, its responsibilities, and the mutual forbearance which it requires.

[ii.] No Minister of the Church shall solemnize a marriage unless he is assured that the parties thereto are thus instructed and that both hold the Christian ideal of marriage. In which case, before he officiates, he shall require them to sign in his presence the following statement:

"We, A. B. and C. D., desiring to receive the blessing of the Church upon our marriage, do solemnly declare that we hold Christian marriage to be a life-long physical and spiritual union of husband and wife, for the purpose of mutual fellowship, encouragement, and understanding, for the procreation (if it may be) of children and their physical and spiritual nurture, and for the safeguarding and benefit of society. And we engage ourselves, so far as in us lies, to make every effort to realize the Christian ideal and to avail ourselves of means of grace thereto as taught and provided by the Christian Church."

II. [i.] There shall be constituted in each Diocese and Missionary District an ecclesiastical court, with jurisdiction to act in all marital cases arising under § III. and § VII. where one at least of the spouses is domiciled and a stated worshipper within the Diocese or District.

[ii.] Unless otherwise provided in the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese or District, the Judge or Judges of ecclesiastical courts shall be appointed by the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, and shall be godly communicants resident in the Diocese or District, and learned in both the law of the Church and the law of the State.

[iii.] Unless otherwise provided in the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese or District, the Judge or Judges of an ecclesiastical court may fix the rules of procedure of his or their court.

III. [i.] The following are impediments to marriage:

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood) within the following degrees:
   
   (a) One may not marry his ascendant or descendant.
   (b) One may not marry his sister.
   (c) One may not marry the sister or brother of his ascendant or the descendant of his brother or sister,

2. Lack of free consent of either party.
3. Mistake as to the identity of either party.
4. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exercise of intelligent choice.
5. Insanity of either party.
6. Failure of either party to have reached the age of puberty.
7. Impotence of either party undisclosed to the other.
8. The existence of venereal disease in either party.
9. Facts which would make the proposed marriage bigamous.

[ii.] No Minister, knowingly after due inquiry, shall solemnize any marriage if there exist at the time of marriage any impediment to a valid marriage, nor shall any member of this Church enter upon a marriage when any impediment exists.

[iii.] If, after a marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court, it shall be proved that, at the time of the marriage, any of the impediments existed, the ecclesiastical court having jurisdiction over marital cases in the Diocese or Missionary District in which one of the parties is domiciled may declare the marriage null.

[iiv.] A person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court and annulled by an ecclesiastical court, may be married by a Minister of this Church.

IV. Ministers of this Church shall be careful to secure the observance of the law of the State governing the civil contract of marriage in the place where the service shall be performed.

V. [i.] No Minister shall solemnize a marriage except in the presence of at least two witnesses.

[iii.] 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 by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

VI. If one party to a marriage so grievously offend the other that the security or permanence of the home is imperiled, it shall be the duty of the offended party, before instituting legal proceedings of any nature, to lay the matter before a Minister of the Church; and it shall be the duty of such Minister to labor that the parties may be reconciled.

VII. 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. Nor 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 section 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 further that the ecclesiastical court of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the applicant is domiciled having inquired into the conduct of the parties concerned in the divorce and having examined the record of the court proceedings, including the decree, and particularly as to the proof of domicile, personal service or appearance of the parties to the action, shall declare in writing its judgment that the case of the applicant conforms to the requirement of this Canon. In such case a Min-
ister of this Church may solemnize the marriage; *Provided*, that it shall be within the discretion of any Minister to decline to solemnize any marriage.

It was decided to take it up Section by Section.

I. [i.] After the word "Parish" add "Mission or Congregation of this Church." Accepted.

[ii.] In the first line substitute "this" for "the". Accepted.

In the last line substitute "Christ's Church" for "the Christian Church". Accepted.

Mr. Page moved to strike out all of [ii.] except "No Minister of this Church shall solemnize a marriage unless he is assured that the parties thereto hold the Christian ideal of marriage."

On motion of Mr. Wickersham this was laid on the table by a vote: Ayes 253, Noes 210.

It was moved to add after the word "society" in the seventh line of the statement the words: "and we further declare that so far as we know no impediment to our marriage exists." This amendment was adopted.

II. [i.] Several amendments were offered and lost.

[ii.] Rev. Dr. Randall moved to amend the entire clause to read as follows: "The Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District shall have jurisdiction in all marital cases after seeking legal advice." The motion was lost.

Mr. James moved to strike out all of § II. [ii.]. On motion of Mr. Parker the vote on this motion was postponed until § III. and § VII. have been considered.

III. [i.] Rev. Dr. Johnston moved to omit from Item 7 the words "undisclosed to the other". Lost.

On motion of Mr. Seymour the Session was extended until 5:45.

[iii.] Mr. Mann of Southern Virginia proposed an amendment which was lost.

[iv.] Mr. Mann of Southern Virginia proposed a substitute for the whole clause which was lost.

IV. No amendments.

V. No Amendments.

VI. Dr. Dibble proposed an amendment which was lost.

The House stood adjourned.
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:

The Rev. Mr. Craig of Montana and Mr. Balthis of Western North Carolina.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved, Until further ordered that on all matters coming up for action during the remainder of this session the General Debate shall be limited to one hour, at the expiration of which ten (10) minutes shall be allowed the Spokesman for the measure to close the debate and the vote on the main question, including all amendments shall then be taken under the provisions of Rule 18.

Resolved further, That in the consideration of such matters all individual speeches shall be limited to five (5) minutes.

Resolved, That the pending unfinished order of the day be taken up immediately after the head of Petitions and Memorials in the regular Order of Business.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 45.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Secretary of the House of Bishops acknowledge for the Convention the communication containing the Christian greetings of the Presbytery of Denver; and to send to the Presbytery of Denver the Christian greetings of this Convention.

The text of the communication follows:

TO THE FIFTIETH TRIENNIAL GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH:

On behalf of the Presbytery of Denver of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, we convey to the fiftieth triennial General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church our Christian greetings. We are thankful for your position in the Christian world and for your influence in the kingdom of our Lord. We pray that all the sessions of your Convention may be inspired by the Spirit of God and that your deliberations may issue to the glory of His name.
May you be endued with wisdom to deal with the vexing questions of the present times which call for a renewal of moral passion and spiritual power. We seek with you a fresh baptism of the Holy Spirit to the end that Christ, the Great Head of the Church, may reign in us and over us.

Cordially yours,
(Signed) THOMAS MURRAY, Moderator
J. MONT TRAVIS, Stated Clerk
GEO. R. EDMUNDSION, Permanent Clerk

September 21, 1931.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

MESSAGE No. 46.
Seventh Day of Session;
SEPTEMBER 23RD, 1931.

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. 36 relative to the fixing of quotas.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 47.
Seventh Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 23RD, 1931.

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 recommending that the Budget proposed by the National Council in the sum of $4,225,000 be adopted for the year 1932.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 48.
Seventh Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 23RD, 1931.

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 recommending that the Budget for the years 1933 and 1934 be on the same basis as that of 1932 except that the National Council be authorized to add to the budget for 1933 and 1934 such sums with two and one-half percent increase over the Budget of the preceding year as the pledges of 1932 or 1933 respectively may justify.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 49.
Seventh Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 23RD, 1931.

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, recommending that the National Council be authorized to prepare a tentative Budget and Program for 1935.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 50.
Seventh Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 23RD, 1931.

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 with the following exceptions:
Include in first sentence the words "and Missionary work in Aided Dioceses" after the words "Foreign Missionary Districts" so that the first sentence shall read: "That if and when cuts in the Budget of $4,225,000 become necessary, after various dioceses have reported, that the work of the Church in her Continental, Extra-continental and Foreign Missionary Districts and Missionary work in Aided Dioceses be rated first in importance; etc." Also omit the last clause; namely, "and in the readjustment of appropriations to the work of the Church in the forty-one Aided Dioceses which in 1930 received $288,226.70 and in the Continental Missionary Districts."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

MESSAGE No. 51. Seventh Day of Session, September 23rd, 1931.

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. 32 recommending that the National Council be instructed to confine the appropriations for administration costs of the Council and its Departments to a sum not to exceed the appropriations for 1929.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 52. Seventh Day of Session, September 23rd, 1931.

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 be made in the Constitution and that this proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution:

Amend Article 2, Sec. 6, of the Constitution by adding the following to the present Article:

"Provided that this shall not apply to a Bishop resigning to accept other Episcopal election."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

MESSAGE No. 53. Seventh Day of Session, September 23rd, 1931.

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 recommending that the Commission for conference with the Methodist, Presbyterian and Lutheran Churches on Christian Morality in relation to Organic Unity be continued with power to fill vacancies and to confer with the representatives of these other Communions upon lines of approach to Unity other than specifically moral.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the two Committees on General Theological Seminary, one appointed by the House of Bishops, one by the House of Deputies, be constituted a Joint Commission of the two Houses, with power to fill vacancies; and

WHEREAS, It is 117 years since the Reverend Dr. Gadaden, later the fourth Bishop of South Carolina, offered the resolution in General Convention which brought the General Theological Seminary into being, and

WHEREAS, During that time, the Seminary has developed until under the present regime it has the strongest staff of Professors and the largest enrollment of students in its history and has evolved educational plans of the highest order, and

WHEREAS, The Joint Commission on the General Theological Seminary reports that $500,000 is the amount needed to complete the building and endowment fund asked for seven years ago, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Convention thank those who have so generously helped this cause and commends the General Theological Seminary to the prayers and support of the Faithful in the hope and expectation that the required sum may be speedily raised.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tempore.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on the General Theological Seminary.

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 of two (2) Bishops, two (2) Presbyters and two (2) Laymen be appointed for the translation and publication of the Book of Common Prayer in French, provided the necessary funds be raised through The Advance Program or in some other approved way.

The Chairman has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: The Bishop of Long Island, The Bishop of Haiti.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tempore.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on 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 we proceed with the election of a Presiding Bishop immediately following the election of Missionary Bishops on Friday, September 25, in the Church of St. Barnabas, and that we request the Nominating Committee to make its report so as to insure that the election may be held at that time and place.
MESSAGE No. 57.

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. 41 relative to the National Council making appropriations to aided Dioceses.

MESSAGE No. 58.

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

1. Resolved: The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby affirms its acceptance of the Declaration of the Lambeth Conference of 1930—Resolution 67—"That the Order of Deaconess is for women the one and only Order of the Ministry which we can recommend our Branch of the Catholic Church to recognize and use."

2. Resolved: The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby requests the Church Pension Fund to take all legal and financial steps necessary to secure pensions for the Deaconesses of the Church.

3. Resolved: The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission be continued and that its title be changed to the Commission on the Work of Deaconesses.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on the Church Pension Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 6. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Rev. Mr. Craig of Montana, elected as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Ashworth.

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 reports that it has organized by the election of H. H. Powell as Chairman and W. J. Battle as Secretary.

HERBERT H. POWELL, Chairman.

The same gentleman for the same Committee presented Report No. 2, concerning Message No. 32 of the House of Bishops, amending Article I, Sec. 3, which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented Report No. 3 concerning Message No. 38 of the House of Bishops amending Article II, Sec. 6, which was placed on the Calendar.
Mr. Seymour of the Committee on Canons presented Report No. 7-A, concerning proposed amendment to Canon 61, § I. [ii.], which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented Report No. 10, concerning a report of the Commission appointed at the Convention held in New Orleans, 1925, which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented Report No. 11, concerning proposed amendment to Canon 46, § V., which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented Report No. 12, concerning Message No. 42 of the House of Bishops, amending Canons 61, 17 and 18, which was placed on the Calendar.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented Report No. 13, concerning Message No. 42 of the House of Bishops amending Canon 61, § VI. [i.], which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Diller of Bethlehem presented the following resolution which was adopted.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that the Committee on the State of the Church be constituted an ad interim committee in order that it may be the better able to do its work.

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

The Rev. Mr. Stowell of the Committee on Memorial of Deceased Members presented:

REPORT No. 1. Committee on Memorials to Deceased Members met Tuesday, September 22nd and organized by appointing the Rev. Hanson A. Stowell of Arkansas, Chairman and the Rev. R. P. Phillips, of Southern Florida, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson of the Committee on Church Pension Fund presented the report of that Committee, which was placed on the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Robbins of the Joint Committee appointed to recommend a place of meeting of the next General Convention presented the following report:

REPORT No. 1. The Joint Committee, appointed to recommend a place of meeting of the next General Convention, reports that it has met and organized with the Bishop of Virginia as Chairman and the Rev. Dr. Robbins, of New York, Secretary. The Committee has received urgent invitations from the Diocese of Minnesota to meet in the City of Minneapolis, from the Diocese of New Jersey to meet in
Atlantic City, and from the Diocese of Ohio to meet in the City of Cleveland. The Committee will hold its next meeting at 2 P.M. today in the lobby of the room in the State Capitol reserved for the use of the House of Bishops.

H. C. Robbins, Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Stevenson of New Jersey presented a Memorial on the League of Nations which was referred to the Committee on National and World Problems.

The Rev. Mr. Poyner of South Carolina presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Social Service:

Since the motion picture show has become the most influential medium of expression in the world, and since about twenty million of our people attend the motion pictures, per day, and since about three fourths of this number are persons under twenty-four years of age, and since the motion picture is a greater influence in the development of the character, habits, dress, morals and general conduct of our youth than the public schools it appears to me that this Church should concern itself as to the character of the pictures to be shown to the public. I do therefore make the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention petition the Congress of the United States to enact a law providing Federal supervision of the Motion Pictures, requiring definite moral standards to be applied before production.

Mr. Smith of the Committee on Admission of New Dioceses presented Report No. 4 and the recommendation contained therein was adopted:

REPORT No. 4. Your committee begs to report that it has carefully compared the House of Bishop's Message No. 39 with reports Nos. 2 and 3 of this Committee, and finds that such Message No. 39 shows same action taken by the House of Bishops upon the Petition of the Diocese of Western New York for partition and creation of a new Diocese out of the eight Eastern Counties thereof; and the Joint Memorial of the Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey for change of boundaries between said Dioceses. Your Committee therefore recommends that the House of Deputies concur in Message No. 39 of the House of Bishops.

W. H. Milton, Chairman.

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

Mr. Pelham of Chicago presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on National and World Problems.

Conscious of the fact that the members of the Episcopal Church throughout the United States and over seas are anticipating the striking of a note of rededication to Christ and to the work of Christ, we, the House of Deputies and the House of Bishops concurring, submit the following resolution in the form of a declaration of our principles, that Christ alone is sufficient answer to the manifold problems that beset us in this time of world crisis, and that in fullest confidence in His inspiration we call upon the Church in General Convention as-
sembed to set apart a definite period of time to the consideration of the spiritualities of our belief in its application to world problems.

Arranging for a mass meeting towards this end, be it Resolved, That a representative committee of both houses be named by the Presiding Bishop in association with the President of the House of Deputies. The purpose of this resolution is the fear that the General Membership of the Church and the public at large may wrongfully infer that the General Convention is engaged in legislation to the relative exclusion of Evangelistic emphasis and conviction.

The House now resumed consideration of the Report of the Committee on Canons on the Proposed Revision of Canon 43.

Judge Parker of Massachusetts moved that § II. [ii.] be amended by striking out the words “and learned in both the law of the Church and the law of the state,” and substituting therefor the following: “qualified to deal with questions of Ecclesiastical and Civil law,” which was adopted.

Professor Beale of Massachusetts moved to further amend § II. [ii.] by adding at the end of the clause the following:

“The Court shall record its findings and a copy of the record shall be sent to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District.”

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Seymour then introduced § VII. of Canon 43. Professor Beale moved to strike out all after “VII” and substitute § VII. of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce, pages 24 and 25 of said report.

The Rev. Dr. Stetson offered the Minority Report on § VII. of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce as a substitute for Mr. Beale’s motion.

Mr. Beale moved that the order for the discussion be as follows:

1. Discussion of Dr. Stetson’s motion—one-half hour.
2. Discussion of Majority Report—one-half hour.
3. Dr. Stetson to have ten minutes, after which vote to be taken on his amendment.
4. Majority report to have ten minutes, after which vote to be taken.
5. If both amendments fail to carry, then the original report of the Committee on Canons is to be introduced.
Mr. Beale's motion carried.

The Rev. Dr. Stetson presented his amendment which was amended by the Rev. Dr. Dandridge, the amendment being accepted by the Rev. Dr. Stetson.

A call for vote by Dioceses and Orders from the Diocese of Minnesota resulted in the following:

Clergy—Ayes 33—Noes 28½—Divided 15.
Lay —Ayes 21—Noes 34½—Divided 12.

The amendment offered by the Rev. Dr. Stetson was, therefore, lost.

The vote on Mr. Beale's amendment was called for by Dioceses and Orders by the entire Lay Delegation of Western Michigan and resulted in the following:

Lay —Ayes 9½—Noes 43½—Divided 2.

The amendment offered by Mr. Beale was, therefore, lost.

Mr. Pearse of New Jersey offered a substitute for the entire § VII. which was lost.

The Rev. Dr. Stetson offered an amendment to the Report of the Committee on § VII., a new Clause [ii.] as follows:

[ii.] Any person whose former marriage has been dissolved for any cause by a civil court and who has been remarried by civil authority may apply to the ecclesiastical court of his or her domicile, for the recognition of his or her communicant status, or for the right to apply for Baptism or Confirmation in this Church. The Court shall thereupon inquire into the character of the parties to the previous and existing marriages and determine whether the welfare of society and the good of the parties will be served by such recognition.

In case of favorable decision, the court shall report its judgment to the Bishop and no impediment shall exist to the admission of such person to Holy Baptism, Confirmation or the Holy Communion in the Church, and a Minister of this Church, may, in his discretion, bless the parties to the union. Provided that it shall be within the discretion of any minister to decline to solemnize any marriage.

The amendment was carried by a vote of 280 to 115.

Mr. Seymour presented the following amendment to § III. [iii.] and the same was carried:

Strike out the words, "it shall be proved, that, at the time of the marriage, any of the impediments existed", and substitute therefor the following: "for any of the impediments set forth in this section."

The House stood adjourned at six o'clock.
NINTH DAY

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL,

SEPTEMBER 25, 1931.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. 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 Rev. Mr. Riley of Western Nebraska, and the Rev. Mr. Simpson of Arizona. Mr. Gerhart of Tennessee.

Mr. Matheson of Marquette was appointed in place of the Rev. Mr. Quinn on the Committee on Unfinished Business.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the pending Special Order of the Day brought over from yesterday, namely the proposed revision of Canon 43 be taken up this morning next after Reports of Special Committees.

Resolved further, That one-half hour, or so much thereof as may be necessary be allowed for the submission of any proposed amendments which shall be acted on without debate, except that the mover of any amendment be allowed three (3) minutes to explain its object, and that two (2) minutes be allowed Committee Chairman for reply if he so desires.

Resolved further, That the General Debate upon this matter be then declared closed and that the House shall then proceed immediately to take the vote upon this matter under the provisions of Rule 18.

Resolved further, That in all other matters coming up for action today the General Debate shall be limited to one hour and individual speeches to three (3) minutes.

Resolved, That the morning session of this House for tomorrow, Saturday, be from 9 A.M. to 1:30 P.M. and that the proposed session for tomorrow afternoon be dispensed with.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

REPORT No. 7. The Committee on elections begs leave to report that the Rev. Mr. Simpson of the Missionary District of Arizona appointed as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Lane; that the Rev. Mr. Riley of the Missionary District of Western Nebraska, elected as Alternate Deputy of this General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Lee and that Mr. Gerhart of the Diocese of Tennessee appointed as an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Crownover.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.
The Rev. Dr. Powell of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution presented Report No. 4 concerning House of Bishops Message No. 52 amending Article II, Sec. 6, of the Constitution, which was placed on the Calendar.

Mr. Seymour of the Committee on Canons presented the following Reports:

REPORT No. 14. Your Committee to which was referred Message No. 37 from the House of Bishops, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurs with the House of Bishops, That Canon 13, § I. [ii.] be amended by inserting in line 8, the words "or President of the Province," so that it shall read "by himself or the President of the Province and two other Bishops of this Church, or by three Bishops, etc."

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

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

REPORT No. 15. Your Committee, to which was referred a proposed amendment to Canon 7, § VI. [i.] by the addition of (c) and (d), reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 7, § VI. [i.] be amended so as to read as follows:

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.

or

(c) Three Presbyters of this Church who have known the candidate for the space of three years last past; or

(d) Should the candidate within the space of three years last past have been a Minister or Licentiate in some other body of Christians, by three Presbyters of this Church as to the period during which he has been a candidate, and by six adult male members in good standing of the denomination from which the candidate came, as to the period within the space of three years last past, before he became a candidate.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted:

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

REPORT No. 16. Your Committee to which was referred memorials from the Diocese of Atlanta, Diocese of Los Angeles, Diocese of
Rhode Island, Diocese of Harrisburg, Diocese of Pittsburgh, Diocese of Central New York, Diocese of Tennessee, Diocese of Springfield, Diocese of West Texas and the Diocese of Chicago, asking that Canon 44, § I. be amended in such wise as to extend the application thereof to baptized members of this Church other than communicants, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 44, § I. "Of Regulations respecting the Laity" be amended by inserting in lines 1-8-12-15-17-20 and 22, after the word, "communicant" the words "or baptized member" so that the Canon will read:

§ I. [i.] A communicant or baptized member 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 or baptized member 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 or baptized member may remove shall enroll him or her as a communicant or baptized member when such certificate is presented, or, on failure to produce such certificate through no fault of such communicant or baptized member, upon other evidence of his or her being such a communicant or baptized member, sufficient in the judgment of said Rector or Minister, Notice of such enrollment in such Parish or Congregation to which such communicant or baptized member shall have removed, shall be sent by the Rector or Minister thereof to the Rector of the Parish from which the communicant or baptized member is removed.

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted:

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 52.]

REPORT No. 17. Your Committee to which was referred a memorial from the Diocese of Western Massachusetts regarding marriage and divorce, requesting the General Convention not to pass any legislation to permit the clergy of this Church to remarry divorced persons under any circumstances, reports that it has considered the same, and considers no action was necessary, as it was just brought in for the information of the Committee, and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

REPORT No. 18. Your Committee, to which was referred a resolution submitted by the Rev. Dr. Beekman of Paris, France, asking that the American Churches in Europe be classified with the Domestic rather than with the Foreign Field, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution.
Resolved, That this request be referred to the Presiding Bishop and National Council for consideration and report.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

REPORT No. 19. Your Committee to which was referred a proposed amendment submitted by Mr. Runk of Pennsylvania, to Canon 43, "Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony" by adding thereto as follows: "At the same time said parties shall present to said Minister medical certificates to the effect that each is free from any mental or physical impediment to marriage," reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That inasmuch as the subject matter was proposed to and rejected by the House when considering the Canon, that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Jones presented the Report of the Joint Committee of the two Houses on the General Theological Seminary, and the nominations contained therein were approved:

Report of a Joint meeting of the Committees of the Two Houses on the General Theological Seminary held at the Denver Club on Tuesday, September 22nd, 1931.

The Rt. Rev. Paul Matthews, D.D., was elected Chairman. The Rev. Dr. Jones of Long Island was appointed Secretary.

On motion it was resolved that the following resolution be presented for action in both Houses.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the two Committees on the General Theological Seminary be constituted a Joint Commission on the General Theological Seminary with power to fill vacancies.

The Trustees of the General Theological Seminary from both Houses were duly nominated.

J. CLARENCE JONES, Secretary.

Nominations of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary from the House of Deputies:


Nominations made at a Joint Meeting of the Committees from both Houses on the General Theological Seminary.

J. CLARENCE JONES, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Allen of the Committee on Missions presented the following Report, which was adopted:
REPORT No. 3. WHEREAS, Unprecedented floods in central China during the summer of 1931 have resulted in great loss of life, widespread suffering and considerable loss of Mission property,

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention inform the Church of the immediate necessity of caring, so far as may be possible, for the physical needs of our fellow Christians in China and of providing for reconstruction of our damaged and destroyed Mission property.

Further Resolved, That the National Council is instructed to take such steps as may be necessary to give to all our people an early opportunity to make their offerings for the foregoing purposes.

Further Resolved, That the Bishops of Shanghai, Anking and the Suffragan Bishop of Hankow are asked to convey to the people of the Church in China the deep sympathy of the Church in the United States in this time of suffering and sorrow.

ALEXANDER ALLEN, Chairman

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

The same gentleman for the same Committee presented Report No. 4, concerning work in India, which was placed on the Calendar.

Dr. Silver of the Committee on the Prayer Books presented the following Message from the House of Bishops as Report No. 4 and the recommendation attached thereto was adopted:

MESSAGE No. 55. Seventh Day of Session,
SEP'TEMBER 23RD, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission of two (2) Bishops, two (2) Presbyters, and two (2) Laymen be appointed for the translation and publication of the Book of Common Prayer in French, provided the necessary funds be raised through The Advance Program or in some other approved way.

The Committee recommends that the House of Deputies concur.

H. PERCY SILVER, Chairman.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

Rev. Dr. Gummey of Philadelphia, Rev. Dr. Gates of New York, Mr. Sturgis of Colorado, Mr. Minot of Massachusetts.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 113.]

Mr. Block of Missouri presented the Report of the Joint Commission on dissolution of Pastoral Relations, which he asked be referred to the Committee on Canons and it was so referred:

The Joint Commission to take under consideration the question relative to the dissolution of Pastoral Relations, met and organized by electing the Right Reverend Robert C. Jett as Chairman, and
Mr. George M. Block as Secretary and after full consideration, makes the following Report.

First, Resolved, That we recommend that Canon 42, be repealed and that in lieu of Canon 42, the following be adopted as a Canon of the Church to be designated Canon 42, said new Canon 42 to read as follows:

§ I. A Rector or Minister may resign his Parish without the consent of the Parish, its Vestry or its Trustees, whichever may be authorized to act in the premises. No Rector or Minister canonically or lawfully elected and in charge of a Parish may be removed therefrom except as hereinafter provided, but no such removal shall be in contravention of any right of any Rector, Minister, Parish, Congregation or Vestry under the law of the Civil Authority.

§ II. In the event of dissention or disagreement between the Rector or Minister and the Vestry, Congregation or Trustees of his Parish, involving the peace and welfare of the Parish and no adequate action is taken within a reasonable time by either party to correct such dissensions, it shall be the duty of the Bishop to endeavor to adjust the existing differences. If they cannot be settled by the Bishop's godly judgment, then it shall be the duty of the Bishop with the advice, consent, and co-operation of the Standing Committee, or Council of Advice, in a manner to be determined by them, to endeavor to adjust whatever differences may exist in order to insure the peace and happiness of the Rector and his Congregation and the proper conduct of the affairs of said Parish.

§ III. Whenever the effort on the part of the Bishop and Standing Committee or Council of Advice fails to reconcile existing differences, and to restore the normal life and the amicable administration of said Parish, then the judgment of the Bishop and Standing Committee or Council of Advice, acting concurrently, shall be either that the pastoral relation between the parties shall cease and determine, or that the said relation shall not be terminated, and it shall be the duty of both parties to abide by such judgment. In such cases if the Diocese or Missionary District be vacant, or if from any reason the Bishop be unable to act, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall select a Bishop of another Diocese or Missionary District to act as such Bishop and with like power, authority and effect. In case such concurrent judgment cannot be reached, the judgment of the Bishop shall prevail, and it shall be the duty of both parties to abide by his judgment; and it shall be the duty of the Bishop to make a record thereof.

§ IV. In the event of the refusal of the Rector to abide by the judgment of such Bishop and Standing Committee or Council of Advice, his Rectorship shall terminate at a time and upon terms specified and declared by such Bishop and Standing Committee or Council of Advice.

§ V. Whenever a Rectorship shall be so terminated, and such Rector be not otherwise disqualified, it shall become the duty of the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District in which such Clergyman is canonically resident to secure for him, if possible, other work within his jurisdiction, or elsewhere.

§ VI. Whenever a Parish, its Vestry, or Trustees shall refuse to abide by such judgment, the said Parish shall be denied representation in the Councils of the Church until such time as a mutually satisfactory adjustment shall have been effected. The status, during
the period of refusal shall continue to be subject to the provisions of § II. and § III. of Canon 50.

Mr. Barnes, Treasurer of the Convention, presented his report which he asked be referred to the Committee on Expenses and it was so referred.

The House resumed consideration of amendments to the Report of the Committee on Canons on the Proposed Revision of Canon 43 as follows:

§ I. as previously amended was adopted.

§ II. A vote being taken, the Section was adopted as previously amended by a vote of 301 to 134.

§ III. Mr. Raymond of Albany moved that the word “annulled” in the second line be changed to “declared null”, which amendment was accepted by the Committee.

An amendment suggested was also accepted by the Committee, that the words “may be married” in Clause [iv.] be changed to “may have his marriage solemnized”. § III. with the foregoing amendments was adopted.

§ IV. adopted.

§ V. adopted.

§ VI. adopted.

§ VII. The Committee offered an amendment to § VII. by adding after “marriage” in the fourth line the words “except as provided in § III”. This amendment was carried. Request being made that the House vote on the two clauses of § VII. separately, Clause [i.] was adopted and Clause [ii.] was adopted, and the Section as a whole was adopted.

The entire Clerical Deputation of Southern Virginia moved that a vote be taken by Dioceses and Orders on the entire Report, and the report as a whole was adopted by a vote of

Clerical—Ayes 52½—Noes 18—Divided 7
Lay—Ayes 34½—Noes 24—Divided 5

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 59.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 13, § I. [iii.] be amended by inserting in line 23 the words "or President of the Synod" so that it shall read "by himself or the President of the Synod and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops, etc."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 60. Eighth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 24TH, 1931.

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

WHEREAS, There has been presented to the Committee on Program and Budget the questions of the apparent disparity between both quotas and appropriations to Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses of evidently like missionary opportunities; and

WHEREAS, This Committee has discovered that the matter is the concern of many and definitely worthy of careful study, but due to its tremendous scope is quite beyond definite action at this Convention;

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission of five Bishops, five Presbyters and ten Laymen be appointed by the Presiding Bishop and the Chairman of the House of Deputies to which shall be committed the following duties:

First, A definite and practical study of the actual missionary needs and opportunities in the several Continental Missionary Districts, together with the present use of Missionary appropriations to meet these opportunities.

Second, A definite and practical study of the local receipts and expenditures with the Missionary Districts, and their relation to assigned quotas and the payment of the quotas.

Third, A definite and practical study of the actual Missionary needs and opportunities in the several dioceses receiving appropriations from the National Council, together with the present use of these Missionary appropriations to meet these opportunities.

Fourth, A definite and practical study of the local receipts and expenditures within the Aided Dioceses with special reference to endowments relative strength of Parishes in the Dioceses and extent of territory; and their relation to assigned quotas and the payment of these quotas.

It is further suggested in order to make these studies more complete that this commission seek in each of the eight provinces, after consultation with the Bishops, the aid of a group especially well informed concerning the districts and dioceses in question.

Be it further Resolved, That the report of the above commission be submitted to the Presiding Bishop to be by him transmitted to the National Council and to the Chairman of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, at least, one year prior to the General Convention of 1934 which shall study the report with especial regard to:

First, Appropriations to both Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses
Second, Quotas for both Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses; and,

Third, Other recommended economies of Diocesan Administration such as the combination or rearrangement of Districts and Dioceses.

Be it further Resolved, That the National Council be requested to provide the necessary actual expenses for this Commission.

The Chairman has appointed, as members on the part of this House: the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of San Joaquin, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, the Bishop of Kansas.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message and the President appointed as members on the part of this House: Rev. Dr. Johnston of Washington, Rev. Mr. Foster of Colorado, Rev. Mr. Trowbridge of New Mexico, Rev. Mr. Wragg of Atlanta, Rev. Mr. Bunting of Missouri, Mr. Lee of California, Mr. Sayre of New York, Mr. Mann of Northern Virginia, Mr. Kearny of Louisiana, Mr. Swain of South Dakota, Mr. Pratt of Oklahoma, Mr. Moon of Eau Claire, Mr. Monten of Los Angeles, Mr. McBean of Marquette, Mr. Peterkin of West Virginia.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 146.]


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 Religious Services, to consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, be appointed to arrange for the devotions of the next General Convention, in advance of its meeting, and that all plans for such devotions made by the local Committee of Arrangements, or by others before being adopted, be referred to that Commission.

The Chairman has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop of Atlanta, the Bishop of Vermont.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message and the President appointed as members on the part of this House: The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York, the Rev. Dr. Osgood of Minnesota, Mr. Barber of Chicago, Mr. Pearse of New York, Mr. Johnson of Colorado.

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


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. 46, relative to the Committee on the State of the Church being constituted an ad interim committee.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the consecration of the Rev. Frederick Grandy Budlong, S. T. D. to be Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Connecticut.

Attest: John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Consecration of Bishops.

At this point, the Secretary received from the House of Bishops the certificates of election of three 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 Denver, and in the State of Colorado, did, on the twenty-fifth day of September in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, in conformity with Canon 14, Section II. [i], make choice of the Reverend John Boyd Bentley to be a Suffragan Bishop of the Church in the Missionary District of Alaska.

James Dewolf Perry, Bishop Presiding.

Attest: John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

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 Denver, and in the State of Colorado, did, on the twenty-fifth day of September in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, in conformity with Canon 14, Section II. [i], make choice of the Reverend Efrain Salinas to be a Suffragan Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Mexico.

James Dewolf Perry, Bishop Presiding.

Attest: John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

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 Denver, and in the State of Colorado, did, on the twenty-fifth day of September in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, in con-
formity with Canon 14, § II. [i.], make choice of the Reverend Frederick Bethone Bartlett to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of North Dakota.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Bishop Presiding.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE NO. 67.

Ninth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has elected the Rt. Rev. James DeWolf Perry, D.D., S.T.D., as Presiding Bishop of the Church. (See page 314.)

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

Dr. Mansfield of Connecticut presented the following resolutions which were referred to the Committee on Expenses:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Recorder for services in recording the Ordinations in the Church, the sum of $150.00 per annum and for expenses, a sum not exceeding $150.00 for the triennial period.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Historiographer for services connected with his office, the sum of $150.00 per annum and for expenses a sum not exceeding $150.00 for the triennial period.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Treasurer be authorized to pay for the expenses of the Committee on Budget and Program a sum not to exceed $100.00.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That an appropriation not exceeding the sum of $1,000.00 be made towards the expenses of entertaining the Lord Bishop of St. Albans, the guest of and the preacher at this General Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers of Western North Carolina presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Social Service:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we hereby address to The Congress of the United States the following petition.

To the Senate and House of Representatives, of the United States of America:

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in General Convention Assembled, respectfully petitions your honorable body to enact a law for the Federal Supervision of motion pictures in interstate commerce establishing higher moral standards to be applied before pictures are filmed, at the source of production, by means of a Federal Commission similar to the method by which the Radio, National Banks and Railroads are regulated.

It is believed that we are on the threshold of some of the most revolutionary changes, of an economic, social and moral character, which the world has ever seen.

We are anxious to ensure that the greatest world-wide publicity and educational medium shall do its part in establishing a progressive and higher civilization.
We believe that only such a centralized authority as the United States Government can wisely and effectively regulate the centralized Motion Picture Industry for the whole of the United States and other Nations of the World, as well, in the interest of World Peace and moral standards because at least 80% of all films shown in the Nations of the World are produced in our land.

We believe that if the industry will co-operatively submit to such friendly legislation for the general welfare, as is proposed, it will win greater confidence of parents, will receive increased patronage and reap greater financial returns.

We therefore make our petition in the interests of World Peace and harmonious international relations, for the preservation and advancement of American ideals and for the extension of Christian morality and civilization.

The Rev. Dr. Lumpkin of Milwaukee presented the following resolution which was referred to the Commission on Evangelism:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies, realizing the incalculable value of a well developed and prayerfully organized evangelistic program in this Church, do hereby commend most heartily the work of the Commission on Evangelism, and do urge upon the Dioceses and Parishes of the Church full co-operation with the ideals and efforts of the Commission, to the intent that witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and His Power in the lives of men may be more truly made, not only to our own people, but to the Nations as a whole.

The same gentleman presented a resolution on the attendance of Deputies and Alternates at General Conventions which was placed on the Calendar.

Dr. Anderson moved that resolutions No. 2 and No. 3 of the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be adopted.

RESOLUTION No. 2.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Commission be continued with the understanding that it will co-operate with other agencies to secure a scientific study of the subject of marriage and divorce, including the study of moral and religious factors, and also to further every undertaking which looks to education for Christian marriage; and that for the purpose of its work the Commission have power to add to its number.

In view of the fact that a Committee of this Commission, at considerable expense, has made a comprehensive and careful study of the Corpus Juris Canonicai, and of the authorities on the Canon Law of the English Church, this Commission offers

RESOLUTION No. 3.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be requested to prepare and publish a digest of said Canon law.

The above resolutions were adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Block of the Committee on Budget and Program moved that we concur with the House of Bishops in its
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Message No. 50 amending our Message No. 24, which was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 73.]

The Rev. Dr. Block of the Committee on Budget and Program presented the following resolutions:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention approves the use of the undesignated legacies received by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society for the construction, improvement, enlargement and equipment of buildings to be used for Missionary purposes whether in Missionary Districts or in Dioceses needing aid; for the payment of expenses of promoting the Advance Work Program, and for the establishment of retiring funds for Church workers in the employ of the Missionary Society and for like purposes of a permanent character.

The foregoing resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 62.]

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be, and it is hereby instructed, when it makes known the 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, and that the National Council send such notices to the Bishop and Treasurer of each Diocese and Missionary District.

The foregoing resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 61.]

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.

Paid Parish Visitors.

Paid Parish Secretary.

Sexton or Janitor.

Assistants to Sexton or Janitor.

All Other Parish Workers (excluding 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.

The foregoing resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 65.]
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.

The foregoing resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 64.]

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.

The foregoing resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 63.]

The following statement was presented by the Rev. Dr. Block of the Committee on Budget and Program:

STATEMENT OF THE SECRETARY.
This Convention has by concurrent action, approved a Budget of $4,225,000.
The Convention has adopted the quotas and the method of distribution of the same.
Meanwhile, in public hearings and by reference from the House of Deputies, various appeals have been made to this Committee for new appropriations not now included in the Budget and for increases in present Budget items. With regard to the former, the Committee does not feel competent to evaluate them and esteems it hazardous to a degree to imperil the Maintenance Budget.
We plan to recommend most sympathetically these moving appeals to the earnest consideration of the National Council for action insofar as their judgment and their funds will permit them to comply with these requests.
All proposals submitted to this House asking for increased appropriations in items included in the adopted Budget and referred to our Committee are being taken under serious consideration and will be reported back with definite recommendations to this House as soon as we have received information that by concurrent action of both Houses, such cuts in items of the adopted Budget have been made as will provide sources from which recommended increases might thus be available.

Report No. 4 of the Committee on Canons being taken from the Calendar together with Message No. 28 from the House of Bishops, the following action was taken:

MESSAGE No. 28 from the House of Bishops:
Canon 60, § I. Concur.
Canon 60, § II. Concur.
Canon 60, § III. Concur.
Canon 61, § I. [ii.]. Concur.
Canon 61, § II. [i.]. Concur.

Canon 61, § II. An amendment was made by Mr. Sayre to strike out the words in the second paragraph "by the General Convention, or" so that the paragraph begins "no member of the Council elected by a Provincial Synod, etc." The Convention concurred in the Message as amended.

Canon 61, § II. [iii.]. A new resolution in its place adopted found herein.

Canon 61, § III. [i.]. Concur.

Canon 61, § IV. [ii.]. Concur.

Canon 61, § IV. [v.]. Concur.

Canon 61, § V. [i.]. Concur.

THAT Canon 60, § I. be amended so as to read as follows:

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."

THAT Canon 60, § II. be amended so as to read as follows:

"The National Council, as constituted by Canon, shall be its Board of Directors, and shall adopt by-laws for its government not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons."

THAT Canon 60, § III. be amended so as to read as follows:

"The officers of the Society shall be President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers as may be appointed in accordance with the Canons or by-laws. The President shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church, elected in accordance with the Constitution, and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Presiding Bishop, caused by death, resignation or inability to serve, the Presiding Officer of the National Council shall be ex-officio President of the Society. The two Vice-Presidents shall be the persons who are the Vice-Presidents of the National Council and they shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them 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 other officers of the Society shall be such as are provided for by the by-laws thereof. 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."

THAT Canon 61, § I. [ii.]. be amended so as to read as follows:

"The Presiding Bishop shall be, ex-officio, the President of the Council. In case of a vacancy in the office of the Presiding Bishop, caused by death, resignation or in case of inability to serve, so much of his duties as pertain to the National Council shall be performed by the First Vice-President of the National Council, or in case of his death, resignation or inability to serve, the Second Vice-President of the National Council as President thereof, to serve until a Presiding
Bishop shall have been elected in accordance with the constitution and shall have taken office."

THAT Canon 61, § II. [i.] be amended so as to read as follows:

"The National Council, herein referred to as the Council, shall be composed of sixteen members elected by the General Convention of whom four shall be Bishops, four shall be Presbyters, and eight shall be Laymen, two Bishops, two Presbyters, and four Laymen to be elected at each triennial meeting of the General Convention; 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, the Vice-Presidents and the Treasurer of the Council shall be ex-officio members thereof."

THAT Canon 61, § II. [ii.] be amended so as to read as follows:

"The term of office of the members of the Council elected by the General Convention (other than the ex-officio members) shall be six years, commencing on the ensuing first day of January and the term of office of the members elected by the Provincial Synods shall be three years, commencing on the first day of January following the ensuing regular meeting of the General Convention, and all such members shall remain in office until their duly elected successors are entitled, respectively, to assume their offices.

"No member of the Council, elected by a Provincial Synod, who, at the expiration of his then current term will have served for six consecutive years shall be eligible for immediate re-election.

"Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the death or resignation of a member elected by the General Convention or through the change in status of any such member by consecration or ordination the Council shall fill such vacancy by the election of a suitable person to serve until his successor is elected by General Convention. The General Convention shall elect a suitable person to serve the portion of any term which will remain unexpired.

"Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the failure of any Provincial Synod to elect a member, or through the death, resignation or removal from the Province, of any such member, the President and Executive Council of the Province shall appoint a suitable person, canonically resident in such Province, to serve until the Provincial Synod shall by election, fill the vacancy."

THAT Canon 61, § II. [iii.] the Second Paragraph thereof be amended so as to read as follows:

"In its capacity as the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society the Council shall adopt by-laws for the government of said Society and shall have the power to direct the disposition of the monies and other property of said Society in accordance with the provisions of this Canon and the orders and budgets adopted or approved by the General Convention."

THAT Canon 61, § III. [i.] be amended so as to read as follows:

"The Presiding Bishop shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, two male communicants of the Church, either clerical or lay, to be Vice-Presidents of the Council who shall be ex-officio members thereof. They shall be designated by the President and the Council as First and Second Vice-President, respectively. Each of such Vice-Presidents shall be the Vice-Chairman and a member of
such of the Departments, organized under the provisions of § V. hereof, as may be assigned by the President and Council to his charge, and shall perform such other duties as may from time to time be assigned by the Presiding Bishop.

That Canon 61, § IV. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The Presiding Bishop and the Council shall appoint such Assistant Treasurers as may be necessary, to hold office during their pleasure, and until their successors are appointed."

That Canon 61, § IV. [v.] be hereby amended by striking out the entire clause which reads as follows:

"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."

That Canon 61, § V. [i.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The Council shall organize the following executive Departments and shall define their duties:

First: A Department of Domestic Missions.
Second: A Department of Foreign Missions.
Third: A Department of Religious Education.
Fourth: A Department of Christian Social Service.
Fifth: A Department of Finance.
Sixth: A Department of Publicity.
Seventh: A Field Department.

"The Council shall have power to combine existing departments or organize and define the duties of such other departments as the work may demand."

The House concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 28 with the amendment to Canon 61, § II. [ii.] and the amendment to Canon 61, § II. [iii.].

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 83.]

No. 55 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 13 of the Committee on Canons, together with Message No. 42 from the House of Bishops, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 42 with the amendment proposed by the Committee on Canons.

Report No. 13. Your Committee, to which was referred Message No. 42 from the House of Bishops, further reports that it has considered the proposed amendment to Canon 61, § VI. [i.] and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 61, § VI. [i.] be hereby amended to read as follows:

"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 request of the Presiding Officer or at the written request of any nine members thereof."

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.
THAT Canon 61, § V. (ii.) be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Each Department may appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, additional members as provided by the By-Laws, 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."

THAT Canon 61, § V. be hereby amended by adding a new clause to be numbered (v.) which shall read as follows:

"[v.] The Council shall also organize an Advisory Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, with such officers attached thereto as the Presiding Bishop and the National Council may from time to time determine."

THAT Canon 61, § VI. [ii.] be hereby amended in the last sentence so as to read as follows:

"The Council shall be convened at the request of the Presiding Officer and any nine members thereof."

THAT Canon 61, § VI. [i.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"Nine elected members of the Council shall be necessary to constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Council."

THAT Canon 61, § VII. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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."

THAT Canon 61, § VIII. [ii.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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 Council shall have the power to expend all sums of money covered by the budget and estimated budgets approved by the Convention, subject to such restrictions as may be imposed by General 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 Council, the need for which may have arisen after the action of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the Council its income will warrant."

THAT Canon 61, § XI. be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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 in exceptional cases."

THAT Canon 17, § II. be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"The Presiding Bishop, when elected according to the provisions of Article I, Sec. 3, of the 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. Except that when a Presiding
Bishop has been elected by the House of Bishops to fill a vacancy, as provided for in the second paragraph of Article I, Sec. III. of the Constitution, the Presiding Bishop elected by the next General Convention shall take office immediately."

THAT Canon 18, § II. (ii.) be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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 President of his Province."

THAT Canon 18, § VII. (v.) be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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, less whatever allowance such Bishop may receive, from time to time, from the Church Pension Fund. Such retiring allowance may be revised whenever such retired Bishop shall receive a regular stipend from any ecclesiastical employment."

THAT Canon 18, § VIII. be amended so as to read as follows:

"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 except the Canons entitled, 'Of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society,' and 'Of the Presiding Bishop and the National Council.'"

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

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 68. Ninth Day of Session, September 25th, 1931.

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

WHEREAS, The Geneva Treaty Convention of 1931, negotiated by delegates from 57 nations, limits the manufacture of dangerous narcotic drugs to the amounts required for legitimate medical and scientific purposes, and prescribes measures of national control necessary for carrying out the provisions of the convention, and

WHEREAS, The illicit narcotic drug traffic, through world-wide smuggling operations and its armies of drug addict slaves, is extorting from
society annually hundreds of millions of dollars, laying upon mankind an incalculable economic burden and a tragic burden of suffering, degeneracy and crime, endangering the public health, the public morals and the public safety, menacing the foundations of modern civilization.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the illicit narcotic drug traffic should be placed in the same category as piracy, and destroyed, and to this end we petition the Congress of the United States for prompt and effective action in the necessary ratification of the Geneva Convention, and enactment of legislation for its enforcement, and we petition the legislatures of the several states for the enactment as soon as practicable of an adequate uniform narcotic defense law to put into operation the full police power of the nation, and

Further, Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring. That we commend to the Dioceses and Parishes of this Church, and to other constructive organizations in America and in other lands such measures as they may deem necessary or advisable to hasten ratification and legislation everywhere to the end that the peoples of the earth may present a united front to this common enemy.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the custodian of the Book of Common Prayer is hereby authorized to correct in the margin the Latin title to Psalm 119, Subsection XI., V 81 so that it may read “defecit anima mea” instead of “deficit” and that the custodian notify the publishers of the Book of the change.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

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 Canon 46, § VI., be amended by inserting in the fourth line the words “He shall hold office” the words “for three years or” so that the clause shall read “He shall hold office for three years or until his successor is elected.” etc.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

MESSAGE No. 70. Ninth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 25TH, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 46, § VI., be amended by inserting in the fourth line the words “He shall hold office” the words “for three years or” so that the clause shall read “He shall hold office for three years or until his successor is elected.” etc.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The President announced the appointment of Mr. Elliott of East Carolina in place of Mr. Rountree of the same Diocese on the Committee to Nominate Members of the National Council.

The Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York moved reconsideration of the action taken on the Message received from the House
of Bishops regarding the election of Bishops and asked that if the action is reconsidered the names be read. The action was reconsidered and the names were read.

Mr. Page of Virginia moved that we concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 67 on the election of the Presiding Bishop. The House concurred in the Message unanimously by a rising vote.

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

The Rev. Dr. Johnston of Washington moved that the House reconsider the action taken on the resolution on Ecclesiastical Relations, but the House voted not to reconsider.

No. 37 being taken from the Calendar, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Committee of the House of Bishops on the General Theological Seminary and the Committee of the House of Deputies on the General Theological Seminary be hereby constituted as a Joint Ad Interim Committee of the two Houses, with power to fill vacancies.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 67.]

Numbers 38 and 39 being taken from the Calendar, the resolutions contained in the following Report of the Committee on Missions were adopted:

REPORT No. 2. The Committee on Missions to which was referred the resolution expressing the deep gratitude of the Church to the children and the members of the Church Schools for the contribution of $1,600,000 toward the Church's Missionary work during the past triennium, report that they have considered the resolution and adopted some slight verbal changes and recommend its adoption as follows:

WHEREAS, The children and the members of the Church Schools through the Little Helpers, Birthday, Christmas and Lenten offerings have contributed the magnificent sum of $1,600,000 towards the Church's Missionary work during the past triennium,

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, first, that this Convention expresses to the children and the members of the Church Schools, its deep gratitude for their splendid and generous offering and assure them that it has been and will be expended primarily in feeding the hungry, clothing the naked, healing the sick, educating the ignorant and preaching the Gospel among the children of many races and in many lands, in the name of Him who said "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me."

Resolved, second, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to convey to the children and members of the Church Schools, in such manner as he shall see fitting, this expression of our gratitude.

The Committee on Missions further report that they have considered the resolution offered by Mr. Lee of California in reference to the disposition of the Good Friday Offering which was referred to this
Committee and have framed a substitute therefor which they report to
the Convention and recommend its adoption in the following form:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National
Council be instructed to pay annually the first $15,000.00 of the Good
Friday Offerings to the Jerusalem and the East Mission (in accord­
ance with its pledge of 1923); that any offerings over that sum shall
be intrusted to the National Council to be used in the work in the
Near East, and also that the National Council show in its annual re­
port the total amount received and how expended in each year.

ALEXANDER ALLEN, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Messages Nos. 69 and 68 respectively.]

No. 41 being taken from the Calendar, the amendment of
the Report of the Commission on Evangelism was referred
back to the Commission.

No. 42 being taken from the Calendar, the following resolu­
tions were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the loving con­
gratulations of this General Convention be extended to the American
Church Institute for Negros on its 25th Anniversary, and also
Resolved, That we express to the Rev. Robert W. Patton, D.D., our
hearty sympathy in his temporary illness and assure him of our
prayers.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 66.1

No. 43 being taken from the Calendar, resolution re nation­
wide subscription campaign for the support of the Church
press, it was placed back on the Calendar.

No. 44 being taken from the Calendar, the Rev. Mr. Powell
of Indianapolis withdrew his resolution asking that the House
reconsider the action on the Report of the Joint Commission
on Adapting the Office of Deaconess to Present Tasks of the
Church.

No. 45 being taken from the Calendar, the following resolu­
tion was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § II. of Canon 53
is hereby repealed, and the following sections of Canon 53 are renum­
bered to accord therewith.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 60.]

No. 46 being taken from the Calendar, House of Bishops
Message No. 36, vote on the Message was divided. The House
did not concur in the first resolution on Provincial members
on the four Departments of the National Council, but did con­
cur in the second resolution on provincial boundaries.
[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 72.]

No. 48 being taken from the Calendar, House of Bishops Message No. 41, the House concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message concerning the Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains.

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

No. 52 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 10 of the Committee on Canons, the House voted to postpone action on this Report and to leave it in the hands of the Committee on Despatch of Business for such order as they may see fit.

No. 53 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 11 of the Committee on Canons, the resolution attached to the Report was adopted unanimously:

REPORT No. 11. Your Committee to which was referred a petition introduced by the Rev. Dr. Maxon, a Memorial from the Diocese of Long Island introduced by Mr. Seymour; an amendment to Canon 46, § I., submitted by Mr. Wickersham; Report No. 2 from the Committee on the Prayer Book, and the resolution submitted by Dr. Stetson of New York, reports that they have considered the same and offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § V., of Canon 46 of the Standard Book of Common Prayer be amended to read as follows:

No copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer, or a part or parts thereof, 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. And no copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer or a part or parts thereof, shall be made, printed, published, or used as of authority in this Church, or certified as aforesaid, which contains or is bound up with any alterations or additions thereto or with any other matter, except the Holy Scriptures or the authorized Hymnal of this Church.

WM: D. MAXON, Chairman.

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

No. 40 being taken from the Calendar, Report of the Board of Church Finance, on motion of Mr. Anderson the Report was accepted and filed.

The Rev. Mr. Gomph of Newark presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Social Service:

WHEREAS, It is a matter of common knowledge that the moving picture houses of this country are frequented by great numbers of the
WHEREAS, It is also a matter of common knowledge that much that
is shown in the moving pictures is objectionable from a moral and
social point of view,

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this
Convention records its vigorous protest against the making and show­
ing of all pictures which depict criminal or salacious subject matter;
and earnestly urges that all producers of moving pictures in this coun­
try recognize their high moral and social obligation to the people of
the land, especially the youth; and further be it

Resolved, That this Convention calls all right-minded people to re­
frain from frequenting pictures which depict criminal or salacious
subjects.

The same gentleman presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce has ren­
dered great service to the citizenry of the whole country as well as
our Protestant Episcopal Church in their six years of careful and
prayerful consideration of this most difficult and vitally important sub­
ject and have presented to this Convention a report of great value;

Be it Resolved, That the members of this House of Deputies hereby
express their grateful appreciation of the labors of the Commission
and the thoughtful and high plane upon which it has been presented in
both the majority and minority reports.

The President announced the appointment of Mr. Monteagle
of California in place of Mr. Baker of New York on the Com­
mittee to nominate Trustees of the Church Pension Fund.

The House stood adjourned.

TENTH DAY

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL,
SEPTEMBER 26, 1931.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in
the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the ninth day
were read, and with corrections, approved.

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and
took their seats:

The Rev. Mr. Buckley of Utah and Messrs. Yount of Western North
Carolina, Brown of West Missouri, Thompson of Montana and
Stokes of New Jersey.
On motion of Dr. Anderson, the House went into Executive Session to consider the report of the Committee on Consecration of Bishops. The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of that 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 Ven. John Boyd Bentley as Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of Alaska respectfully reports that it has examined the Testimonials and found them canonically correct, and further after due inquiry, and with a serious sense of responsibility the Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the Consecration of the Ven. John Boyd Bentley to be Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of Alaska.

R. Bowden Shepherd, Chairman.

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

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 Ven. Efrain Salinas as Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of Mexico respectfully reports that it has examined the testimonials and found them canonically correct and further after due inquiry and with a serious sense of responsibility the Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the Consecration of the Ven. Efrain Salinas to be Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of Mexico.

R. Bowden Shepherd, Chairman.

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

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. Frederick Bethune Bartlett as Bishop of the Missionary District of North Dakota respectfully reports that it has examined the Testimonials and found them canonically correct, and further, after due inquiry and with a serious sense of responsibility the Committee recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the consent of this House be given to the Consecration of The Rev. Frederick Bethune Bartlett to be Bishop of the Missionary District of North Dakota.

R. Bowden Shepherd, Chairman.

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

The Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio presented the following suggested amendment to the Rules of Order which was
referred to the Committee on Rules of Order with the request that they make their report to this Convention:

Resolved, That a new section be added to the Rules of Order, to follow the section entitled "Messages from the House of Bishops," to be numbered 27; and the subsequent sections to be renumbered accordingly, the new section to read as follows:

Confirmation of Episcopal Elections:
1. The Confirmation of the election of the Presiding Bishop, or of any Bishop elected by a Diocese within three months next before the meeting of the General Convention, or of any Missionary Bishops, shall be considered in this House in Executive Session.
2. Upon the receipt of a message from the House of Bishops announcing an Episcopal election, the Order of Business shall be suspended, and the House shall go into Executive Session immediately.
3. Upon the request of the entire Clerical or Lay Representation from any Diocese the vote upon any confirmation shall be by individual secret ballot.

Be it further Resolved, That Sec. 37 be stricken out and the following sections renumbered accordingly.

Dr. 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.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That on all matters coming up for action today the General Debate shall be limited to one hour and all individual speeches to three (3) minutes.

Resolved further, That the Order of Business for today following after the head of Motions and Resolutions shall be as follows:
1. Report of Committee on Church Pension Fund.
3. Report No. 4 of the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.
4. House of Bishops Message No. 68 on Narcotics. Ten Minutes allowed Dr. Hobson to address the House.
5. Report No. 10 Committee on Canons on Procedure, etc.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

Report No. 8. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Mr. Yount of the Diocese of Western North Carolina, elected as an Alternate Deputy to General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Leavitt; that Mr. Stokes of the Diocese of New Jersey elected as an Alternate Deputy is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Whittemore; that the Rev. Mr. Buckley of the Missionary District of Utah, elected as an Alternate Deputy to the General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Butcher; that Mr. Thomson of the Diocese of Montana, elected as an Alternate Deputy to the General Convention is entitled
to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Haskins; and that Mr. Brown of the Diocese of West Missouri appointed as an Alternate Deputy to the General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Ashley.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

Mr. Seymour of the Committee on Canons presented the following Reports and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

REPORT No. 20. Your Committee, to which was referred Message No. 59 from the House of Bishops, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurs with the House of Bishops. That Canon 13, § 1. [iii.] be amended by inserting in line 23 the words "or President of the Synod," so that it shall read "by himself or the President of the Synod and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops, etc."

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 78.]

REPORT No. 21. Your Committee, to which was referred proposed amendments to Canon 43 "Of the Solemnization of Matrimony" submitted by Dr. Randall, of Chicago; Dr. Tucker of Virginia; and Dr. Capers, of Mississippi, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, that inasmuch as the subject matter of these proposed amendments is covered by the Committee's Report No. 9 on the Proposed Revision of Canon 43, "Of the Solemnization of Matrimony" already adopted by this House, that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

REPORT No. 22. Your Committee, to which was referred the Report of the Committee to which was referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces and all other matters pertaining thereto, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, that this matter having been disposed of by Message No. 37 from the House of Bishops this Committee be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The President announced the appointment of the following members of Committees:

Committee to Nominate Members of the National Council: Mr. Mason of Chicago, in place of Mr. Moon of Eau Claire; Mr. Taylor of Virginia, in place of Mr. Elliott of East Carolina.

Committee on Evangelism: Mr. Balthis of Western North Carolina in place of Mr. Blair of Alabama.

The Rev. Dr. Diller of the Committee on The State of the Church presented the following Report which was approved:

REPORT No. 4. The Committee on The State of the Church begs leave to report that it has organized as an Ad Interim Committee by appointing a sub-committee in each Province and in the Mission Field
to gather data and make observations annually so that at the next General Convention we may be able to make a report which will at least not be a mere reiteration of what has been said in other reports to this Convention.

The Chairman of the sub-committees in each Province are as follows:

First: Rev. Morgan Ashley of Vermont.
Third: Mr. E. B. Hodges of Southern Virginia.
Fifth: Rev. L. D. Hopkins of Fond du Lac.
Sixth: Rev. H. C. Benjamin of Colorado.
Seventh: Rev. Chas. F. Collins of Arkansas.
Eighth: Rev. Stanley T. Boggess of Spokane.

H. W. Diller, Chairman.

The Rev. Mr. Harvey of the Philippine Islands presented a Memorial from the Convocation of the Philippine Islands that the word "Protestant" be eliminated from the corporate, legal name, which was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

Mr. Booth of the Diocese of Michigan presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Commission on Architecture and Allied Arts, and the Commission on Architecture and Allied Arts of the Diocese of Colorado, be congratulated on the ecclesiastical art exhibition held at the Denver Museum during this Convention. The exhibition has been not only a pleasure to look upon, but a revelation to many of the great beauty of such simple and comparatively inexpensive materials as brick when used honestly.

May the Commission continue its good work that soon even our smallest missions may have that simple dignity and beauty which is able to uplift us all.

The same gentleman presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Social Service:

Whereas, Medical science has shown us that the human race has suffered from disease through ignorance, and shown us further that our ills may be done away with if we follow the laws of God;

Be it Resolved, That the Clergy, in public and private marriage instruction, and to those who ask to be married by them, shall emphasize the importance of the health of both husband and wife, not only to their own happiness, but to the future happiness and well-being of mankind.

Be it further Resolved, That the Clergy shall encourage such persons to have thorough physical examinations before marriage to the great end that mankind may be freed as much as possible from its burden of disease.

The same gentleman presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Christian Education:
WHEREAS, We worship God as Love and Truth, and should follow the exhortation to seek Him, and

WHEREAS, Our ever increasing knowledge of God and His universe makes it not only more and more difficult to hold to the letter of our old beliefs, but inadvisable to do so,

Be it Resolved, That to become, or remain, a member, Priest or Bishop of this Church it is not necessary to interpret literally the Bible or the Creeds.

The Rev. Dr. Jessup of Western New York presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this House is hereby directed to continue to print the Parliamentary Manual in the Journal in connection with the Rules of Order of this House and Dr. Anderson of Georgia is requested to furnish the Secretary with a revised copy of the Manual brought down to date for this purpose.

Resolved further, that the Secretary is also directed to print the Rules of Order and Parliamentary Manual in pamphlet form as a separate hand book for the use of the Deputies at the next General Convention.

The Rev. Dr. Milton of East Carolina presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, That the appointment of the Committee on the Nomination of Members of the National Council be made as one of the Standing Committees of the House and that the Committee report not later than the Wednesday of the second week of the Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Burke of Western North Carolina presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Special Commission be appointed to make a thorough study of the "Pay-As-You-Go Plan" and report their findings and suggestions to the Convention in 1934.

Mr. Parker of Massachusetts presented the following resolutions which were adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, The Congress of the United States, has created a National Colonial Monument by acquiring a body of land from James-town the first permanent settlement of the English Race in America, and the site of the First Protestant Church on this continent, to York-town where this nation achieved its freedom, and

WHEREAS, This action of the Congress is complimentary to that of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., who with large liberality and far seeing appreciation has undertaken the restoration of Williamsburg, the Colonial Capitol of Virginia, and

WHEREAS, These activities will insure the completion of a work heretofore carried on chiefly by members of this Church for the preservation of these ancient landmarks and for the enshrinement of the traditions of the past that the future may be guided and inspired thereby, and that the principles on which this Republic were founded may
be perpetuated and the faith and order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in America be extended, Now Therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, the Fiftieth Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church hereby expresses its profound approval of the action of the Congress in preserving in their original setting the places where this nation had its beginning and gained its liberty, and be it

Resolved further, That this Convention express to Mr. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., its grateful acknowledgement for restoring the Colonial Capitol of Williamsburg in its ancient glory and historic beauty as an example and incentive to future generations to preserve and protect the heritage of our fathers and to rejoice in the liberty wherewith God hath made us free.

No. 56 being taken from the Calendar, the Rev. Dr. Nelson presented the Report of the Committee on the Church Pension Fund with three resolutions attached:

Your Committee has carefully considered the resolutions referred to it. In considering them your Committee finds that there seems to be some misunderstanding of the character of the Pension Fund, and of the powers of the Trustees, that ought, as far as possible, to be cleared up.

In the first place the Pension Fund is not an insurance company issuing policies to individuals. It is a group plan for providing pensions to the Ministers of the Episcopal Church under certain specific conditions. The group plan means that the pension for any individual is made possible, not alone by the premiums paid for that individual, but by those paid by all the parishes and organizations paying premiums together. It is this plan which makes possible the flat rate of 7½% upon the salary received, and the amount of pension paid.

In the second place the Pension Fund is based upon, and its solvency is involved in, certain definite actuarial calculations. The Charter of the Fund has been granted upon these calculations, and would be endangered by departure from them.

To introduce new or other factors in the administration of the Fund would, therefore, involve, either a recalculation of the whole Fund, with a different basis of premiums, or make the solvency of the Fund and the fulfillment of its promises to the parishes and clergy, seriously questionable.

In view of these facts, your Committee herewith presents the resolutions referred to it, with its recommendations:

1. A resolution from the Diocese of Montana:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Church Pension Fund be urged to consider adopted children as coming under the scope of the Pension Fund.

Your Committee has considered the same and begs to be discharged from further consideration thereof.

The Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago moved as a substitute for the above resolution that the matter be referred to the Trustees of the Church Pension Fund for their sympathetic consideration.
The Rev. Dr. Nelson moved to amend Dr. Randall's substitute by referring the resolution of the Diocese of Montana to the Trustees of the Church Pension Fund, which was adopted:

2. A Petition from the Delegation of the Diocese of Newark:

The delegation of the Diocese of Newark petitions the Officers of the Church Pension Fund to consider the practicability of extending the benefits of the Fund to the dependent surviving members of the immediate families of unmarried clergymen of the Church whose Pension Fund assessments have been fully paid. By "immediate" is meant parents and sisters of the deceased clergymen. Such participation in the benefits of the Fund seems only just and fair.

Your Committee has considered the same and begs to be discharged from further consideration thereof.

The foregoing resolution was adopted:

3. A Resolution from the Diocese of Louisiana:

WHEREAS, It is the rule of the Church Pension Fund to withhold even from clergy who have reached the specified age of retirement all pension if there is continuance in active and regular work, and

WHEREAS, The pension due on retirement is of the nature of a paid up endowment; and

WHEREAS, The actual operation of the present rule seems to take insufficient cognizance of that fact; and

WHEREAS, A hardship is worked on the Church by withholding men from many small parishes that might be served effectively by clergy retired from larger Cures;

Therefore be it Resolved, That this Council instruct its Deputies to bring these foregoing considerations to the attention of General Convention.

On motion these resolutions were referred to the Diocesan Church Pension Committee. The Committee, through the Chairman, Dr. Warren Kearny, submitted the following report:

The Committee on the Church Pension Fund has considered the resolutions offered by Dean Nes.

The Committee feels that the matter referred to in the resolutions of Dean Nes are fully covered by a section of the report of the Church Pension Fund for 1929, entitled—"Retirement from Active Service."

The Committee therefore recommends that the resolutions be not adopted and asks to be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

The Council received the report, but declined to approve same, and the original resolutions were adopted, and the Deputies were instructed to bring same to the attention of General Convention.

Your Committee has considered the same and begs to be discharged from further consideration thereof.

The delegation from Louisiana having discharged its duty in presenting the resolution from its Diocese now seconded the resolution of the Committee on Church Pension Fund and the resolution was adopted.
The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 71.  
Ninth Day of Session,  
September 25th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That amendment on Canon 46, § VI., as contained in our Message No. 70, take effect immediately.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

MESSAGE No. 73.  
Ninth Day of Session,  
September 25th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That before the official report of the Joint Committee on National and World Problems be made public, the Committee be authorized to edit it and to correct minor mistakes made through the necessity of rapid printing.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 82.]

MESSAGE No. 74.  
Ninth Day of Session,  
September 25th, 1931.

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

WHEREAS: The Archbishop of Canterbury has requested through the Presiding Bishop that the Bishops of the Episcopal Church in the United States be represented in the Consultative Committee of the Lambeth Conference; and

WHEREAS: Bishops of the Episcopal Church have been present at all the past Lambeth Conferences and have been warmly welcomed as representing an important part of the Anglican Communion, and thus have enjoyed the privilege of sharing in the councils of Bishops from all parts of the world; and

WHEREAS: The Lambeth Conference is a body without any legal, canonical or constitutional authority, and participation in it does not bind in any manner either any individual Bishop or the particular Church of which he is a member;

Therefore be it Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to accept the invitation of the Archbishop of Canterbury, and to recommend to him the names of Bishops of the Episcopal Church for membership in the Consultative Committee of the Lambeth Conference; and

Resolved further, That this action of the Bishops in Council be communicated to the House of Deputies and to the House of Bishops for their information.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.
MESSAGE NO. 75.  Ninth Day of Session,  September 25th, 1931.

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 recommending that Canon 9, § I. [ii], be amended by the insertion after the words "§ II." of the following "or by a Suffragan Bishop when requested by the Bishop of the Diocese, etc."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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 relative to amending Canon 14, § V. [ii.]
by adding after the words "Bishop of this Church" the following "who has a seat and vote in the House of Bishops."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE NO. 77.  Tenth Day of Session,  September 26th, 1931.

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 Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop be continued, to study all questions relating to that subject, and report to the General Convention of 1934; the Committee to have power to fill any vacancies occurring, and to add to its number as it may deem necessary; and

Be it further Resolved, That pending final passage of appropriate amendments to Article I of the Constitution, and the passage of a Canon to make this operative, the Presiding Bishop is empowered to nominate for election by the House of Bishops, subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies, an assistant to whom he may from time to time assign any of his official duties from which he may desire to be relieved; the said assistant, in the case of the resignation or death of the Presiding Bishop, or his disability by reason of infirmity, shall discharge the duties of the office of Presiding Bishop until a successor shall be elected as provided in Article I, Sec. 3, of the Constitution.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 83.]

No. 60 being taken from the Calendar, House of Bishops Message No. 68 on narcotics was presented and after hearing from Capt. Richmond P. Hobson, the House concurred unanimously.

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

No. 52 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 10 of the Committee on Canons, on the Report of the Commission appointed at the General Convention held in the City of New
Orleans, La., 1925, “for the purpose of considering the procedure provided in the Canons for the trial and sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons, with a view to clarifying and simplifying the same, and of reporting to the next General Convention such changes and amendments to the Canons as they may deem desirable,” Canons 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 40 were adopted as amended by the Committee. Consideration of Canon 33 was postponed until Monday. (See Appendix XIV.)

The Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago presented a resolution requesting reconsideration of Message No. 28 of the House of Bishops, which was placed on the Calendar.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 72.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Report of the Joint Committee on National and World Problems be adopted as the mind of this Convention, and

Be it further Resolved, That the second resolution which is hereby adopted, be issued in substantially the form of statement as follows:

WHEREAS, The world today is lying under a burden of adversity, suffering, and want without equal in our generation, for which men have had neither the wit to devise nor the power to effect relief, and

WHEREAS, We humbly acknowledge that in this adversity we with other nations are but suffering for our sins; that we of this nation, in particular, are justly punished for many things which we have done and have left undone; for our policy of selfish isolation for our pride in our own prosperity; for our refusal to co-operate with other nations in efforts for this common good; for holding aloof from institutions designed to avert war and promote peace; for our mad pursuit of unearned wealth by speculation; for our lavish expenditures, mortgaging tomorrow for the pleasure of today; for our failure to equalize the economic fruits of labor and to take steps to ensure continuous employment for those who are dependent upon their daily labor for their daily bread; for our toleration of corruption in high places, lawlessness, and violence; and,

WHEREAS, We hold that no true or lasting well-being can come to this nation, except it be based upon humble repentance for our sins and sincere purpose of amendment.

Be it further Resolved: That this Convention request the churches throughout the country to set apart Sunday, November 8, 1931, being the Sunday nearest Armistice Day, as a day of prayer and penitence, to be observed in such manner as the Bishops of the several dioceses and missionary jurisdictions may approve, to the end that all the people of this Church may assemble to invoke God's Mercy, to pray for His forgiveness, and to ask His guidance that this nation under God may speedily be restored to the wholesome ways of peace and happiness, of sobriety and Christian practice and obedience to His...
divine will, and may with all other nations of the earth, earnestly seek to establish universal righteousness and peace.

Be it further Resolved: That, in concert with the Communions which have been in conference with us, we respectfully request the President of the United States to designate Sunday, November Eighth, and Saturday, November Seventh, as a time of prayer for all the people.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

The House stood adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL,
SEPTEMBER 28, 1931.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the tenth day were read and approved.

The President made the announcement that the Consecrations of the Venerable John Boyd Bentley and the Venerable Efrain Salinas would be held at seven-thirty, Tuesday morning, at St. John’s Cathedral and the hope was expressed that the Deputies would attend. The President also announced that on Wednesday morning at seven-thirty there would be a Quiet Hour conducted by the Presiding Bishop at St. John’s Cathedral.

The following Deputies, not before present, appeared and took their seats:

Messrs. Lyman of Chicago; Whitney of Western Nebraska and Gutgesell of Minnesota.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That on all matters coming up for action today the General Debate shall be limited to one hour and all individual speeches to three (3) minutes; except that in considering Report No. 10 of the Committee on Canons and Report No. 4 of Committee on Amendments to the Constitution the time limit on individual speeches shall be five (5) minutes.

Resolved, That the Order of Business for today next following the adoption of this Report shall be as follows:

1. Motion to Reconsider Action on House of Bishops Message No. 28 as to service term of Members of the National Council,
2. Regular Order of Business through Motions and Resolutions.
3. Continuation of Report No. 10 of Committee on Canons.
4. Report No. 4 of Committees on Amendments to the Constitution.
5. Report of Committee on Memorial of Deceased Members to be taken up immediately after the noon prayers for Missions.
6. Report of Joint Committee on National and World Problems and House of Bishops Message No. 72 thereon.
7. Completion of above Special Orders 3 and 4.

Dr. Anderson presented the following resolutions which were referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Standing Orders governing the two Houses be amended by striking out Sec. V. and by inserting in its place Clause [i.] of Joint Rule No. 3.

Resolved further, That the remaining clause of Joint Rule 3, be renumbered accordingly.

Resolved further, That no Joint Resolution creating Joint Committees or Joint Commission shall provide that they shall have power to fill vacancies and add to their number; except upon a two-thirds vote in each House.

Resolved, That the following changes and revisions be made in the Rules of Order of this House:

1. Amend Rule 1 by adding the words "and that Prayer for Missions shall be had daily at noon."
2. Amend Rule 13 by striking out the word "fifteen" and inserting the word "ten" in the second line thereof.
3. Revise Rule 15 so as to read as follows:

All resolutions must be reduced to writing and must bear the name of the mover thereof, and the same shall appear on the Minutes of the House. No motion or resolution can be offered or shall be deemed to be before the House unless the maker has been recognized by the President and the motion, etc., has been seconded.

4. Amend Rule 17, by inserting after the word "except" in line 2 the words "(1.) to adjourn" and renumber the other sub items accordingly.
5. Amend Rule 19 as follows:

First—by inserting after the word "pending" in line one the following: "(1.) An amendment may be made to each independent or separable portion thereof."

Second—by transposing lines nine and ten and inserting them immediately after the word "amendment" in line 4.

Third—by transposing the last two sentences of the present first paragraph and inserting them as a separate clause or paragraph in place of the present lines 9 and 10.

6. Amend Rule 22 by adding the following:

"On such appeal the vote shall be upon the question shall the decision of the Chair be sustained, and the negative vote of two-thirds of the members present shall be necessary to sustain the appeal."

7. Amend Rule 26, as follows:

First—by striking out the words "The question as to such immediate consideration of such message shall be submitted to the House as soon as the same is laid before it."
Second—by adding at the end of that paragraph the words: "and the question of its immediate consideration shall be submitted to the House as soon as the report is presented."

8. Amend Rules 30 and 31 as follows:
   First—add to Rule 30 an additional separate clause (c) to which shall be transferred the last sentence in the present clause (a) of Rule 30 and the last three lines of Rule 31.
   Second—by striking out the words "the question of giving such consent" at the end of clause (b) Rule 30 and inserting the words "such motion to reconsider."

9. Amend Rule 36—by striking out the words "excepting Sundays" on line 4.

10. Amend Rule 37—by striking out the present rule and inserting the following:
   "(a) When considering the election of a Bishop, the approval of his testimonials or assent to his consecration, and when acting upon the election of the Presiding Bishop the House shall sit in Executive Session, which shall be held as soon as practicable after the receipt of official notification from the House of Bishops of their election.
   "(b) The election of the Presiding Bishop shall be by individual secret ballot unless otherwise ordered by vote of the House or upon demand of the entire Clerical or Lay Representation from any Diocese before the balloting begins.
   "(c) Confidential notifications from the House of Bishops of election by them of the Presiding Bishop or of any other Bishop shall be referred immediately, without reading, to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, who shall make report thereon to such Executive Session of the House."

No. 61, being taken from the Calendar, the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago to reconsider the action taken on term of office of members of the National Council, Mr. Sayre of New York raised the point that a resolution to reconsider having been made and lost this question was out of order and he was sustained by the President.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

Report No. 9. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that Mr. Lyman of the Diocese of Chicago elected as an Alternate Deputy to the General Convention, is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Rogerson; that Mr. Gutgesell of the Diocese of Minnesota, elected as an Alternate Deputy to the General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Foot and that Mr. Whitney of the Missionary District of Western Nebraska appointed as an Alternate Deputy to the General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of Mr. Horth.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

Dr. Anderson 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 which was referred the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Milton of East Carolina requir-
ing Report from the Committee to nominate members of the National Council have considered the same and report as follows:

The Committee on the nomination of Members of the National Council to which the resolution refers is a Joint Committee of the two Houses and therefore cannot be given instructions by this House.

The Members of this House and also the Members of the House of Bishops on that Committee were all appointed by the respective Houses on the fifth day of this Convention. The fact that the Committee may not have made its report up to the time this resolution was introduced on Saturday the 12th day is therefore not due to any defect in the Rules or to any delay in the appointment of the Joint Committee. Your Committee presents the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented the following report and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 23. Your Committee to which was referred a suggested new Canon defining Canonical Residence, submitted by Mr. Harlan of Maryland, reports that it has considered the same, and recommends the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposed new Canon defining Canonical Residence be referred to the Commission on the Ministry for consideration, and that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The same gentleman for the same Committee presented the following Report and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 24. Your Committee, to which was referred a report of the Joint Commission relative to the dissolution of Pastoral Relations, repealing Canon 42 and substituting a new Canon 42 therefor, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, It is deemed inexpedient to adopt this proposed new Canon at this time; and the Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented the following Report and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 25. Your Committee to which was referred Message No. 70 from the House of Bishops, being a proposed amendment to Canon 46, by inserting in the fourth line after the words “He shall hold office” the words “for three years or”, so that the clause shall read “He shall hold office for three years or until his successor is elected,” etc., deems it inexpedient to make this change and offers the following resolution:
Resolved, That the House of Deputies do not concur with Message No. 70 from the House of Bishops, and that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

Wm. D. Maxon, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 85.]

The Rev. Dr. Jones of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That Message No. 70 from the House of Bishops be amended by substituting the words: "Joint Committee Ad Interim" for the words "Joint Commission."

J. Clarence Jones, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 84.]

Dr. Mansfield of the Committee on Expenses presented the following Reports:

REPORT No. 1. The Committee on Expenses to whom was referred the triennial report of the Treasurer, pursuant to Sec. V. of Canon 51, beg leave to report that they have examined the same and have caused it to be audited by Kelly, Becker & Co. of New York City, certified Public Accountants up to and including August 31, 1931 and have found the same to be correct. Certain items of receipt since that date are not included in the audit; they will be verified later by the accountants mentioned. An audit to the effect that securities amounting to $48,499.55 are in the possession of the Treasurer has also been made by the same accountants.

The Committee submit the report of the Treasurer herewith with the certificate of the auditors 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 auditors attached thereto be accepted and printed in the Journal, subject to the further audit by the Accountants of certain receipts since August 31st, 1931.

Burton Mansfield, Chairman.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 86.]

REPORT No. 2. 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, 1934, 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 $1,500.00 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.

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 Acting Secretary of the House of Bishops for this Convention shall be $300.00 and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.

That the Treasurer also be authorized to pay not to exceed $300.00 for the traveling expenses of the Acting Secretary of the House of Bishops in connection with this Convention.

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 $150.00 per annum, and for expenses a sum not exceeding $150.00 for the triennial period.

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay to the Historiographer for services, the sum of $150.00 per annum and for expenses, a sum not exceeding $150.00 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 Committee on Canons a sum not to exceed $150.00.

For the expenses of the Committee on Budget and Program a sum not to exceed $100.00.

For other expenses during the coming triennial period based on the experience of similar previous periods, a sum not to exceed $5,000.00.
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.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 87.]

REPORT No. 3. The Committee on Expenses to whom was referred the resolution of the Chairman of the Committee in relation to the entertainment and expenses of the Lord Bishop of St. Alban's, beg leave to report that they have considered the same and recommend the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That an appropriation not exceeding $1,000.00 be made for the entertainment and expenses of the Lord Bishop of St. Alban's, the guest of and the preacher at the opening session of this Convention and that the Treasurer be authorized to pay the same.  

BURTON MANSFIELD, Chairman.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 88.]

REPORT No. 4. 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.

The resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 89.]

REPORT No. 5. The Committee on Expenses respectfully announces that Mr. Frank Gulden of the Diocese of Long Island whose address is Elizabeth Street, New York, has been elected Vice-Chairman of the Committee to act when necessary in place of the Chairman.

BURTON MANSFIELD, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Silver of the Committee on the Prayer Book presented a report referring to the Memorial from the Convocation of the Philippine Islands, presented by the Rev. Mr. Harvey, requesting that the word "Protestant" be eliminated from the corporate name of the Church, and Dr. Silver moved that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the matter which was adopted.
The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of the Committee on Christian Education presented the following Reports:

**REPORT No. 1.** Your Committee to which was referred the Report of the Special Committee on Church Colleges chosen jointly by the National Council and a Committee of Church College Presidents begs to report as follows:

The Survey shows that the five Church Colleges are an asset of high value, giving to the Church Clerical and Lay leadership out of all proportion to their student enrollment. For the session 1930-31 this enrollment totaled 1,378 young men; we have no Church College for women. Only one is even fairly well endowed and in consequence none of them has an adequately staffed Department of Religion, with the possible exception of St. Stephen's.

In all these colleges the special committee found satisfactory standards of conduct and scholarship, though differences exist in the degree of excellence in various aspects of the work done.

Your Committee agrees with the men who made this survey that the claim of a church college, over a non-church college upon our church people rests upon its scholarship plus its Christian life and atmosphere. The Church College, in a special way, is intended to integrate religious belief with intellectual development. The special committee further notes the advantage the church colleges have had in being able to work out their policies without the sort of restriction and interference which often emanates from central authority.

Your Committee offers the following:

**Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That an Advisory Committee of five persons, communicants of this Church, at least three of whom are actively engaged in College Teaching or Administration, shall be appointed by the Chairman of this House in consultation with the Chairman of the House of Bishops, to constitute a committee of visitation and consultation to study the needs and problems of our Church Colleges.**

**Resolved, That any expenses incident to the committee's work which expenses shall not exceed $1,200.00, be met out of the unexpended balance of the Department of Religious Education.**

A. B. KINSOLVING, Chairman.

The first resolution contained in the foregoing Report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 96.]

The second resolution was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

**REPORT No. 2.** The following resolution, unanimously approved by both the Department of Religious Education and by the National Council, is herewith presented by the National Council to the House of Deputies.

**Whereas, It is the unanimous opinion of the College Commission that the Church's work in centers of higher learning is of most vital concern to the entire Church because of the representative nature of the Episcopal constituency and its potential leadership in the future**
life of the Church; and that this phase of the Church's activity demands the strategic placement of clergymen in such communities; and

WHEREAS, The Division of College Work of the Department of Religious Education of the National Council is making a special and continuous survey of clergymen properly qualified for student-work,

Be it Resolved, That the National Council respectfully requests that the General Convention assembled in Denver, Colorado, in 1931 commend to all Diocesans and to all vestries of parishes in college communities the advantage of consulting with the College Commission through the National Secretary for College Work when filling vacancies in such parishes.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention commends to all Diocesans and to all Vestries of Parishes in college communities, the advantage of consulting with the College Commission through the National Secretary for College Work when filling vacancies in such parishes.

A. B. KINSOLVING, Chairman.

The resolution attached to the foregoing Report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 94.]

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of the Committee on Social Service presented the following Reports and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

REPORT No. 3. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we hereby address to the Congress of the United States, the following petition:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States:

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, in General Convention assembled, respectfully petitions your honorable body to enact a law, (not Censorship), for the Federal Supervision of motion pictures in interstate and foreign commerce, establishing higher moral standards to be applied before pictures are filmed, by means of a Federal Commission similar to the method by which the Radio, National Banks and Railroads are regulated.

It is believed that only such a centralized authority as the United States Government can wisely and effectively regulate the centralized Motion Picture Industry for the whole of the United States and other Nations of the World, in the interest of World Peace and Moral standards, because at least 80% of all films shown in the Nations of the World are produced in our land.

FLOYD W. TOMKINS, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 90.]

REPORT No. 4. WHEREAS, It is a matter of common knowledge that the moving picture houses of this country are frequented by great numbers of the people, including the boys and girls of every section and community, and

WHEREAS, It is also a matter of common knowledge that much that is shown in the moving pictures is objectionable from a moral and social point of view,
Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention records its vigorous protest against the making and showing of all pictures which depict criminal or salacious subject matter, and earnestly urges that all producers of moving pictures in this country recognize their high moral and social obligation to the people of the land, especially the youth; and further be it
Resolved, That this Convention calls all right-minded people to refrain from frequenting pictures which depict criminal or salacious subjects.

FLOYD W. TOMKINS, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 91.]

REPORT No. 5. WHEREAS, Medical science has shown us that the human race has suffered from disease through ignorance, and shown us further that our ills may be done away with if we follow the laws of God;

Be it Resolved, That the Clergy, in public and private marriage instruction, and to those who ask to be married by them, shall emphasize the importance of the health of both husband and wife, not only to their own happiness, but to the future happiness and well being of mankind.

Be it Resolved further, That the Clergy shall encourage such persons to have thorough physical examinations before marriage to the great end that mankind may be freed as much as possible from its burden of disease.

The Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same. The committee was discharged.

FLOYD W. TOMKINS, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Davidson of the Committee on Evangelism presented the following Reports and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

REPORT No. 3. The Committee on Evangelism begs leave to report that it has considered the resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Lumkin of the Diocese of Milwaukee and recommends the adoption of the resolution, to wit,

Resolved, That the House of Deputies realizing the incalculable value of a well developed and prayerfully organized evangelistic program in this Church do hereby commend most heartily the work of the Commission on Evangelism, and do urge upon the Dioceses and Parishes of the Church and upon every member of the same full co-operation with the ideals and efforts of the Commission, to the intent that witness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ and His Power in the lives of men may be more truly made, not only to our own people, but to the Nation as a whole.

REPORT No. 4. Your Committee on Evangelism has also considered the resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Mayo of the Diocese of Virginia, together with the amendment offered by the Rev. Dr. Sykes of the Diocese of West Texas and offer as a substitute for the resolution and the amendment the following:

Realizing the present distressing circumstances by which the greater part of human life is surrounded and with assured faith and confidence in the ultimate source of help in time of trouble:
Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Church invites all Christian bodies throughout the land to unite with us during the last two weeks of the next Lenten Season in daily intercessions to Almighty God that He may guide all men everywhere to the accomplishment of His will and bring them into the way of Peace; and that in the Spirit of Evangelism these last two weeks of Lent be made a special season of penitence, prayer, praise and preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ: and be it further 

Resolved, That the Commission on Evangelism be requested to take such steps as may be necessary and advisable to effect the object of this resolution.

Your Committee recommends the adoption of this resolution. 

George Davidson, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 92.]

Mr. Baldwin of the Joint Commission on Flag and Seal presented the following Report and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

This Commission has the honor to report that many designs for a Church Flag have been presented to the Commission, all of which have received careful study and consideration.

The design described below has been finally selected:
First, for the historical association of its component parts and for their churchly symbolism;
Second, for its simplicity as it tells the whole story intended to be conveyed;
Third, for its artistic beauty in form and color;

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following design be adopted as the Flag of this Church and the same design to be worked into a seal:

The design is heraldically blazoned as follows:

Argent on a cross gules charged with an open book proper, in dexter chief an American Eagle full front head erect in profile turned to dexter, displayed azure grasping in its talons an olive branch vert,

Or, in ordinary language,

A white or silver field on which is a red cross extending to the four edges of the field, in the centre of the cross an open book proper, black with blue edges and white leaves, in the upper quarter next the staff an American Eagle in blue full front with wings fanned down similar to a lectern eagle, head erect in profile facing the staff and grasping in its talons a green olive branch.

The seal to be a shield with the above design upon it, above the shield an Anglican mitre; a key with wards upward and a crozier crossed in saltier behind the shield, below the shield a ribbon on which are the words:

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel."

The shield with its ornamentation to be enclosed in a vesica on the outer edge of which is the legend:

"Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."
And be it further Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Commission be continued with power to fill vacancies and to add to its number.

PHILIP COOK, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 93.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 78. Tenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 26TH, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article II, Sec. 3 of the Constitution be amended by adding the words, "A bishop or bishop coadjutor shall be eligible as bishop or bishop coadjutor of another Diocese, or he may be elected by the House of Bishops as a missionary bishop."

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article II, Sec. 6 of the Constitution be amended by adding to the present article the following:

"Providing that this Article shall not apply to a bishop resigning to accept other Episcopal election."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar with Nos. 49 and 50 to be considered with Report No. 4 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

MESSAGE No. 79. Tenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 26TH, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 13 be amended by adding a new Section to be number III. and to read as follows:

"§ III. When a diocese, entitled to the choice of a bishop, shall elect as its diocesan the bishop or bishop coadjutor of another diocese of this Church, if such election shall have taken place, etc., following from there on the reading of Canon 14, § V. (1) and (2) dealing with the election of missionary bishops to a diocese, and

Be it further Resolved, That Canon 13 be amended by adding a new Section to be numbered IV. to read as follows:

"§ IV. A bishop or bishop coadjutor shall not be eligible for election to another diocese within five years from the date of his consecration." and

Be it further Resolved, That present Sections III. and IV. be renumbered as § V. and § VI., and

Be it further Resolved, That the changes in this Canon take effect immediately.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.
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, § II., be amended to read as follows:

The duty of a Deaconess is to teach and especially to assist the Minister in the preparation of candidates for baptism and confirmation; to assist in the administration of Holy Baptism by virtue of her office and in the absence of the priest or deacon to baptize infants; to conduct the Choir office; to lead in prayer and when licensed by the bishop to instruct and preach except in the service of Holy Communion; to care for the sick, the afflicted and the poor and to labor in all ways for the extension of Christ's Church.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

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

*Resolved,* the House of Deputies concurring, That the Senate of the United States be informed that it is the sense of this Convention that the United States should become a member of the Permanent Court of International Justice without delay.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on National and World Problems.

The Rev. Dr. Block of the Committee on Budget and Program presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

*Resolved,* the House of Bishops concurring, That we strongly recommend to the National Council that the National Commission on Evangelism be granted an extra appropriation of $2,000, providing this can be done without increasing the Budget.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 97.]

*Resolved,* the House of Bishops concurring, That the Advance Work Program for the next triennium be approved and that the following instructions be communicated to the National Council.

1. That the items of the Advance Work Program presented which are carried over from the last triennium be, so far as possible, regarded as priorities.

2. That all Dioceses which have completed their undertakings on the 1929-31 Advance Work Program be dispensed from further solicitation in 1932 for the New Advance Work Program.

3. That the National Council defer any further organized effort for the New Advance Work Program until they are convinced that financial conditions justify that step.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 98.]
WHEREAS, Your Committee has considered the Resolution referred to them asking for the recommendation of an increase of $2,500 per annum for the work of the Commission on Faith and Order, and although heartily in sympathy with the work undertaken by this Commission and commending the cause generously to the support of parishes and individual Church workers, Therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we find ourselves unable, under the present emergency to approve the recommendation.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 145.]

The Rev. Dr. Starr of South Carolina presented the following preamble and resolution. On motion of the Rev. Dr. Chorley the preamble was laid on the table, and the resolution was seconded by the Rev. Dr. Powell of California who called for adoption of the resolution by a rising vote. It was so adopted unanimously.

WHEREAS, Some casual readers of reports of the Sessions of this House appearing in a portion of the local press may have acquired an impression that its discussions have been marred by high partisan feeling and excited debate, when they have in fact been characterized by unbroken harmony and uniformly courteous consideration, even when the most marked differences of opinion were expressed;

Resolved, That we hereby place on record our grateful appreciation of the courtesy and impartiality with which our Presiding Officer has performed his duties, our thankfulness for the fine spirit of Christian fellowship which has continuously prevailed among our members, and our profound gratitude to Almighty God that, under the blessing and guidance of His Holy Spirit, there has been developed within the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America such a truly catholic conception of Christian truth as makes it possible for its members being many to be yet one body, and to know in their own experience "how good and joyful a thing it is for us, as brethren, to dwell together in unity."

The Rev. Mr. McCalla of Springfield presented the following resolution which was referred to the Joint Commission on Unemployment of Clergy:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, inasmuch as there are a great number of ordained Ministers in this Church out of Cures and employment for reasons not of their own making and that this situation is not only embarrassing but a real menace to the Church, be it

Resolved, That in each Province there be set up a clearing house commission composed of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, which Commission shall look into the matter of all unemployed clergy within the Province, review the lists of applications of clergy-men and make recommendations to the Bishops of the Province for the placement of the applicants. This Commission to meet at least three times per year in the several Provinces.

The same gentleman presented the following resolution which was referred to the Commission on Provinces:
Inasmuch as the great number of non-parochial and non-residential clergy, many of whom are without the privileges of the Pension Fund and are disabled and in serious material condition,

**Be it Resolved,** That there be set up in each Province a Commission of the Bishops of the Province, five Presbyters and ten Laymen which Commission shall proceed immediately to provide a haven or Sanatorium for the disabled and needy clergy of the said Province.

The Rev. Mr. Barnes of Los Angeles presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

In view of the gravity of the present economic crisis and the need not only for closer co-operation between employers and employees but also for the systematic study on the part of all Church people of questions of social economy as they bear upon our present industrial system, and

WHEREAS, The Industrial Fellowship of the Episcopal Church has been established since the last General Convention under the auspices of the Department of Christian Social Service by a group of laymen in our Church for the two-fold purpose:

1. To affirm the ultimate authority of the Christian law to rule social practice.
2. To study in common how to apply the principles of Christianity to the industrial and economic conditions of our time,

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention urges the extension of the Industrial Fellowship of the Church, and asks the Department of Christian Social Service to encourage the formation of diocesan chapters of the Industrial Fellowship.

The time having arrived for Noonday Prayers, after the service, the Rev. Mr. Stowell for the Committee on Memorial of Deceased Members read the roll of those who had died since the last General Convention, which was received by the members standing after which prayers were said by the President.

The Rev. Dr. Melish read the Report of the Joint Committee appointed to consider National and World Problems submitted to this General Convention. (See Appendix XVII.) At the close of his reading, Dr. Melish presented Message No. 72 of the House of Bishops.

The Rev. Dr. Sill of Connecticut moved that we concur with the first resolution of the Message of the House of Bishops by substituting the following:

**Be it Resolved,** the House of Bishops concurring, That the foregoing statement be submitted for the careful consideration of our fellow Churchmen.

Vote being taken now on the first resolution as amended, it was adopted.
Resolution 2 on page 12 of the Report of the Joint Committee was substituted for resolution 2 in the Message of the House of Bishops and was adopted as follows:

Be it further Resolved, That this Convention request the churches throughout the country to set apart Sunday, November 8, 1931, being the Sunday nearest Armistice Day, as a day of prayer and penitence, to be observed in such manner as the Bishops of the several dioceses and missionary jurisdictions may approve, to the end that all the people of this Church may assemble to invoke God's Mercy, to pray for His forgiveness, and to ask His guidance that this nation under God may speedily be restored to the wholesome ways of peace and happiness, of sobriety and Christian practice and obedience to His divine will.

Resolution 3 was adopted as follows:

Be it further Resolved, That, in concert with the Communions which have been in conference with us, we respectfully request the President of the United States to designate Sunday, November Eighth, and Saturday, November Seventh, as a time of prayer for all the people.

Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 102.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 82.

Eleventh Day of Session,
September 28th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That amendments to Canon 43 be adopted as follows:

CANON 43.

OF THE SOLEMNIZATION OF HOLY MATRIMONY.

§ I. Ministers of this Church shall within their Cures give instruction both publicly and privately, on the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities, and the mutual love and forbearance which it requires.

§ II. Ministers of this Church shall scrupulously conform to the laws of the State governing the civil contract of marriage, and also to the laws of this Church governing the solemnization of Holy Matrimony.

§ III. [i.] No Minister of this Church shall solemnize any marriage before the following conditions have been carefully complied with:

(a) He shall ascertain by due inquiry the right of the parties to contract a marriage valid according to the laws of this Church.

(b) He shall instruct the contracting parties as to the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities, and the means of grace which God has provided through His Church.

(c) He shall satisfy himself that at least one of the proposed contracting parties has received Christian Baptism.

[i.] There shall be at least two competent witnesses present at the solemnization of the marriage.
[iii.] 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, by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

[iv.] No marriage shall be solemnized by a Minister of this Church unless the intention of the contracting parties shall have been signified by the publishing of the banns or other public notice, or by securing and presenting of a license from the State at an interval of at least three days before the service of solemnization.

§ IV. If one party to a marriage so grievously offend the other that the security or permanence of the home is imperiled, it shall be the duty of the offended party to lay the matter before a Minister of the Church; and it shall be the duty of such Minister to labor that the parties may be reconciled. If in the end they cannot be reconciled, the Minister shall report his findings in the matter to the Bishop.

§ V. 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. Nor 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.

§ VI. [i.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court may apply to the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Court constituted by a canon of the Diocese or Missionary District of the said person’s domicile, to have the said marriage declared null and void by reason of any of the following impediments to marriage:

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood) within the following degrees:
   (a) One may not marry one’s ascendant or descendant.
   (b) One may not marry one’s sister.
   (c) One may not marry the sister or brother of one’s ascendant or the descendant of one’s brother or sister.

2. Lack of free consent of either party.
3. Mistake as to the identity of either party.
4. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exercise of intelligent choice.
5. Insanity of either party.
6. Failure of either party to have reached the age of puberty.
7. Impotence of either party.
8. Facts which would make the proposed marriage bigamous.

[ii.] The Bishop in such case, after taking legal advice thereon, or the Ecclesiastical Court proceeding in accordance with the canons thereon and acting through the Bishop, shall render judgment in writing to the petitioner. All judgments rendered under this canon by the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Court shall be made matters of permanent record in the archives of the Diocese or Missionary District. No such judgment shall be construed as referring in any way to the legitimacy of children or the civil validity of the former relationship.

[iii.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court and pronounced null by the Bishop, may be
married by a Minister of this Church as if he had never previously
been married; Provided, that before such marriage one year shall have
elapsed after the granting of such civil decree.

§ VII. [i.] 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. The Bishop,
after due inquiry into the circumstances, and taking into consideration
the godly discipline both of justice and of mercy, shall give his judg-
ment thereon in writing. Provided, however, that no Minister shall in
any case refuse these ordinances to a penitent person in imminent
danger of death.

[ii.] Any persons who have been married by civil authority or
otherwise than as this Church provides, may apply to the Bishop or to
the Ecclesiastical Court of their domicile for the recognition of such
marriage, and for the recognition of communicant status, or for the
right to apply for Holy Baptism or Confirmation. After due inquiry
into all the facts relevant thereto, judgment shall be given in writing
to the petitioners by the Bishop or by the Ecclesiastical Court acting
through the Bishop. In case of a favorable decision, a Minister of this
Church may, at his discretion, bless the parties to the union.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on
Canons with the understanding that it will report on this mat-
ter today.

MESSAGE No. 84. Eleventh Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 28TH, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has
elected unanimously the Right Reverend Hugh Latimer Burleson,
Missionary Bishop of South Dakota, as Assistant to the Presiding
Bishop and asks the concurrence of the House of Deputies.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 103.]

MESSAGE No. 85. Eleventh Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 28TH, 1931.

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

Resolved, That the House of Bishops does not concur with the
House of Deputies in its Message No. 58 adopting amendment to
Canon 43.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 86. Eleventh Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 28TH, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has
adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention accept the kindly invitation of the Diocese of New Jersey to hold the next Convention in Atlantic City, New Jersey.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Knickerbocker of Minnesota the House concurred in the foregoing Message with the following amendment:

Substitute the word "Minneapolis" for the words "Atlantic City", which was adopted by a vote of 202 to 145.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 104.]

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented the following Report and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

REPORT No. 28. Your Committee to which was referred Message No. 82 from the House of Bishops, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That Message No. 82 from the House of Bishops be amended by striking out the amendments to Canon 43 as contained therein and substituting in place thereof the amendments to Canon 43 as adopted by the House of Deputies and contained in its Message No. 58 to the House of Bishops.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 105.]

No. 57 being taken from the Calendar, being Report No. 4 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, the resolution attached to the Report was not adopted and the House concurred in Messages Nos. 52 and 78 of the House of Bishops by a vote of 166 to 156.

REPORT No. 4. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to which was referred Message No. 52 of the House of Bishops amending Article II, Sec. 6 of the Constitution, by adding the following to the present Article:

"Provided that this shall not apply to a Bishop resigning to accept other Episcopal election,"

reports that it has considered the same, and deems it inexpedient and therefore recommends that the House of Deputies do not concur.

HERBERT H. POWELL, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Messages No. 107 and No. 108.]

The President announced the appointment of Mr. E. H. Foot of Minnesota on the Joint Commission to make further study of the desirability of the formation of a National Organization of Laymen,
No. 49 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 2 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, the House received the recommendation of the Committee and concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 32.

Report No. 2. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to which was referred Message No. 32 of the House of Bishops, proposing to amend the Constitution, Article I, Sec. 3, by inserting the words "the close of" after the word "until," so that the sentence will read:

"The Bishop so elected shall serve until the close of the next General Convention,"

reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the House of Deputies concur. HERBERT H. POWELL, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 109.]

No. 50 being taken from the Calendar, Report No. 3 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, the House received the recommendation of the Committee and concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 38:

Report No. 3. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to which was referred Message No. 38 of the House of Bishops proposing to amend the Constitution, Article II, Sec. 6, to read as follows:

"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 the conditions prescribed by the Canons of General Convention,"

reports that it has considered the same and recommends that the House of Deputies concur. HERBERT H. POWELL, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 110.]

No. 29 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Hart, recommending that this Convention establish an Advisory Commission on Church Colleges, was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

No. 59 being taken from the Calendar, the following resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Lumpkin of Milwaukee was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention urge upon the separate Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the Church to take steps to require that all duly elected Clerical and Lay Deputies to the General Convention notify the Secretary of their respective Dioceses or Missionary Districts at least thirty days before the opening day of General Convention whether they have reasonable expectation of being able to attend. If they have not such reasonable
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House of Deputies that it has expectation, that they so notify the Secretary of their respective Dioceses or Missionary Districts, in order that the Alternate Deputies may have time in which to prepare to attend.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 111.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 102.**

Eleventh Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 1931.

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. 105 from the House of Deputies be amended by striking out the amendments to Canon 43 as contained therein and substituting in place thereof the amendments to Canon as adopted by this House and contained in its Message No. 82 to the House of Deputies, and request that a Committee on Conference be immediately appointed.

The Chair, on behalf of this House, appointed: the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Alabama, the Bishop of Colorado.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message and the President appointed as members on the part of this House: Mr. Seymour of Long Island, Mr. Beale of Massachusetts and the Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 106.]

The House stood adjourned at 6:30 P.M.

TWELFTH DAY

SCOTTISH RITE CATHEDRAL, SEPTEMBER 29, 1931.

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 Deputy not before present, appeared and took his seat:

Rev. A. E. Woodward of Missouri.

The President announced the appointment of the following Committees:

Joint Commission on Christian Healing:

The Rev. Dr. Gresham of California, the Rev. Mr. Sherman of Ohio, the Rev. Dr. Weld of Los Angeles, the Rev. Dr. Kammerer of Con-
necticut, the Rev. Dr. Sturges of Massachusetts, the Rev. Mr. Lane of Arizona, Dr. Johnson of California, Dr. Bowen of Washington, Dr. Flanders Dunbar of New York, Dr. Oliver of Maryland, Mr. Wyckoff of California, Mr. Old, Jr., of Southern Virginia and Mr. Rose of Indianapolis.

For translation and Publication of the Book of Common Prayer in French:
The Rev. Dr. Gummey of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Gates of New York, Mr. Sturgis of Colorado and Mr. Minot of Massachusetts.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 113.]

To Arrange for Devotions of the next General Convention:
The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York, the Rev. Dr. Osgood of Minnesota, Mr. Barber of Chicago, Mr. Purse of New Jersey and Mr. Johnson of Colorado.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 112.]

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

Resolved, That on all matters coming up for action today the General Debate be limited strictly to one hour and all individual speeches to three (3) minutes.

Resolved, That the Order of Business for today immediately following this Report shall be as follows:
1. Completion of Report No. 10 of Committee on Canons.
2. Report of Conference Committee on House of Bishops Message No. 82.
4. Reports of Committee on Budget and Program.
5. Reports of Standing Committees in their order.
6. Reports of Special or Joint Committees and Commissions.
8. Unfinished Business on the Calendar.

Mr. Seymour of the Committee on Canons brought up Report No. 10. (See Appendix XIV.)

No. 10 of that committee, the report of the Commission appointed at the General Convention held in the City of New Orleans, La., 1925, "for the purpose of considering the procedure provided in the Canons for the trial and sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons, etc.,” Mr. Sayre of New York moved to amend the resolution attached to the report of the Committee by striking out Canon 33 of the Report. The President ruled that Mr. Sayre's resolution was not necessary as a vote in the negative on the resolution of the Committee was the same thing. Vote by Orders and Dioceses being called for, the
resolution of the Committee to adopt Canon 33 was lost by a vote of

Clerical—Ayes 27½—Noes 43—Divided 5
Lay—Ayes 24—Noes 25½—Divided 5

Dr. Anderson called attention to the fact that this action of striking out Canon 33 from the Report necessitated amending the Report in every place where reference was made to the Court of Appeals. Mr. Harlan then presented the Report of the Commission with these amendments.

REPORT No. 10. Your Committee to which was referred a report of the Commission appointed at the General Convention held in the City of New Orleans, La., 1925, "for the purpose of considering the procedure provided in the Canons for the trial and sentence of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with a view to clarifying and simplifying the same, and of reporting to the next General Convention, such changes and amendments to the Canons as they may deem desirable," reports that it has considered the same and recommends the following solution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that the Report of the Commission as amended herewith be adopted.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 115.]

The Rev. Dr. Powell of California moved that the thanks of the House be extended to the members of the Committee on Canons and to the Commission for their painstaking work on this Report which was adopted by a rising vote.

Mr. Seymour of the Committee on Canons and a member of the Committee of Conference with the House of Bishops on their Message No. 82 on amendments to Canon 43, presented the following Report and the resolution contained therein was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Report of the Committee of Conference on the proposed Canon 43 be adopted and agreed to by both Houses.

CANON 43.

Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony

§ I. Ministers of this Church shall within their Cures give instruction both publicly and privately, on the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities and the mutual love and forbearance which it requires.

§ II. Ministers of this Church shall conform to the laws of the State governing the civil contract of marriage, and also to the laws of this Church governing the solemnization of Holy Matrimony.

§ III. [i.] No Minister of this Church shall solemnize any marriage before the following conditions have been carefully complied with:

(a) He shall ascertain by due inquiry the right of the parties according to the laws of this Church to contract a marriage.
(b) He shall instruct the contracting parties as to the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities, and the means of grace which God has provided through His Church.

[iii.] There shall be at least two witnesses present at the solemnization of the marriage.

[iii.] 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, by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

[iv.] No marriage shall be solemnized by a Minister of this Church unless the intention of the contracting parties shall have been signed to the Minister at least three days before the service of solemnization.

§ IV. If one party to a marriage so grievously offend the other that the security or permanence of the home is imperiled it shall be the duty of the offended party to lay the matter before a Minister of the Church; and it shall be the duty of such Minister to labor that the parties may be reconciled.

§ V. 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. Nor 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, be laid before the Ecclesiastical Authority, and such Ecclesiastical Authority, having taken legal advice thereon, 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.

§ VI. [i.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court may apply to the Bishop or to the Ecclesiastical Court constituted by Canon, of the Diocese or Missionary District of the said person's domicile to have the said marriage declared null and void by reason of any of the following impediments to marriage:

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood) within the following degrees:
   (a) One may not marry one's ascendant or descendant.
   (b) One may not marry one's sister.
   (c) One may not marry the sister or brother of one's ascendant or the descendant of one's brother or sister.

2. Lack of free consent of either party.

3. Mistake as to the identity of either party.

4. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exercise of intelligent choice.

5. Insanity of either party.

6. Failure of either party to have reached the age of puberty.
7. Impotence of either party undisclosed to the other.
8. The existence of venereal disease in either party.
9. Facts which would make the proposed marriage bigamous.

[ii.] The Bishop in such case, after taking legal advice thereon, or the Ecclesiastical Court proceeding in accordance with the Canons and acting through the Bishop, shall render judgment in writing to the petitioner. All judgments rendered under this Canon by the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Court shall be made matters of permanent record in the archives of the Diocese or Missionary District. No such judgment shall be construed as referring in any way to the legitimacy of children or the civil validity of the former relationship.

[iii.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court and pronounced null by the Bishop, may be married by a Minister of this Church as if he had never previously been married.

§ VII. [i.] If any Minister of this Church shall have cause to think that a person desirous of Holy Baptism, or of Confirmation, or of receiving 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. The Bishop, after due inquiry into the circumstances, and taking into consideration the godly discipline both of justice and of mercy, shall give his judgment thereon in writing. Provided, however, that no Minister shall in any case refuse these ordinances to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

[ii.] Any persons who have been married by civil authority, or otherwise than as this Church provides may apply to the Bishop or to the Ecclesiastical Court of their domicile for the recognition of communicant status or for the right to apply for Holy Baptism or Confirmation. After due inquiry into all the facts relevant thereto, judgment shall be given in writing to the petitioners by the Bishop or by the Ecclesiastical Court acting through the Bishop. In case of a favorable decision, a Minister of this Church may, at his discretion, bless the parties to the union.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 114.]

Mr. Seymour also presented the following in connection with Message No. 82 of the House of Bishops which was adopted:

And further Resolved, that § III. [i.] reading as follows:

"(c) He shall satisfy himself that at least one of the proposed contracting parties has received Christian Baptism."

and § I. [ii.] in the Committee on Canons Report No. 9 House of Deputies Message No. 58 to the House of Bishops, [vi.] the pledge required to be taken by the parties to the marriage be referred to the next General Convention as unfinished business.

And further Resolved, That any modification of § V. in the House of Bishops Message No. 82, be also left as unfinished business, to be taken up at the next General Convention.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 114.]
The Rev. Dr. Thomas of the Joint Committee to Nominate Members of the National Council presented the following Report and the Secretary was directed to cast one ballot for the gentlemen named, which he did and the President declared them elected:

The Joint Committee on nominations to the National Council begs leave to report to General Convention that it has met three times and nominates the following for six year terms:

The Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Silver of New York, the Rev. Dr. Block of Missouri, Messrs. Sibley of Western New York, Patten of Tennessee, Newbold of Pennsylvania and Castle of Washington, D.C.

And for three year terms:

The Bishop of Ohio, the Rev. Mr. Dagwell of Colorado and Mr. Bryan of Virginia.

GEORGE H. THOMAS, Secretary.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 119.]

The Rev. Dr. Washburn of the Joint Committee on Nominations to fill vacancies in the Board of Trustees of the Church Pension Fund presented the following Report and the Secretary was directed to cast one ballot for the gentlemen named, which he did and the President declared them elected:

For the term expiring in 1940:

The Bishop of New York, the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York, the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Cincinnati, Mr. Yarnel of Philadelphia, Mr. Seymour of Long Island, Mr. Baker of New York (in place of Mr. Wardwell).

For the term expiring in 1934:

Mr. Polk of New York and the Rev. Dr. Gates of New York.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 118.]

The Rev. Dr. Block of the Committee on Budget and Program presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

In a communication from the National Council, we have been informed that four Church weeklies, namely, The Living Church,—The Churchman,—The Witness,—and The Southern Churchman find their very existence jeopardized by the prevailing adverse financial conditions; and the National Council has transmitted to us an appeal from the editors of The Living Church and The Churchman that an emergency appropriation of from $25,000 to $50,000 be distributed among the four Church weeklies during the coming triennium.

We have given this matter careful consideration and beg to express our grave concern over the situation as communicated to us. We believe it would be disastrous for the Church to lose the service of her Church weeklies and we call upon the clergy and laity of the Church to redouble their efforts to secure, both by increased subscriptions and by generous contributions to emergency funds which may be organized by the several papers, the continuance of these important weeklies.
On ground of both economy and policy, however, we cannot recommend favorable action upon the proposed request. We, therefore, offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the financial needs of the Church weeklies be earnestly commended to the clergy and laity of the Church in the confident hope that additional subscriptions and emergency support may make the continuance of these weeklies possible; and further be it Resolved, That the petition for appropriation for emergency help of these weeklies from National Council funds be not granted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 143.]

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented the following resolutions which were adopted:

WHEREAS, There has been referred to our Committee a resolution appended to the report of the Commission on Christian Education based on the Report of a Commission appointed to study the five Church Colleges. The said resolution asking recommendation of an appropriation of not more than $1,200 for expenses.

Be it Resolved, That this Committee, through its secretary acquaint the House with the principle established in this Committee whereby recommended appropriations for items not included in the adopted Budget shall be commended to the National Council for consideration, but that no definite appropriation be recommended by this Committee.

Be it further Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we do favorably commend to the National Council this recommendation of the Committee on Religious Education.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 120.]

The Rev. Dr. Block presented the printed Report of the Committee on Budget and Program. (Appendix XV.)

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Rules of Order presented Report No. 2. Mr. Sayre of New York moved to strike out the last line of Rule 22 requiring two-thirds vote of the members present to sustain an appeal from the decision of the Chair so as to make the decision of the Chair sustained by a majority vote, which was adopted, and the Report, as amended, was adopted as follows:

REPORT No. 2. The Committee on Rules of Order to which was referred the resolutions of Dr. Anderson of Georgia for changes and revisions of Rules of Order Nos. 1-13-15-17-19-22-26-30-31-36 and 37 have considered and approved the same and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the above mentioned Rules of Order of this House be amended and revised so as to read as follows:

RULE 1. The daily sessions of the House shall be opened with prayer, and prayer for Missions shall be had daily at noon.

13. Except by leave of the House, no member shall speak more than twice in the same debate, nor longer than ten minutes at one time.
15. All resolutions must be reduced to writing and must bear the name of the mover thereof, and the same shall appear on the Minutes of the House. No motion or resolution can be offered or shall be deemed to be before the House unless the maker has first been recognized by the President and the motion has been seconded.

17. When a question is under consideration no motion shall be received except (1) to adjourn, (2) to lay it upon the table, (3) to take a vote thereon immediately or at a time certain, (4) to extend limits of debate, (5) to postpone to a time certain, (6) to commit or to recommit it, (7) to amend it, or (8) to postpone it indefinitely.

Motions for any of these purposes shall have precedence in the order herein named.

19. When a motion is pending the following amendments shall be in order: (1) one amendment may be made to each independent or separable portion thereof, and (2) one 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.

No proposition not germane to the subject under consideration shall be received under color of an amendment or a substitute.

Neither the substitute nor its amendment shall be voted on (except to lay on the table) until the original matter is perfected. 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.

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. On such appeal the vote shall be upon the question, "Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?"

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 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, and the question of its immediate consideration shall be submitted to the House as soon as the report is presented. (The balance of Rule 26 to remain as at present.)

30. (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.

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 such motion to reconsider.

(b) Only one reconsideration of any matter shall be had. 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.

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.

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, including Sundays.

37. (a) When considering the election of a Bishop, the approval of his testimonials or assent to his consecration, and when acting upon the election of the Presiding Bishop the House shall sit in Executive Session, which shall be held as soon as practicable after the receipt of official notification from the House of Bishops of these elections.

(b) The election of the Presiding Bishop shall be by individual secret ballot unless otherwise ordered by vote of the House or by demand of the entire Clerical or Lay Representation from any Diocese before the balloting begins.

(c) Confidential notifications from the House of Bishops of election by them of the Presiding Bishop or of any other Bishop shall be referred immediately, without reading, to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, who shall make report thereon to such Executive Session of the House.

J. Randolph Anderson, Vice-Chairman.

The same gentleman of the same Committee presented:

Report No. 3. Your Committee on Rules of Order to which was referred on September 26th, the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio relative to manner of considering Episcopal elections, etc., in Executive Sessions have considered the same and beg to report that the Committee has made provision for the same in our Report No. 2, covering this and other proposed changes and revisions of Rules of Order; and that no further action is necessary.

J. Randolph Anderson, Vice-Chairman.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops. Referred to the Committee on Consecration of Bishops, and on motion an Executive Session was made the Order of the Day at 3 o'clock.

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 Denver, and in the State of Colorado, did, on the twenty-ninth day of September in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, in con-
formity with Canon 14, § 11. [i.], make choice of the Reverend William Blair Roberts to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of South Dakota.

James DeWolf Perry, Bishop Presiding.
John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Rules of Order presented the following Reports and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted:

Report No. 5. Your Committee on Rules of Order to which was referred the resolution of Dr. Anderson relative to amendment of the Standing Orders of this House have considered and approved the same and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That Standing Order No. 5 be and it is hereby repealed.

Report No. 4. Your Committee on Rules of Order to which was referred the resolution of Dr. Anderson relative to a change in the Joint Rules have considered the same and recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That each of the clauses of Joint Rule 3 be numbered consecutively as separate rules instead of as clauses of one rule.

Resolved further, That the present clause (IV.) of present Joint Rule 3 be amended by adding thereto the following sentence:

"No Joint Resolution creating Joint Committees or Joint Commissions shall provide that they shall have power to fill vacancies or to add to their number unless the same is so ordered by a two-thirds vote of each House."

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 117.]

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland presented the following resolution which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be given the Members of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce for the able, patient and fair minded way in which they have performed the difficult and laborious duty assigned them by the Convention of 1925.

The Rev. Mr. Butler of Minnesota presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Members of the House of Deputies hereby express their deep appreciation and hearty thanks to the Bishops, Clergy and people of the Diocese of Colorado for their cordial and gracious hospitality during the two weeks in which we have gathered together in the City of Denver attending the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

Report No. 10. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that the Rev. Mr. Woodward of the Diocese of Missouri appointed an Alternate Deputy to this General Convention is entitled to serve in this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Bloy.

Martin Aigner, Chairman.
On motion of Dr. Anderson, the House went into Executive Session to consider the report of the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops. The Rev. Mr. Shepherd of that committee presented Report No. 7 and the resolution attached thereto 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 Right Reverend William Blair Roberts, Bishop Suffragan of South Dakota to be the Bishop of the Missionary District of South Dakota respectfully submits the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies give its consent to the election of The Right Reverend William Blair Roberts to be Bishop of the Missionary District of South Dakota.

R. Bowden Shepherd, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 116.]

Dr. 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 Rev. Dr. Tomkins of the Committee on Social Service presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

In view of the gravity of the present economic crisis and the need not only for closer co-operation between employers and employees but also for the systematic study on the part of all Church people of questions of social economy as they bear upon our present industrial system, and

**WHEREAS,** The Industrial Fellowship of the Episcopal Church has been established since the last General Convention under the auspices of the Department of Christian Social Service by a group of laymen in our Church for the two-fold purpose:

1. To affirm the ultimate authority of the Christian law to rule social practice.
2. To study in common how to apply the principles of Christianity to the industrial and economic conditions of our time,

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention urges the extension of the Industrial Fellowship of the Church, and asks the Department of Christian Social Service to encourage the formation of Diocesan Chapters of the Industrial Fellowship.

Floyd W. Tomkins, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 133.]

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Provinces presented the following report and the resolution attached thereto being a substitute for the resolution offered by Mr. McCalla of Springfield and accepted by him was adopted:

The Committee begs leave to report that it has considered the resolution, that it rejoices to have the General Convention commit any
task to the Provinces for they were organized as agencies of the General Convention and auxiliaries to the National Council, that the Provinces are happy to engage in any and every helpful work within their power and especially in work which the constituent dioceses might not be able to do individually. It seems to the Committee that the General Convention may well assign to the Provinces the beneficent task of caring for the disabled and destitute clergy within their respective territories; but that the method of doing this should be left to the individual Provinces.

The Committee therefore presents, as a substitute the following resolution, for your consideration and action:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention recommend to the Provinces the creation in each Province of a Commission consisting of the Bishops of the Province and a suitable number of Presbyters and Laymen of the Province to consider at once the circumstances and the needs of the non-parochial disabled and destitute clergy within its territorial limits who do not now come within the canonical purview and beneficient activity of the Church's Pension Fund, and make for them every possible provision as soon as possible.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 121.]

The Rev. Dr. Sill in the absence of the Rev. Dr. Kinsolving presented the report of the Committee on Christian Education and the resolution attached thereto was adopted:

The Committee on Christian Education to which was referred the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Booth of Michigan:

WHEREAS, We worship God as Love and Truth, and should follow the exhortation to seek Him, and

WHEREAS, Our ever increasing knowledge of God and His universe makes it not only more and more difficult to hold to the letter of our old beliefs, but inadvisable to do so,

Be it Resolved, That to become, or remain, a member, Priest or Bishop of this Church it is not necessary to interpret literally the Bible or the Creeds.

Ask that they be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

A. B. KINSOLVING, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented the following Reports and the resolutions thereto attached were adopted:

REPORT No. 26. Your Committee to which was referred Message No. 79 from the House of Bishops proposing amendment to Canon 13 on the translation of Bishops, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies do not concur with the House of Bishops in their Message No. 79 and the Committee be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 128.]
REPORT NO. 27. Your Committee to which was referred Message No. 80 from the House of Bishops, proposing amendment to Canon 24, § II., defining the duty of a Deaconess, 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 their Message No. 80.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 126.]

REPORT NO. 29. Your Committee to which was referred Message No. 132 from the House of Bishops supplementing their Message No. 80 by amending Canon 24, § I., by striking out the word "unmarried or widowed," and the final clause, reports that it has considered the same and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies concur with the House of Bishops in this amendment.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 126.]

Message No. 81 of the House of Bishops which had been referred to the Committee on National and World Problems was recalled from the Committee and the House concurred with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 81 informing the Senate of the United States that it is the sense of this Convention that the United States should become a member of the Permanent Court of International Justice without delay.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 130.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 89. Eleventh Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 1931.

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. 51 recommending that the General Convention inform the Church of the immediate necessity of caring, so far as may be possible, for the physical needs of our fellow Christians in China and of providing for reconstruction of our damaged and destroyed Mission property due to the unprecedented floods in central China; that the National Council be instructed to take such steps as may be necessary to give to all our people an early opportunity to make their offerings for the foregoing purposes; and that the Bishops of Shanghai, Anking and the Suffragan Bishop of Hankow be asked to convey to the people of the Church of China the deep sympathy of the Church in the United States in this time of suffering and sorrow.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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. 52 recommending that Canon 44, § I. "Of
Regulations respecting the Laity" be amended by inserting in lines 1-8-12-13-15-17-20 and 22, after the word "communicant" the words "or baptized member".

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

**MESSAGE No. 92.**

Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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 that § II. of Canon 53 be repealed, and the following sections of Canon 53 be renumbered to accord therewith.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

**MESSAGE No. 93.**

Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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. 61 recommending that the National Council approve the use of Undesignated Legacies received by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society for the construction, improvement, enlargement and equipment of buildings to be used for Missionary purposes whether in Missionary Districts or in Dioceses needing aid, for the payment of expenses of promoting the Advance Work Program and for the establishment of retiring funds for Church workers in the employ of the Missionary Society and for like purposes of a permanent character.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

**MESSAGE No. 94.**

Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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 recommending that the General Convention approve the use of Undesignated Legacies received by the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society for the construction, improvement, enlargement and equipment of buildings to be used for Missionary purposes whether in Missionary Districts or in Dioceses needing aid, for the payment of expenses of promoting the Advance Work Program and for the establishment of retiring funds for Church workers in the employ of the Missionary Society and for like purposes of a permanent character.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

**MESSAGE No. 95.**

Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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. 63 recommending that the Diocesan Quotas shall hereafter be based upon the "Current Expenses" as shown by Parochial Reports published in the latest available Diocesan Journals.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

**MESSAGE No. 96.**

Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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 stating 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.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

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. 65 recommending that "Current Expenses" shall be defined as outlined.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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 recommending that the loving congratulations of this General Convention be extended to the American Church Institute for Negroes on its twenty-fifth anniversary, and also that we express to the Reverend Robert W. Patton, D.D., our hearty sympathy in his temporary illness and assure him of our prayers.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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. 67, recommending that the Committee of the House of Bishops on the General Theological Seminary and the Committee of the House of Deputies on the General Theological Seminary be hereby constituted as a Joint Ad Interim Committee of the two Houses, with power to fill vacancies.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 100. Eleventh Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 1931.

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, recommending that the National Council be instructed to pay annually the first $15,000.00 of the Good Friday Offerings to the Jerusalem and the East Mission (in accordance with its pledge in 1923); that any offerings over that sum shall beentrusted to the National Council to be used in the work in the Near East, and also that the National Council show in its annual report the total amount received and how expended in each year.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 103. Eleventh Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 1931.

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. 74 with reference to the amendment of § V. of Canon 46 "Of the Standard Book of Common Prayer."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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 and accept the substitution in their amendment to Canon 61, § VI. [1].

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.
MESSAGE No. 107.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
September 28th, 1931.

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 and accepts the substitutions in their amendments to Canon 61, § II. [ii.]; and Canon 61, § II. [iii.].

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 108.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
September 28th, 1931.

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. 84 and accepts the substitution of the words "Joint Committee Ad Interim" for the words "Joint Commission."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 109.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
September 28th, 1931.

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, recommending that the report of the Treasurer, with the certificate of the auditors attached hereto, be accepted and printed in the Journal, subject to the finished audit by the accountants of certain receipts since August 31, 1931.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 110.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
September 28th, 1931.

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 recommending that the budget for the triennial period ending September 30, 1934, as outlined in Message No. 87, be adopted.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 115.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
September 28th, 1931.

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 relative to the appropriation to cover the entertainment and expenses of the Lord Bishop of St. Alban's.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 116.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
September 28th, 1931.

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, relative to the Committee on Expenses meeting during the interval between this Convention and the next succeeding one.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 117.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
September 28th, 1931.

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. 90, recommending that a petition be sent to
The Congress of the United States relative to Federal Supervision of Motion Pictures in interstate and foreign commerce, as outlined in Message No. 90 of the House of Deputies.

**MESSAGE No. 118.** Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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 of the House of Bishops.

**ATTEST:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

**MESSAGE No. 121.** Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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. 79 with the exception that it substitutes in line 4 in place of the words “First Protestant Church” the words “First Church of English speaking Christians.”

**ATTEST:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing amendment to its Message No. 79.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 125.]

**MESSAGE No. 122.** Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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. 72 and yields to the House of Deputies in the first resolution of this Message.

**ATTEST:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

**MESSAGE No. 123.** Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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

**THAT this house accedes in Message No. 85 of the House of Deputies of non-concurrence in Message No. 70 of the House of Bishops.**

**ATTEST:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

**MESSAGE No. 127.** Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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 and accepts the amendment in Resolution 2, third line, substituting “as may be possible” for the word “necessary.”

**ATTEST:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that in its Message No. 80 on the adoption of amendments to Canon 24, § II., there should have been included the following amendment which was adopted by the House of Bishops:

**THAT Canon 24, § I. be amended by striking out the words "unmarried or widowed", and the final clause.**

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

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

**Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the President of the United States be informed that it is the sense of this Convention that our Government should urge an immediate substantial reduction of armament of all nations of the world at the disarmament conference of February, 1932.**

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 127.]

The Rev. Dr. Maxon presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

**Resolved, That the House of Deputies is awaiting the action of the House of Bishops relative to the Memorial of the Diocese of Michigan with the amended Canon proposed and adopted by the House of Deputies early in the session of the Convention.**

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 122.]

The Rev. Dr. Goodwin of Southern Virginia presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

**Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Bishop to be designated by the House of Bishops, and the President of the House of Deputies be and they are hereby requested, to select or prepare appropriate prayers and devotions to be appended to the Report of the Joint Committee on National and World problems, and that the Report and all Resolutions pertaining thereto together with the prayers appended be sent to all the clergy and vacant parishes and Theological Seminaries for their students with the suggestion that the report be read and the prayers used in connection with the services of intercession suggested in said Report of the Joint Commission for Sunday, November 8th, and Saturday, November 7th, 1931.**

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 124.]

Dr. Mansfield of Connecticut presented the following which was adopted by a rising vote:
Dear Dr. Davis:

For seventeen consecutive sessions of our General Convention you have served in this House, you were a Deputy for two sessions and for fifteen sessions you have been either our Secretary or a Member of our Secretarial Staff. We are deeply grateful for your long and faithful service, covering, as it does, a period of fifty years, and embracing one-third of the time since General Convention first assembled.

Please accept this expression of appreciation at our hands. May God grant to you many years more in which you may continue to serve Him, to the glory of His name, and the good of His Church.

On behalf of the House of Deputies

[Signed by the President] ZEBARNEY PHILLIPS, President.

Mr. Wickersham of New York presented the following resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, It appears that during the coming winter all social agencies will be called upon to extend relief to the needy and to aid in securing work for the unemployed and there may be difficulty in discriminating between those actually in need and those who are not worthy of assistance, and

WHEREAS, The social organizations in the various parishes of the Church are in a position to ascertain the actual needs, not only of our own people, but of many others in their parishes.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That it be recommended to all the Rectors and other authorities of every parish to establish co-operation with other Churches in their vicinity to secure and furnish to National, State and Local Committees on unemployment information which may aid them in giving assistance and employment to those in actual distress and to prevent the abuse of agencies of relief.

Further Resolved, That all Church members be urged to co-operate actively with local agencies engaged in such work.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 123.]

The Rev. Dr. Chorley of New York presented the following preambles and resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, The utmost importance attaches to the widest dissemination of adequate and accurate reports of activities within the Houses of and incidental to this General Convention, and

WHEREAS, National Press Associations, leading newspapers in many sections of the country as well as local broadcasting stations and telephone and telegraph companies have contributed to make this nationwide service possible,

Therefore be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention herewith expresses its appreciation of the generous co-operation accorded by these agencies and,
Further be it Resolved, That this Convention expresses like appreciation for the sustained and capable work of the Department of Publicity in general and of its National News Bureau in particular for its effective efforts in organizing these agencies on behalf of such nation-wide publicity whether by the printed word, by radio or by picture.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 132.]

The Rev. Dr. Aigner presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee to which was referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces be continued as an Ad Interim Joint Committee of the two Houses of the General Convention, to consist of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, to be appointed by the President of the House of Bishops and the President of the House of Deputies, and that the Committee shall be known as the Joint Committee on Provinces.

MARTIN AIGNER, Chairman.

The President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of Erie, Rev. Dr. Blaisdell of Tennessee, Rev. Dr. Washburn of Massachusetts, Dr. Dibble of Western Michigan, Mr. Monteagle of California and Mr. Katzenbach of New Jersey.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 163.]

The Rev. Dr. Hart of Tennessee presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters and ten Laymen 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 the General Convention of 1934 and that opportunity for public hearings be afforded by this Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Tomkins of Pennsylvania presented the following resolutions and asked for their adoption by a rising vote and they were so adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies desires to express its appreciation of the valuable work done for this body by its President, whose impartiality and promptness have at all times been evident on every question however difficult or complicated.

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Hon. J. Randolph Anderson for his great and valuable services rendered in the guidance of the business of this body as Chairman of the “Despatch of Business.”

Resolved, That the House of Deputies desires to express its appreciation to the Bishop of Colorado, to the clergy and the citizens of Denver, and especially to the Churches thereof and to the Motor Corps for their courtesy and gracious hospitality extended to the members of and the visitors to the General Convention,
No. 58 being taken from the Calendar, the resolution of the National Council on inaugurating Missionary work in India, the following substitute offered by Mr. Thorne of New York was adopted:

WHEREAS, Within the past ten years repeated requests have been received from authorities of the Church of England and in India for the aid of the Church in the United States in making Our Lord known in India, and

WHEREAS, Since the establishment in 1930 of the Church of India, Burma and Ceylon, that request has been urgently renewed by the Indian Church, and

WHEREAS, The Archbishop of Calcutta heartily endorses the plea of the Bishop of Dornakal, the Rt. Rev. V. S. Azariah, that the Church in the United States begin work in a section of the Diocese of Dornakal:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That General Convention believes that this call from the Church of India, Burma and Ceylon, should have an early and favorable response, and that consent of General Convention be and it is hereby given to the undertaking of the work outlined by the Archbishop of Calcutta and the Bishop of Dornakal, on condition that sufficient financial support, outside the Budget adopted at this Convention, can be secured to carry it on for a trial period of three years at an approximate cost, including capital expenditure, of $15,000 a year.

Further Resolved, That the National Council is authorized to take such steps as may be necessary to bring this call to service in India to the attention of the people of the Church and to secure the offers of service and the funds required for the support of the proposed work.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 139.]

Dr. Anderson presented the following resolutions from the Report of the Board of Church Finance, which were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Board of Church Finance be discharged;

Further Resolved, That the duties hitherto laid upon the Board be hereafter fulfilled by the National Council.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 140.]

The Secretary read the following resolutions adopted by the Triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary. The Secretary was instructed to acknowledge the communication and to say that this House has already adopted two resolutions looking to this matter:

Resolution Adopted by the Woman's Auxiliary

WHEREAS, The achievement of a peaceful World, which many of the most thoughtful minds consider essential for the continuance of our civilization and which all Christians must believe to be in accordance with the mind of our Lord, We, the Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Church in Triennial assembled,

1. Affirm that war as a method of settling international disputes is incompatible with the teaching and example of our Lord Jesus Christ.
2. We believe that peace will never be achieved till international relations are controlled by religious and ethical standards, and that the moral judgment of humanity needs to be enlisted on the side of peace. We therefore appeal to religious leaders of all nations to give their support to all international efforts that make for justice, peace and brotherhood.

3. Inasmuch as the United States, with fifty-seven other nations, has pledged its word of honor in the Kellogg Pact, to settle all international disputes only by pacific means, we appeal to our Government to base its own actions on that pledge and, in conference with others, do all in its power to make the Pact a reality in international relations.

4. When nations have solemnly bound themselves by Treaty, Covenant or Pact for the pacific settlement of international disputes, we hold that the Christian Church in every nation should refuse to countenance any war in regard to which the Government of its own country has not declared its willingness to submit the matter in dispute to arbitration or conciliation.

5. We believe that the existence of armaments on the present scale amongst the nations of the World endangers the maintenance of peace and imposes a needlessly heavy burden on the peoples of the World. We therefore appeal for a determined effort on the part of our Government, by example as well as precept to secure immediate substantial reduction, especially at the approaching and epoch making Disarmament Conference.

For the Committee

MRS. ROGER A. WALKE, Chairman.

No. 43 being taken from the Calendar the following resolution presented by Mr. Barbour of Michigan was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Church Press is faced by a serious financial situation due to a lack of support by the members of the Church, and

WHEREAS, It is a recognized fact that education through the medium of publicity is in this modern day an accepted method of spreading Christ's Kingdom;

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Nation-wide subscription campaign for the support of our national weeklies, including The Churchman, The Witness, The Southern Churchman and The Living Church, to be put on by the boys and young men of the Advance Division of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew during the month of November, as a service to the Church, be commended to the attention and support of the Bishops, Priests and Lay members of the Church throughout the United States.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 131.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 135. Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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. 104 amending the Message of the House of Bishops No. 86 by substituting the word "Minneapolis" for the words "Atlantic City".
And the House of Bishops asks for a Committee of Conference on this matter.

The Chair on behalf of this House has appointed: the Bishop of Cuba, the Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House acceded to the request contained in the foregoing Message and the President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

Mr. Bonsall of Pennsylvania, the Rev. Dr. Grant of Chicago, the Rev. Dr. Forkess of Pittsburgh.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 137.]

MESSAGE No. 131. Eleventh Day of Session, September 28th, 1931.

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

WHEREAS, The Church Boarding Preparatory Schools, are among the most valuable agencies the Church possesses for executing the teaching Mission of the Church; and for the development of character; and

WHEREAS, Because of the failure of our Church people generally to appreciate this fact these schools have received such scant support both in the way of patronage and gifts from our people that almost every year one or more of them either has to be closed or are lost to the Church; and,

WHEREAS, These Schools, as a rule, are in jurisdictions which are themselves not able to aid them financially;

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the National Council be and it is hereby instructed to see that its Department of Religious Education begins a sustained campaign of education of our people to the end that proper support may be secured both in students and gifts; and that funds, not otherwise appropriated, be set aside for this purpose.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 136.]


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 recommending that the Presiding Bishop be requested to convey to the children and the members of the Church Schools, on behalf of this Convention, its deep gratitude for their splendid and generous offering toward the Church’s Missionary work during the past triennium.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the report of the Joint Committee on National and World Problems be printed and distributed to the Bishops and Clergy of this Church.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 135.]


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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Convention approve the Report of the Joint Commission on King Theological Hall, That the Joint Commission be continued, and That the Presiding Bishop be requested to fill the vacancies on the Commission occasioned by the death of the Rt. Rev. Beverly D. Tucker and the Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Garland. (Appendix XXIV.)

Resolved further, That the Joint Commission be requested to take steps to wind up the affairs of King Theological Hall at as early a date as possible.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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


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. 93 relative to the adoption of the Church Flag and Seal.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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. 97, with reference to recommending to the National Council that the National Commission on Evangelism be granted an extra appropriation of $2,000.00.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Convention looks with favor upon the National Council's policy of granting subsidies to pay, in whole or in part, the salaries of student pastors, both men and women, thus aiding the Dioceses and Missionary Districts where these leaders work; and instructs the National Council to put in operation, wherever expedient, and where requested to do so by the
Dioceses, a similar policy to provide Diocesan or District Directors of Religious Education.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 134.]


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

WHEREAS, The Seamen's Church Institute of New York has requested that "the Seamen's Church Institute of America consider such change in its name, as while still indicating the National scope of its work, shall render it unlikely that the public will confound the two institutes in connection with legacies, donations, or otherwise," and

WHEREAS, The Seamen's Church Institute of America has denied this request and through its acting President replied "we feel a loyalty to the General Convention which gave us this name, and to the National Council by which we are in part supported, to carry on under their direction," and

WHEREAS, The Seamen's Church Institute of America has through its Executive Secretary asked the Joint Commission on Seamen's work to determine the mind of General Convention on this matter;

Resolved, First, That the name "Seamen's Church Institute of America" is so intimately associated with the interest taken by our Church in Merchant Seamen and is the title under which this great enterprise in behalf of Merchant Seamen has become known both nationally and internationally, therefore every effort should be made to avoid the possible inconveniences and misunderstandings connected with a change in its name; and

Second, That this consideration, however, does not supercede the importance of encouraging the progress of every autonomous institute affiliated with the Seamen's Church Institute of America and therefore, if it be demonstrated that any affiliated institute be seriously hampered by the present name of the National Organization a change in name may be advisable and will in no way affect the support which General Convention will give to the Seamen's Church Institute of America under another name; and permission is hereby given for such change in name as may be deemed by the Board of Directors of the Seamen's Church Institute of America, and

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Seamen's work be continued and that the following be elected members from this House for the ensuing triennium: the Bishop of California, the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of South Carolina, the Bishop of Easton, the Bishop of Olympia, the Bishop of Texas, the Bishop of New York.

The Committee respectfully suggests to the House of Deputies the following nominations for membership on this Joint Committee representing the House of Deputies: Rev. A. R. Mansfield of New York, Rev. C. P. Deems of San Francisco, Rev. W. T. Weston of New York, Rev. R. A. Kirchoffer of Mobile, Rev. S. C. Hughes of Newport,
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the report of the Joint Commission on Seamen's Work be approved and the resolutions therein be adopted.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

Vote was taken on the two parts of the foregoing Message separately. The Rev. Mr. Hughes of Rhode Island offered the following as an amendment to the first part of the House of Bishops Message which was adopted:

Amend Message from House of Bishops that a Referee be appointed by the Presiding Bishop to decide whether there is interference between the Church Institute of America and the Seaman's Church Institute of America and in what way that may be remedied.

On the second part, Mr. Sayre of New York moved to amend by striking out all reference to members being appointed by this House which was adopted. The House then concurred with the House of Bishops with the above amendments.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 141.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 111. Eleventh Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 28th, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that according to the provision of Canon, the House of Bishops nominates, for confirmation by the members of the House of Deputies, the name of Reverend Wm. S. Slack as Recorder.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

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. 138.]


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

WHEREAS, The Supreme Court by a vote of 5 to 4 has recently decided that the oath of allegiance for citizenship requires a promise to bear arms in any war regardless of the conscience of the individual, and

WHEREAS, The dissenting opinion written by Chief Justice Hughes asserts the following principles:
"In the forum of conscience, duty to a moral power higher than the State has always been maintained. The essence of religion is belief in a relation to God involving duties superior to those arising from any human relation.

"One cannot speak of religious liberty with proper appreciation of its essential and historic significance, without assuming the existence of a belief in supreme allegiance to the will of God.

"Freedom of conscience itself implies respect for an innate conviction of paramount duty. The battle for religious liberty has been fought and won with respect to religious beliefs and practices, which are not in conflict with good order, upon the very ground of the supremacy of conscience in its proper field."

WHEREAS, Christians can recognize no authority superior to that of the will of our Lord Jesus Christ, though it is conceded that if a man's conscience compels him to disobey the laws of his country, he must be prepared without complaint to take the consequences of such disobedience,

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, We earnestly petition Congress to modify existing laws particularly the Naturalization Act of 1906, so as to avoid placing multitudes of loyal citizens in the unhappy position of being forced to choose between their Country and their God.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tempore.

Mr. Sayre of New York moved to amend the foregoing Message by striking out all the preambles which was carried.

Mr. McCook of Connecticut offered as a substitute to the Message of the House of Bishops the following:

Resolved, That since conscientious members of this House are not of one mind on this controversial question, the Convention deems it inappropriate to take action thereon.

Mr. Brown of Pennsylvania presented the following substitute for the amendment of Mr. McCook which was adopted by a vote of 163 to 81.

WHEREAS, Under the present laws of the United States, an applicant for citizenship will be refused if he states that he would be unwilling to bear arms in a war to which he might conscientiously object, and

WHEREAS, The present laws of the United States relieve citizens who are conscientious objectors from the duty of bearing arms;

Resolved, That this Convention expresses its earnest hope that the naturalization laws and the oath of allegiance of the United States may be so modified that such conscientious objectors may be admitted to citizenship, provided they are willing to serve their country in the event of war by non-combatant service.

The House then concurred in the foregoing Message with the amendments.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 142.]

The House stood adjourned.
The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the twelfth day were read and approved.

The following Deputy, not before present appeared and took his seat:

The Rev. Mr. Saylor of Porto Rico.

The President announced the appointment of the following Committee:

Of Visitation and Consultation to Study the Needs and Problems of our Church Colleges:

The Rev. Mr. Carpenter of Western New York, the Rev. Dr. Thayer of Massachusetts and the Rev. Mr. Hodgkin of California, Mr. Hallihan of Delaware and Mr. Moore of Ohio.

Mr. Riley spoke of the accident which had occurred to Mr. North of Western Nebraska on his way home and moved that a telegram of sympathy be sent to him which was adopted by a rising vote.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the Order of the Day, which was adopted.

No. 14 being taken from the Calendar, being the resolution from the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church, Alexandria, Va., protesting the sanction of a proposed resolution prohibiting Episcopal Chaplain service in Army or Navy in case of War.

Dr. Anderson called the attention of the House to the fact that the resolution against which the protest was made had never been presented in this House, and, therefore, asked that consideration of the protest be indefinitely postponed.

Mr. Grant of the Committee on Conference of the two Houses on the place of meeting of the next General Convention presented the following report:

Your Committee appointed to confer with the Committee of the House of Bishops on the place of meeting of the Convention of 1934, respectfully recommends that both Houses recede from their respective positions and the conference committee agrees that the following resolution be submitted in each House:
Resolved, That recognizing the historic significance of the 150th Anniversary of the Diocese of New Jersey, your Committee feels it desirable that the General Convention should be held in the Diocese of New Jersey. We recommend the selection of the City of Princeton as ideal for the purpose and respectfully suggest to the Bishop of New Jersey that, if at all possible, Princeton be selected. If for good and sufficient reasons Princeton is not available we recommend that the next meeting of the General Convention be held in Cleveland, Ohio.

Your Committee recommends the adoption of the Resolution, and that the Committee be discharged.

William Forkess,
Edward H. Bonsall,
W. W. Grant, Jr.

Dr. Anderson offered the following resolution as a substitute:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Report of the Conference Committee on place of meeting of the next Convention be disagreed to and that the City of Minneapolis be selected as the place of meeting for the next General Convention.

The Rev. Mr. Gomph of Newark moved to amend the substitute by striking out “Minneapolis” and substituting “Atlantic City” which was adopted by a vote of 142 to 125. Thereupon the substitute as amended was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 144.]

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of the Committee on Elections presented:

Report No. 11. The Committee on Elections begs leave to report that the Rev. Mr. Saylor of the Missionary District of Porto Rico, elected as an Alternate Deputy to the General Convention is entitled to serve as a Deputy in this Convention in place of the Rev. Mr. Swinson.

Martin Aigner, Chairman.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

Message No. 134.

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 Marriage and Divorce be continued with power to add to its numbers and to fill vacancies, and

Further be it Resolved, That all reports of Joint Commissions and Committees of General Convention shall be submitted to the Presiding Bishop not later than three months prior to the convening of General Convention, and that the Presiding Bishop be requested to have these reports made public exclusively through the Publicity Department of the National Council, it being understood that the acts and
reports of these Commissions shall be held as confidential until they have been given to the public in the manner herewith specified, and

Further be it Resolved, That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be requested to prepare and publish a digest of said Canon Law.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson reported that Message No. 134 of the House of Bishops had been referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce and recommended that the House concur in resolutions one and three. And the House concurred. The Rev. Dr. Nelson moved that the House do not concur in the second resolution, which was carried. The House, thereupon, concurred in the House of Bishops Message No. 134 as amended.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 148.]


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. 49 relative to the appointment of a Joint Committee to consider the desirability and feasibility of publishing a quarterly Magazine for this Church.

The Chairman has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of Central New York.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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 recommending the appointment of a Joint Commission to take such measures as they may deem necessary or desirable to commemorate the Sesquicentennial of the election at Woodbury, Conn. of the Rev. Samuel Seabury, as the First Bishop of this Church.

The Chairman has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Presiding Bishop ex-officio, the Bishop of Connecticut, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Ohio.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 91. Eleventh Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 28TH, 1931.

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 recommending that a Joint Committee be appointed, consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, to nominate Trustees of the Church Pension Fund, to fill the vacancies caused by expiration of term of office, by death and by resignation.

The Chairman has appointed, as members, on the part of this House: the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of New Hampshire.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.
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 and accepts the amendment to Canon 61, § VI. [1.], as follows:

"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 request of the Presiding Officer or at the written request of any nine members thereof."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

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. 38 on Canon 23.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

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. 92 recommending that this Church invite all Christian bodies throughout the land to unite with us during the last two weeks of the next Lenten Season in daily intercessions to Almighty God.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

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. 98 recommending that the Advance Work Program for the next triennium be approved; and also that instructions, as outlined in Message No. 98 of the House of Deputies, be communicated to the National Council.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

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 recommending that this Convention commend to all Dioceses and to all Vestries of Parishes in college communities, the advantage of consulting with the College Commission through the National Secretary for College Work when filling vacancies in such parishes.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

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

WHEREAS, the House of Bishops has listened with interest to the report of the Committee on the Five Colleges affiliated with the Protestant Episcopal Church, therefore be it
Resolved, That the House of Bishops, the House of Deputies concurring, expresses its deep appreciation of the work of this special committee, and the value of the facts disclosed.

AETEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

MESSAGE No. 136. Seventh Day of Session, September 23rd, 1931.

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 hereby authorizes the National Council, through the Department of Foreign Missions, to continue its study of the possibility of work in India by this Church, and report to the General Convention of 1934.

Further Resolved, That in view of the hopes expressed in many quarters that this Church may in the near future undertake work in India, the National Council is authorized to take such steps, as it may deem wise, to secure pledges for gifts from interested friends in such amounts as in the judgment of the National Council would be necessary to inaugurate and maintain work in India for an experimental period of three years, on condition that no commitments be made and no work undertaken until authorities therefor have been given by the General Convention.

AETEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

A motion to substitute for the above the resolution offered by Mr. Thorne and adopted by the House of Deputies yesterday, was lost, and the House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 153.]

The Secretary of the House of Bishops later sent word saying "Our Message is withdrawn because your Message on same subject has precedence. We concurred." So House of Deputies Message No. 153 is of no avail.

MESSAGE No. 137. Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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. 96 that an advisory committee of five persons be constituted a Committee of Visitation and Consultation to study the needs and problems of our Church Colleges.

AETEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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 providing for the appointment of a Joint Commission on the status of the Negro in the Protestant Episcopal Church.
The Chairman has appointed, as members on the part of this House: the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Indianapolis, the Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee, the Bishop of Texas, the Bishop Coadjutor of North Carolina.

Attest: John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 139. Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That in their further study of the matter of Holy Matrimony, the Joint Commission on this subject be requested to add to its number at least four women, communicants of the Church who may serve in a consultative capacity.

Attest: John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

Mr. Seymour of Long Island presented the following amendment to the foregoing Message, which was adopted, and the House concurred in the Message as amended:

Amend Message No. 139 to read as follows:

Resolved, That in their further study of the matter of Holy Matrimony, the Joint Commission on this subject consider the advisability of obtaining the aid of Women Communicants of this Church in a consultative capacity.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 152.]

MESSAGE No. 141. Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Church express its thanks and appreciation to the members of the Board of Trustees of the Church Pension Fund, to its President Bishop Lawrence, and to its executive Vice-President Mr. Monell Sayre for the effective handling of the pension funds of the Church whereby (in the short space of 15 years) the minimum pension of our clergy has been increased from $600.00 to $1,000.00 a year.

Attest: John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 151.]

MESSAGE No. 142. Twelfth Day of Session, September 29th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention affirms the action of the House of Bishops at the General Convention of 1928, acknowledging the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui as a branch of the Catholic Church with which this Church is in full communion and recognizes its right to act in all things pertaining to its own Canons and Standing Orders; and

Resolved further, That this statement be communicated to the House of Bishops of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui and to the House of
Bishops of the Nippon Sei KoKwai with an expression of thankfulness that the provincial organization attained in China and Japan whereby the Nippon Sei KoKwai and the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui have become constituent Churches of the Anglican Communion.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 149.]

MESSAGE No. 144. Twelfth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1931.

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. 114 adopting the report of the Committee of Conference on proposed Canon 43 and the further resolutions included in the Message.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 145. Twelfth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1931.

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. 115 adopting the report of the Commission appointed at the General Convention in the City of New Orleans in 1925 as to Canons 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and 40, together with amendments as indicated in the accompanying copy of the same.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 146. Twelfth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1931.

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. 53 adopting amendment to Canon 7, § VI. [i.]

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 147. Twelfth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 29TH, 1931.

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. 45 adopting three resolutions prepared by the Commission on Faith and Order.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.


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. 111, recommending that we urge the separate Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the Church to take steps to require that all duly elected Clerical and Lay Deputies to the General Convention notify the Secretary of their respective Dioceses or Missionary Districts at least thirty days before the opening day of General Convention whether they have reasonable expectation of being able to attend.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the House of Bishops has had before it for consideration a communication from the Living Church and the Churchman addressed to the National Council and referred by the National Council to General Convention, suggesting that the National Council include in its budget an appropriation subsidizing the four Church weeklies.

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That these communications be again referred to the National Council, expressing, at the same time, agreement with a resolution presented to this House by the Bishop of Central New York, that the National Council be requested to consider the discontinuance, as soon as possible, of the publication of “The Church at Work”; and, in view of the financial needs of the weekly Church newspapers, that the sum, or parts of the sum, thus conserved through the elimination of the expense of this publication be used in publicity advertising and publication of news of the Church’s work in the weekly Church press.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House did not concur in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 150.]

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

WHEREAS, The Standing Rock Indian Reservation lies within the boundaries of two different States, approximately one-third in North Dakota, and two-thirds in South Dakota, and

WHEREAS, It seems clear that more effective administration of our Missions would be obtained if it were worked as a unit;

Therefore, be it Resolved, That such portion as lies within the State of North Dakota be and hereby is, attached to the Missionary District of South Dakota; it being understood that title to all property now held or hereafter acquired within the annexed area shall vest in the holding corporation of the Missionary District of North Dakota.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 165.]

The following resolution was presented which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Committee on Canons be requested to put into shape the Canon on Marriage and Divorce as finally adopted as soon as possible, and that the Secretary of the House of Deputies be instructed to send a printed copy to every clergyman of this Church together with the Pastoral Letter and the Report of the Committee on National and World Problems.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 155.]
The Rev. Dr. Silver of New York presented the following resolution which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Scottish Rite Masons for their courtesy in placing their building at the disposal of the House.

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of the Committee on Canons presented the following report:

REPORT No. 30. Your Committee on Canons respectfully reports, in accordance with Canon 63, § II, that 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.

WM. D. MAXON, Chairman.

The Rev. Dr. Powell reported that the Rev. Dr. Powell and Mr. Battle had been appointed as the Committee on certifying changes in the Constitution.

Mr. Seymour presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That no action be taken on the Report of the Joint Commission on Placement of Clergy, as the Committee has been informally advised that the House of Bishops has referred the same back to the Commission for further consideration.

The Rev. Dr. Stetson of New York presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Church Flag and Seal be continued with power to fill vacancies and to add to their number.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 154.]

The Rev. Mr. Murphy of Texas presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be extended to the Commission on the Ministry for its work in studying the matter of "Placement of Clergy" and that the Commission be requested to continue this study.

Dr. 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 is ready to adjourn and requests to be informed whether the House of Bishops has any further communications or business to send to this House before adjournment.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 156.]

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:
MESSAGE No. 151.
Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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. 117 recommending that each of the clauses of Joint Rule 3 be numbered consecutively as separate rules instead of as clauses of one rule; and that clause [iv.] of present Joint Rule 3 be amended by adding thereto the sentence: "No Joint Resolution creating Joint Committees or Joint Commissions shall provide that they shall have power to fill vacancies or to add to their number unless the same is so ordered by a two-thirds vote of each House."

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 152.
Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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 relative to the Commission appointed to study the five Church Colleges.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 153.
Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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. 121 recommending the creation in each Province of a Commission to consider the circumstances and needs of the non-parochial disabled and destitute Clergy within its territorial limits.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 154.
Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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. 123 recommending that all Rectors and other authorities of every Parish establish co-operation with other Churches in their vicinity to secure and furnish to National, State and Local Committees on unemployment, information which may aid them in giving assistance and employment to those in actual distress; and to urge all Church members to co-operate actively with local agencies engaged in such work.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 155.
Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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 on the matter of appropriate prayers and devotions be appended to the Report of the Joint Commission on National and World Problems.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 156.
Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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. 131 recommending that the nation-wide sub-
scription campaign for the support of our national weeklies be commended to the attention and support of the Bishops, Priests, and Lay members of the Church throughout the United States.

**MESSAGE No. 158.**

Thirteenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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 recommending that the report of the Conference Committee on place of meeting of next Convention be disagreed to and that Atlantic City be selected as the place of meeting for the next General Convention.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

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 express to the Bishop of Washington and his co-workers its hearty felicitations upon the splendid progress made in the building of the Cathedral in the Capitol of the Nation, as well as its deep interest in the unique work of the College of Preachers, an institution which widely ministers to the Clergy of the Church, and assures the Bishop and Chapter of Washington Cathedral that it earnestly hopes the work now in process may go forward unlet and unhindered to the end that this witness to Christ in the Capitol of the Republic may be brought speedily to completion.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 157.]

**MESSAGE No. 160.**

Thirteenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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 consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen be appointed to study the legislation concerning eligibility of Bishops for election to other jurisdictions and to report to the next General Convention.

**ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.**

The House concurred in the foregoing Message and the President appointed, as members, on the part of this House:

The Rev. Dr. Maxon of Michigan, the Rev. Dr. Powell of California, the Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, Mr. Parker of Massachusetts, Mr. Mason of Chicago, Mr. Lightner of Minnesota.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 158.]

The Rev. Mr. Poyner of South Carolina presented the following resolution which was adopted:
Resolved, That this House express its thanks to the Pastor of the United Presbyterian Church for the use of its Church for devotional services during this Convention.


The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has nominated as Custodian of the Standard Book of Common Prayer the Rev. Lucien M. Robinson, D.D.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House confirmed the nomination contained in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 160.]

MESSAGE No. 162. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the matters referred to the Joint Commission on Permanent Location of National Headquarters and Questions Bearing Upon the Subject be transferred to the new Commission on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop and that this Commission be discharged.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 162.]

MESSAGE No. 163. Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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

WHEREAS, The Presiding Bishop, beyond any other person in our Church, has more accurate information respecting the needs and work of the whole Church; and

WHEREAS, At present there is no proper opportunity afforded him to bring these matters before the Church during General Convention, (but only that he report his official acts);

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That following the custom in Diocesan Conventions of providing opportunity to the Bishop to deliver a charge to his co-workers, similar opportunity be provided to the Presiding Bishop in the place of the Convention Sermon at the Opening Service.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 159.]
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention express to the Bishop of Colorado, the Coadjutor Bishop, The Dean of the Cathedral, the Clergy, the Convention Committee and the people of Denver its deep and hearty appreciation of the admirable arrangements made for the entertainment of the Convention. In every detail the utmost consideration has been given to the convenience and comfort of the delegates to the Convention. The Convention conveys to the Bishop of Colorado and his Associates its warm affection and lasting gratitude.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message with a rising vote.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 161.]

The Rev. Dr. Goodwin of Southern Virginia presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That this House acknowledge with sincere appreciation the invitation of the Congress of the United States extended through the United States Yorktown Sesquicentennial Commission to this Church to spiritually participate in the Sesquicentennial Celebration, and this House urges that Sunday, October 18, 1931, be observed in all our Churches by appropriate commemorations.

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 140. Thirteenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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. 118 relative to the election of members to the Board of Trustees of the Church Pension Fund.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 164. Thirteenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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. 143 recommending that the financial needs of the Church weeklies be commended to the Clergy and Laity of the Church in the hope that support be given to make possible the continuance of these weeklies; and that emergency help from National Council funds be not granted.

ATTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 165. Thirteenth Day of Session, SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

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 amending the resolution in Message No.
72 of the House of Bishops, recommending Sunday, November 8th, as a day of Prayer and Penitence.

**Attest:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

**Message No. 168.**

Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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 and accepts amendments offered by the House of Deputies.

**Attest:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

**Message No. 169.**

Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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 relative to the call from the Church of India, Burma etc.

**Attest:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

**Message No. 170.**

Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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. 140, to the effect that the Board of Finance be discharged and its duties fulfilled by the National Council.

**Attest:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

**Message No. 171.**

Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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, recommending amendments to resolutions on the Seamen's Church Institute.

**Attest:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The President appointed as members of the Seamen's Church Institute, the names included in House of Bishops' Message on this subject.

**Message No. 172.**

Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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. 142, amending Message 113 of the House of Bishops, in relation to the laws of citizenship.

**Attest:** JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

Mr. Seymour made the following announcement for the information of the House:

In 1902, Henry Codman Potter, the then Bishop of New York, addressing the Church Club, said: "I have great hope in our relation to the Old Catholic Movement. It is of far wider importance than any other which has so far appeared on the horizon." Bishop Potter had
been appointed by the House of Bishops at its meeting in April, 1902, to carry the greetings of the House to the Synod of the Old Catholic Church to convene at Bonn.

Information has been received from the Right Rev. Dr. Kury of Berne, Switzerland, Secretary of the Council of Old Catholic Churches, that the Conference on September 7, accepted terms of inter-communion negotiated at a Joint Conference of the Anglican Communion and the Old Catholic Churches held in Bonn, Germany, July, 1931. This action is the outcome of a movement sponsored loyally by the late William R. Huntington of Grace Church, New York, and the Right Rev. Henry C. Potter, Bishop of New York.

This Joint Commission met at Bonn, July 2, 1931, and presents the following report:

Statement agreed between the representatives of the Old Catholic Churches and the Churches of the Anglican Communion at a conference held at Bonn on July 2, 1931.

1. Each Communion recognizes the Catholicity and independence of the other and maintains its own.

2. Each communion agrees to admit members of the other communion to participate in the sacraments.

3. Intercommunion does not require from either communion the acceptance of all doctrinal opinion, sacramental devotion, or liturgical practice characteristic of the other, but implies that each believes the other to hold all the essentials of the Christian faith.

[Signed]

A. C. Gloucester  C. B. Moss
Staunton Fulham  C. L. Gage-Brown
A. S. Duncan-Jones  J. H. Deventer
N. P. Williams  Adolf Kury
J. A. Douglas  George Moog
G. F. Graham-Brown  A. Rinkel

The following Messages were received from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 166.**

Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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 recommending that this Convention express its appreciation of the generous co-operation accorded by the National Press Associations, leading newspapers in many sections of the country, the Department of Publicity in general and of its National News Bureau, as well as local broadcasting stations and telephone and telegraph companies.

Attest: John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

**MESSAGE No. 167.**

Thirteenth Day of Session, September 30th, 1931.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Fiftieth Meeting of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church desires to express to our brethren of other Christian Communions in Denver
who have courteously placed their Church buildings at the disposal of
the Convention for devotional and other meetings, the gratitude we
feel for this mark of fraternal kindness and help; and prays that the
friendship and fellowship thus offered and accepted will be a means of
setting forward good-will and mutual understanding among the mem-
bers of our several communions.

ATTTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 164.]

MESSAGE No. 173. Thirteenth Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has
concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution con-
tained in its Message No. 145, containing the resolution rejecting the
recommendation for an increase of $2,500.00 per annum for the work of
the Commission on Faith and Order.

ATTTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 174. Thirteenth Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has
concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution con-
tained in its Message No. 133 recommending that the General Conven-
tion urge the extension of the Industrial Fellowship of the Church,
and asks the Department of Christian Social Service to encourage
the formation of diocesan chapters of the Industrial Fellowship.

ATTTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 175. Thirteenth Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it ac-
cepts the amendment contained in its Message No. 152 of concurrence
with Message No. 139 of the House of Bishops on the Joint Commissi-
on on Marriage and Divorce.

ATTTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 176. Thirteenth Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has
concurred with the House of Deputies in its Message No. 154 contin-
uing the Joint Commission on Church Flag and Seal.

ATTTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.

MESSAGE No. 177. Thirteenth Day of Session,
SEPTEMBER 30TH, 1931.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has
concurred in its Message No. 155 requesting the Committee on Canons
to put into shape the Canon on Marriage and Divorce as soon as
possible, etc.

ATTTEST: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Secretary Pro Tem.
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred in its Message No. 163 continuing the Joint Commission on Provinces.

**Attest:** John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has completed its business and is now ready to adjourn.

**Attest:** John H. Fitzgerald, Secretary Pro Tem.

The Secretary read an invitation from Dr. Rudolph B. Tuesler, Director of St. Luke's International Medical Centre, Tokyo, inviting the members of this House to the opening of the Hospital. The invitation was received and the Rev. Mr. Poyner presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That this House of Deputies in Session thank Dr. Tuesler for the invitation to attend the opening exercises of St. Luke's Hospital and to extend congratulations upon his wonderful success in his efforts to raise sufficient funds to complete St. Luke's Hospital.

The House adjourned without date to attend the closing service in St. John's Cathedral. Prayers were said, the Pastoral Letter was read by the Bishop of San Joaquin, and the Benediction was pronounced by the Presiding Bishop.

Zeb Barney Phillips, President
Carroll M. Davis, Secretary
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, § 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 Session.

The Agenda prepared by the Council was adopted. Request was made that no resolutions be adopted by Joint Session and that all matters for definite action be presented in due course to the business sessions, and that discussion be deferred until then. Full opportunity to be given for questions.

The Presiding Bishop presented his report as President of the National Council.

The Presiding Bishop read the following telegram:

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RT. REV. BISHOP PERRY:
Presiding Bishop General Convention of Episcopal Church Denver, Colorado.

The Synod of the Church of England in Canada send cordial and fraternal greetings to the Bishops and Deputies of the Episcopal Church of the United States now assembled in General Convention and assure them of our sincere prayers for the blessing of Almighty God upon their deliberations.

CLAIRE NOVA SCOTIA.

On motion of Bishop Sanford, the Presiding Bishop was requested to send a reply to the Acting Archbishop, which motion was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.


The Treasurer of the National Council, Lewis B. Franklin, D.C.L., then made his report for the last triennium, and proposed the General Church Program for the coming three years.
Noonday prayers were said by the Presiding Bishop.


Mr. Page of Virginia stated that he had received a letter from the Rev. Dr. St. George telling of the fiftieth anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood, and suggested that a message of congratulation be sent to Dr. St. George, which was adopted by a rising vote.

The Rt. Rev. Frank W. Creighton, S.T.D., Bishop of Mexico, and also Domestic Secretary, presented the report on Domestic Missions.

The House adjourned for lunch and the Bishops, clergy and lay deputies, also members, officers and secretaries of the National Council, and the Press were guests of the Diocese of Colorado at a luncheon held at the Cosmopolitan Hotel.

Afternoon Session

The session was opened by the singing of the hymn, "Ye Christian Heralds, go proclaim."

John Wilson Wood, D.C.L., presented the report on Foreign Missions.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving presented the following resolution which was adopted by a rising vote:

Inasmuch as the Rt. Rev. Logan H. Roots, D.D., of Hankow is absent from this Convention by reason of the great disaster that has befallen his district:

Resolved, That we, his brethren assembled in this Joint Session render him our assurance of deep sympathy in his own and his people's burdens, our regret at his absence, and our pledge to stand behind the National Council in their plans to aid him and his stricken people in this emergency.

The Rev. John W. Suter, Jr., presented the report of the Department of Religious Education.

The Rev. Dr. Aigner of Erie presented the following resolution which was adopted by a rising vote:

Whereas, The devoted women of the American Church have just presented again, in a great service, a United Thank Offering exceeding far a million dollars, all given in a time of great stress and trial in ad-
dition to all their other gifts for the maintenance and advancement of the Church's Mission at home and abroad, therefore be it

Resolved. That the members of the Joint Session of the General Convention of 1931, assembled in the City of Denver, herewith express and place on record their devout gratitude to the giver of every good and perfect gift that He has put it into the hearts of the faithful women of this Church to "devise liberal things"; that they also assure the generous women of this Church of the sincere appreciation of this Joint Session of the achievement of such excellent financial results for the work of Christ and His Church; and that they also express and place on record their conviction that the splendid achievement of this great United Thank Offering, has proven an inspiration not only to this General Convention but to the whole American Church throughout its length and breadth.

The Presiding Bishop introduced the Rev. C. Rankin Barnes who had just been appointed Executive Secretary of the Department of Christian Social Service and the Rev. Mr. Barnes made the report for that department.

The Presiding Bishop then called upon Mr. Spencer Miller, Jr., Consultant on Industrial Relations in the Department of Christian Social Service who made a most interesting report.

The Rev. G. Warfield Hobbs presented the report of the Department of Publicity.

The Rev. Dr. Bartelle H. Reinheimer presented the report of the Field Department.

The Report of the Woman's Auxiliary was presented by Miss Grace Lindley, Executive Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Mockridge of Philadelphia presented a resolution extending to the Pastor of the Central Presbyterian Church, the Rev. Dr. Anderson, and the Board of Trustees the grateful thanks of the members of the Joint Session for the hospitality extended to the General Convention in the use of the Church.

The Rev. Dr. Anderson being out of the city, Dean Dagwell presented Dr. Anderson's Assistant, the Rev. Chester Rutledge, who made a gracious speech of welcome and expressed on behalf of the Pastor and members of the Church their pleasure in being able to place their facilities at the disposal of the Convention.

The Joint Session stood adjourned at 5:00 P.M.

F. J. Clark, Secretary.
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 the statistics therein included, gleaned from the Triennial Reports. These records are apparently much more complete and therefore more reliable than those of previous years.

The Committee has found it impossible to make any satisfactory analysis of the figures and has asked that the Committee on the State of the Church be made an ad interim Committee, with the hope that the Committee may in the future present a worthwhile report.

At the suggestion of the Chairman the House of Deputies adopted the following resolution:

Resolved: The House of Bishops concurring, that the Committee on the State of the Church be constituted an ad interim Committee in order that it may be the better able to do its work.

This resolution was communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 46, and the House of Bishops concurred as communicated in its Message No. 62.

Howard W. Diller, Chairman.
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**11. Dallas** 398,639.32
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**14. East Carolina** 279,164.61
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**26. Los Angeles** 1,305,376.96
**27. Louisiana** 1,540,122.33
**28. Maine** 464,984.61
**29. Marquette** 1,568,495.79
**30. Maryland** 4,447,248.43
**31. Massachusetts** 2,360,763.77
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- Population: 285,769,866
- Change: 14,201,727
- Income: 21,875,593
- Change: 1,253,650

**Increase:**

- Population: 3,763,992
- Income: 27,725,593
- Change: 10,261,572

**Decrease:**

- Population: 2,780,057
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APPENDIX II.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON MEMORIALS OF DECEASED MEMBERS

"Unto Almighty God we commend the souls of our brothers departed in sure and certain hope of the Resurrection unto eternal life through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Diocese of Albany:

The Rev. Hubert P. L. Grabau, born May 5, 1860; died October 18, 1930. Member of three General Conventions.
Henry Griffing, born 1841; died 1928. Member of five General Conventions.
Russell M. Johnson, born 1864; died 1931. Member of two General Conventions.
John A. Dix, born 1860; died 1928. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Arkansas:

The Rev. Howard M. Ingham, born 1845; died October 7, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Bethlehem:

The Rev. Walter C. Roberts, born May 25, 1855; died October 28, 1930. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of California:

The Rev. William A. Brewer, D.D., born June 2, 1863; died June 23, 1931. Member of one General Convention.
The Rev. Frederick W. Clampett, D.D., born October 18, 1859; died February 16, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Central New York:

The Rev. William B. Clarke, D.D., born July 2, 1860; died September 2, 1931. Member of five General Conventions.
William P. Baker, born January 3, 1870; died January 8, 1930. Member of one General Convention.
Frank L. Lyman, born February 7, 1859; died July 5, 1931. Member of five General Conventions.

Diocese of Chicago:

The Rev. William C. Dewitt, D.D., born October 31, 1860; died September 27, 1931. Member of three General Conventions.
The Rev. Thomas W. MacLean, L.L.D., born March 6, 1848; died April 25, 1930. Member of six General Conventions.
The Rev. Henry R. Neely, born February 27, 1860; died May 12, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.
Jesse Holden, born 1851; died July 14, 1930. Member of three General Conventions.

Diocese of Colorado:

The Rev. Charles H. Marshall, born November 10, 1849; died November 27, 1930. Member of five General Conventions.
The Rev. Charles H. Shutt, born October 9, 1865; died May 5, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.
Diocese of Connecticut:
The Rev. Frederick W. Harriman, D.D., born November 22, 1852; died February 19, 1931. Member of five General Conventions.
Alfred Gildersleeve, born August 23, 1872; died September 14, 1930. Member of one General Convention.
William W. Skiddy, born April 26, 1845; died October 7, 1929. Member of ten General Conventions.
Samuel A. York, born October 11, 1868; died March 7, 1931. Member of one General Convention.

District of Cuba:
The Rev. Charles W. Frazer, born April 10, 1863; died 1930. Member of one General Convention.
The Rev. Juan C. McCarthy, born April 25, 1866; died September 27, 1931. Member of three General Conventions.

Diocese of Dallas:
The Rev. John T. Foster, died January 5, 1929. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Delaware:

Diocese of Erie:
The Rev. Edward J. Owen, D.D., born September 3, 1879; died August 28, 1929. Member of four General Conventions.

Diocese of Florida:
William W. Hampton, born January 22, 1856; died November 20, 1928. Member of thirteen General Conventions.
John G. Ruge, born July 20, 1854; died July 26, 1931. Member of three General Conventions.

Diocese of Fond du Lac:
Harry Price, born November 10, 1874; died March 27, 1930. Member of four General Conventions.

Diocese of Harrisburg:
The Rev. Alexander McMillan, born August 5, 1846; died June 1, 1930. Member of one General Convention.
The Rev. George I. Browne, born March 19, 1866; died June 30, 1930. Member of one General Convention.
Thomas H. Hammond, born 1858; died June 4, 1931. Member of one General Convention.

District of Idaho:
The Rev. James W. Somerville, born October 16, 1869; died 1931. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Indianapolis:
The Rev. James W. Comfort, born May 5, 1850; died August 26, 1929. Member of one General Convention.
The Rev. John E. Suiigar, born October 9, 1861; died April 21, 1929. Member of ten General Conventions.
Diocese of Iowa:
The Rev. David C. Garrett, born December 13, 1857; died August 17, 1930. Member of three General Conventions.
The Rev. Edward H. Rudd, S.T.D., born August 17, 1850; died October 20, 1928. Member of three General Conventions.
George F. Henry, born August 27, 1854; died September 9, 1931. Member of twelve General Conventions.
J. Howard Henry, born November 21, 1849; died January 13, 1929. Member of one General Convention.
Carlos D. Jones, born 1850; died May 7, 1931. Member of five General Conventions.

Diocese of Kansas:
The Rev. Otis E. Gray, born November 11, 1880; died January 15, 1930. Member of six General Conventions.
The Rev. James P. DeB. Kaye, born July 4, 1864; died July 10, 1929. Member of four General Conventions.
John McEwan Ames, born February 12, 1867; died January 6, 1929. Member of five General Conventions.

Diocese of Kentucky:
The Rev. George Chapman Abbitt, born January 23, 1860; died May 15, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.
The Rev. Charles Ewell Craik, D.D., born May 7, 1851; died December 22, 1929. Member of five General Conventions.
The Rev. J. Howard Gibbons, born December 22, 1870; died April 29, 1930. Member of six General Conventions.

Diocese of Long Island:
William J. Tully, born October 1, 1870; died August 22, 1930. Member of four General Conventions.

Diocese of Los Angeles:
The Rev. Robert L. Windsor, born 1876; died September 25, 1929. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Maryland:
The Rev. Hugh Birkhead, D.D., born September 7, 1876; died July 9, 1929. Member of one General Convention.
George C. Thomas, born March 14, 1873; died August 11, 1930. Member of four General Conventions.

Diocese of Massachusetts:
The Rev. John McG. Foster, born February 4, 1860; died November 3, 1928. Member of one General Convention.
The Rev. William H. van Allen, LL.D., born February 16, 1870; died August 23, 1931. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Michigan:
George D. Patterson, born February 1, 1864; died May 22, 1930. Member of one General Convention.
O. D. Sullivan, born November 4, 1862; died January 25, 1929. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Milwaukee:
The Rev. Charles N. Lathrop, D.D., born November 16, 1871; died January, 1931. Member of three General Conventions.
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Diocese of Missouri:
The Rev. Edmund Duckworth, died February 20, 1930. Member of four General Conventions.
The Rev. Henry W. Mizner, born September 2, 1868; died July 9, 1930. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Montana:
The Rev. Francis W. Bateman, born June 14, 1860; died April 21, 1931. Member of one General Convention.

District of Nevada:
Warren J. Flick, born May 4, 1862; died August 2, 1931. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of New Jersey:
The Rev. Otis A. Glazebrook, D.D., born October 4, 1846; died April 26, 1931. Member of seven General Conventions.
The Rev. Charles M. Perkins, born October 12, 1844; died December 11, 1929. Member of four General Conventions.
Augustus A. De Voe, born August 7, 1845; died October 13, 1929. Member of four General Conventions.
Harry Humphreys, born May 2, 1883; died April 23, 1929. Member of three General Conventions.
Charles Townsend, died December 16, 1930. Member of two General Conventions.

District of New Mexico:
The Rev. William E. Warren, born 1869; died November 28, 1929. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Newark:
Decatur M. Sawyer, born February 1, 1849; died January 7, 1931. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of New York:
Vernon M. Davis, born January 29, 1855; died August 17, 1931. Member of two General Conventions.
George Zabriskie, born October 12, 1852; died October 4, 1931. Member of four General Conventions.

Diocese of North Carolina:
Samuel S. Nash, born April 23, 1848; died May 21, 1930. Member of six General Conventions.

Diocese of Olympia:
The Rev. George G. Ware, born January 7, 1857; died July 9, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.
George H. Plummer, born March 11, 1871; died January 27, 1930. Member of three General Conventions.
Walter E. Turrell, born June 10, 1852; died April 18, 1930. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Oregon:
The Rev. Albert A. Morrison, Ph.D., born March 8, 1862; died June 28, 1931. Member of two General Conventions.
Diocese of Quincy:
The Rev. Francis M. Wilson, born November 3, 1860; died August 9, 1929. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Rhode Island:
The Rev. Frederick J. Bassett, D.D., born March 9, 1856; died July 18, 1930. Member of seven General Conventions.
Rathbone Gardner, born February 18, 1856; died June 22, 1931. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Sacramento:
James L. Martin, born September 25, 1856; died October 25, 1928. Member of one General Convention.

District of South Dakota:
The Rev. Edward Ashley, D.D., born December 12, 1854; died March 30, 1931. Member of six General Conventions.
James E. Mather, born December 1, 1879; died January 27, 1931. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Southern Virginia:
Ware W. Robertson, born May 7, 1863; died December 15, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Southwestern Virginia:
The Rev. George O. Mead, born May 15, 1870; died January 29, 1930. Member of two General Conventions.
The Rev. Edward H. Ward, D.D., born December 18, 1849; died January 9, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Springfield:
The Rev. Henry M. Chittenden, born September 27, 1849; died July 3, 1930. Member of three General Conventions.
The Rev. John M. Page, born September 22, 1868; died March 15, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.
The Rev. Joseph G. Wright, born March 26, 1846; died February 23, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.
Fred N. Morgan, born July 5, 1859; died December 8, 1929. Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Tennessee:
The Rev. Mercer P. Logan, D.D., born October 16, 1856; died December 1, 1928. Member of one General Convention.
William B. Nauts, born February 5, 1860; died April 20, 1931. Member of three General Conventions.

Diocese of Texas:
The Rev. John Sloan, born August 1, 1860; died August 22, 1930. Member of two General Conventions.
Charles L. Johnson, born May 15, 1845; died May 9, 1929. Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Upper South Carolina:
Richard I. Manning, born August 15, 1859; died September 11, 1931. Member of thirteen General Conventions.
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District of Utah:
Morris L. Ritchie, born January 23, 1858; died February 4, 1929.
Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Vermont:
Edward L. Temple, born May 12, 1844; died October 9, 1928.
Member of six General Conventions.

Diocese of Virginia:
Member of two General Conventions.
Robert Beverley, born April 26, 1859; died December 28, 1928.
Member of four General Conventions.

Diocese of Western Massachusetts:
The Rev. Latta Griswold, born February 4, 1876; died April 14, 1930.
Member of two General Conventions.
William A. Gallup, born October 28, 1851; died August 9, 1930.
Member of one General Convention.
Levi H. Greenwood, born December 22, 1872; died April 7, 1930.
Member of one General Convention.
Nathaniel T. Hurilbut, born June 24, 1860; died December 2, 1929.
Member of one General Convention.
Newbold Morris, born January 12, 1868; died December 21, 1929.
Member of three General Conventions.
Charles L. Nichols. Member of two General Conventions.
Member of one General Convention.

Diocese of Western Michigan:
Charles A. Wilkes, born November 22, 1858; died September 12, 1930.
Member of three General Conventions.

District of Western Nebraska:
Member of two General Conventions.

Diocese of Western North Carolina:
The Rev. J. W. C. Johnson, born August 30, 1871; died October 27, 1929.
Member of five General Conventions.

APPENDIX III.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CHURCH FINANCE

Since the creation of the Board of Finance in 1913 the Church has made great advances in her financial methods; her officers have realized a deepened desire of responsibility for the right use of the funds entrusted to them. Sound methods of accounting, budgets, auditing, and the care of trust funds have made great gains. Canons requiring and supporting reforms have been passed and on the whole are well observed.
The Board has attempted a pioneer work and has received gratifying response. Although other improvements and reforms are needed, the emphasis in financial methods will for the next few years be upon the faithful and uniform observance of the Canon and the practice of sound financial methods. The Board is convinced that the National Council is now best fitted to carry out this end.

To Mr. Robert C. Pruyn upon whose motion the Board was created and whose experience, devotion and leadership have enabled the Board to do its work, the Church owes a debt of gratitude. Since the last convention he has been compelled by ill health to resign.

The death of Mr. William J. Tully during the last Triennium removed an interested and wise counsellor.

The Board herewith presents two resolutions:
1. That the Board of Finance be discharged.
2. That the duties hitherto laid upon the Board be hereafter fulfilled by the National Council.

Note.—Both of these resolutions were adopted, thus completing a fine work for the Church.

Members of the Board

Mr. Charles A. Tompkins, Secretary, 281 Fourth Ave., New York.
The Rev. Luke M. White
Mr. Samuel Mather
Mr. William J. Tully (Deceased).
Mr. Robert C. Pruyn (Resigned).

APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

This report is based on an all-day meeting of your Commission with The Presiding Bishop, The Dean, certain Professors, and The Board of Trustees of the Seminary held at Chelsea Square, New York City, on February 13, 1931. The total attendance was twenty-seven Bishops, eight Presbyters and five Laymen. Members were present from Northern Indiana, Kansas, Minnesota, Illinois, Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island and New York. After their return home, those present sent letters of comment to the Secretary.

The outstanding factor in the Seminary is Dean Fosbroke. His modesty conceals him from public view. To realize what he is one must visit the Seminary and see him at work. His profound and broad culture and scholarship, his grasp of the fundamentals of our religion in relation to the vast material knowledge of our time, and his keen estimate of human nature, all mark him out as one of the leading theological educators of our time.
THE PROFESSORS

This is evidenced by the kind of teachers the Dean draws about him, by the large scope of his educational plans, by the intellectual atmosphere surrounding the student body and by the genuine devotional spirit that is fostered. The Seminary has had some great Professors in the past, Seymour and Richey among them, but it is true to say that at the present time the body of Professors as a whole is the strongest the institution has ever had.

THE TUTORIAL SYSTEM

One of the outstanding impressions of your Commission is connected with the Tutorial System recently developed under the leadership of Professor Leonard Hodgson. It is an original conception related to the methods of American educational experience and adapted to the needs of often one-sided and frequently limited graduates from our universities and colleges. It is not a mechanical adaptation of tutorial theory as it has developed in England or in our own system of higher education.

The idea is not to assist the students in preparing for their recitations and examinations, not to jam the contents of lectures and books down the throats of open-mouthed birdlings, not to show them how to devour a book, but how to digest it—all this on the theory that it is better to think a little than to know a great deal and that knowledge without thought is generally useless and sometimes dangerous. Young recent graduates in theology who have shown exceptional ability are invited to live in close and sympathetic contact, each with a small group of students, to study with them the real problems of theology and show them how to think for themselves.

The System has already disclosed two important points to its credit. (1) It develops the average minded students to their full possibilities and sends them forth with a love of real study which continues as a developing influence in later years. (2) It discovers the rare minds, the educable minds, capable of walking in the higher paths of learning, and enables the Church to lay hold on them and draft them as leaders of thought in the modern world. Christianity has always been an intellectual religion—of the head as well as of the heart. Note St. Paul at Athens and Rome, Augustine of Hippo in Africa, Aquinas and the schoolmen founding and manning the universities in Europe, and Erasmus and Luther and Calvin at The Reformation. The great revolution in thought in our own time demands men of the same rugged faith and character to face the world with trained minds and high culture in defense of the faith which is the life of the Church. All our Theological Seminaries are aware of this and your Commission reports that the General Seminary is conspicuously alert to the problems involved.

PHYSICAL EQUIPMENT AND ENDOWMENT

Concerning the Seminary's physical equipment and endowment there is a stimulating problem before this Convention. There is a false idea current that the General Seminary is equipped and endowed sufficiently. As a matter of fact this idea is harmful and untrue. We have really outgrown our present accommodations and our endowment. The grounds and buildings have been kept in good condition with the greatest difficulty, and the Professors have been inadequately paid. The student body has increased to 163, the largest in our history. Eighty percent of them are graduates of university or college. Fine,
bright, eager minds they are, some of them capable of advanced learning and thought.

**The Endowment**

Of the one and one-quarter million dollars asked for by the Trustees seven years ago, about sixty percent has already been quietly raised, leaving five hundred thousand dollars still needed.

With such a Dean and such Professors, with such a large and promising body of students and more applying to enter, with such wise and progressive educational plans, your Commission is convinced that the General Seminary offers the noblest possible opportunity to the Church for strengthening its witness and widening its influence.

We therefore offer the following motion:

**WHEREAS,** It is 117 years since the Reverend Dr. Gadsden, later the fourth Bishop of South Carolina, offered the resolution in General Convention which brought the General Theological Seminary into being, and

**WHEREAS,** During that time, the Seminary has developed until under the present regime it has the strongest staff of Professors and the largest enrollment of students in its history and has evolved educational plans of the highest order, and

**WHEREAS,** The Joint Commission on the General Theological Seminary reports that $500,000 is the amount needed to complete the building and endowment fund asked for seven years ago,

Therefore, be it Resolved: That this Convention thanks those who have so generously helped this cause and commends the General Theological Seminary to the prayers and support of the Faithful in the hope and expectation that the required sum may be speedily raised.

J. CLARENCE JONES, Secretary.

**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 1929, 1930 and 1931, 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. The number of students enrolled has reached the highest point in the history of the institution, 163. These men come from 71 colleges and universities and represent 48 dioceses.

2. There has been notable progress in the provision of practical training. Under the direction of Professor Robbins, new courses in Homiletics have been introduced; Doctor Batten gives instruction in Psychotherapy, drawing on his own rich store of practical experience; under expert leadership the men study the methods and problems of social workers and, recently, with the help of the Social Service Department of the National Council, a course on Rural Sociology has been offered and has proved its worth.

3. The tutorial system which we instituted some five years ago has been further developed. It provides, as nothing else can, for the care of the individual student while he receives in the classroom the
stimulus and the breadth of outlook that only recognized leaders of thought can give.

(4) That the Seminary is offering this leadership in thought, two recent books are sufficient evidence: Professor Hodgson's "Essays in Christian Philosophy" and Professor Easton's "Christ in the Gospels". Both books have been widely welcomed as outstanding contributions to Christian scholarship.

(5) It is the cause of Christian scholarship, as well as that of the effective training of men for the ministry, that we have at heart as we work for the increase of the Endowment of the Seminary. Of the million and a quarter dollars for which we asked, something over one-half has been raised. We continue to hope that before long the Church may be brought to realize the primary necessity of providing generously for its theological seminaries. They are eager to render the larger service which sufficient resources would enable them to give.

The Seminary has been honored by a formal visit from your Joint Commission on the Seminary and it was a privilege to offer the members of the Commission an opportunity for first-hand acquaintance with what the Seminary is and what it is trying to do.

HUGHELL FOSBROKE, Dean of the Seminary.

J. WILSON SUTTON, Secretary.

APPENDIX V.

REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN OF THE STANDARD BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

Since the last General Convention, the Standard Book of Common Prayer has been prepared and printed in a remarkably beautiful form. It is hoped this Book will be on exhibition at the meeting of the Convention.

A certified copy of the Standard Book has been sent to the Ecclesiastical Authority of each Diocese and Missionary District for the use thereof as the Canon directs. Copies of this edition have been sent, as gifts, to various persons and institutions, as is noted in the Supplementary Report of the Commission on the Revision of the Prayer Book.

The expense of the preparation and printing of this Edition, as well as that of the Standard Book itself, was met by the generosity of a layman. The Custodian acted as one of the Editing Committee.

Several Publishers have issued large editions of the revised Prayer Book in different sizes for which the Custodian has issued his Certificate and the Publishers have presented copies of these various editions to the Custodian's Collection of Prayer Books.

It is expected that the valuable annotated catalogue of this Collection, made by the late Rev. Edward deS. Juny will soon be published by the Liturgical Commission.

The Custodian considers that the Canon requires him to give his Certificate only in case of a complete Edition of the Prayer Book, but
as a matter of courtesy, and following the precedence of his predecessor, Dean Hart, when requested by Publishers of portions of the Prayer Book, having assured himself of the accuracy of the text in each case he has issued his Certificate to that effect. This he has done on several occasions.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

LUCIEN MOORE ROBINSON,

APPENDIX VI.

REPORT OF THE CUSTODIAN OF THE ARCHIVES

The Custodian of the Archives begs to report that in accordance with action of last General Convention appointing a Joint Committee with power to act to provide for the temporary safekeeping of the Archives of the Church (see page 292 of Journal), the Committee arranged with the New York Historical Society to take the original manuscripts and transcripts into its custody and the following agreement, signed by all the members of the Committee and by John A. Wilkes, President of the New York Historical Society, is on deposit in the safe at the Church Missions House:

"To the New York Historical Society:

"Gentlemen:

"At the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church held at Washington in October, 1928, the undersigned, the Joint Committee on the Custody of the Archives of the General Convention, appointed pursuant to a joint resolution of the two Houses in October, 1925, were 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 might approve, of the Archives of the Church, keeping them in a safe accessible place, where access might be had to them for the purpose of examination and study.

"The Archives thus referred to embrace the following:

4. The Rev. Dr. Samuel Peters, LL.D., Manuscripts, 1772-1822, in 18 volumes.
6. Transcripts of documents relating to the Protestant Episcopal Church in America made by the Rev. Francis L. Hawks, in 17 folio volumes, as follows:
   Virginia, 1650-1793, 1 volume.
   Massachusetts, 1660-1785, 2 volumes."
Church, General, 1675-1775, 1 volume.
Pennsylvania, 1680-1778, 2 volumes.
New York, 1699-1782, 2 volumes.
New Jersey, 1700-1782, 1 volume.
Rhode Island, 1702-1800, 1 volume.
South Carolina, 1702-1777, 2 volumes.
North Carolina, 1703-1812, 1 volume.
Delaware, 1706-1782, 1 volume.
Connecticut, 1706-1779, 1 volume.
Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, 1711-1779, 1 volume.
Georgia and Florida, 1737-1782, 1 volume.

7. A box containing miscellaneous manuscripts of Dr. Hawks, Bishop Parker and Bishop Inglis, and other papers.

8. One folio volume containing information relating to the Danish Church and Clergy, dated 1826.

"The Joint Committee will deliver these Archives to the New York Historical Society upon the understanding that the society will repair the manuscripts with silk chiffon, used for such purpose, or some other similar material which will ensure their permanent preservation; will catalogue all the manuscripts and deposit them in locked steel cabinets; will hold the possession of the same subject to the order of the Joint Committee, or such other body as may be appointed by the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in the meantime giving to historical students and other persons properly qualified, who are interested therein, free access to the use of the same for examination and study under appropriate library regulations. It is further understood that in case the Protestant Episcopal Church should from time to time desire a photostatic copy of an individual document the Historical Society will furnish same free. In case State Historical Societies should desire photostatic copies of documents pertaining to the history of the State in which the Society is located the Historical Society agrees to furnish at reasonable cost such copies. It is further understood that the Historical Society will exercise due diligence in the care and custody of these Archives and will deliver all or any part of the same upon the written order of the Joint Committee or such other body as may be appointed for the purpose by the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

(Signed) JAMES DEWOLF PERRY,
G. ASHTON OLDHAM,
ROBERT LEROY HARRIS,
E. CLOWES CHOBLEY,
W. A. R. GOODWIN,
EDGAR L. PENNINGTON,
BURTON MANSFIELD,
HERBERT N. LAFLIN,
GEORGE W. WICKERSHAM,
JOINT COMMITTEE.

"New York, January, 1930.

"The undersigned, being thereunto duly authorized by the Board of Directors of the New York Historical Society, does hereby acknowledge delivery of the foregoing Archives of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and undertakes to hold and deal with the same as specified
in the foregoing communication from the Joint Committee above named."

(Signed) The New York Historical Society,

JOHN A. WILKES, President.

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The Custodian would also report that the Journals of the various dioceses have been classified and placed on shelves in the office of the Custodian, and that a large number of duplicate Journals have been destroyed. Before destroying these Journals the Custodian communicated with every diocese and missionary district offering any duplicate Journals in his possession which any diocese or missionary district might desire. A number of Journals were sent out in this way. This was in accordance with action of last General Convention. (See page 217 in Journal.)

FRANKLIN J. CLARK, Custodian.

APPENDIX VII.

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR

Twenty-three 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 Registrar has himself been present at the consecration of the Bishop of Tohoku; at the consecration of the Bishop of Wyoming; at the consecration of the Bishop Coadjutor of Pennsylvania; at the con-
secration of the Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York; at the con­secration of the Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia; at the consecration of the Suffragan Bishop of Long Island, and at the consecration of the Suffragan Bishop of New York.

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 expenses of the past Triennium have amounted to $262.16 covering the issuance of the letters of consecration, telegrams, postage, supplies and copying.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

September 1, 1931.

LETTERS OF CONSECRATION

CCCLVI.—REV. ALBERT SIDNEY THOMAS,
BISHOP OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

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., Presiding Bishop, Joseph Blount Cheshire, D.D., Bishop of North Carolina, and William Theodotus Capers, D.D., Bishop of West Texas, 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 St. Andrew's Day, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, in St. Michael's Church, Charleston, S. C., 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 Albert Sidney Thomas, 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 Diocese of South Carolina.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Charleston, and State of South Carolina, on the day and in the year above written.

John G. Murray, Presiding Bishop. (Seal)
Jos. Blount Cheshire, Bishop of North Carolina. (Seal)
Wm. Theodotus Capers, Bishop of West Texas. (Seal)
Theodore Du Bose Bratton, Bishop of Mississippi. (Seal)
Henry Judah Mikell, Bishop of Atlanta. (Seal)
Kirkman George Finlay, Bishop of Upper South Carolina. (Seal)
Thomas C. Darst, Bishop of East Carolina. (Seal)

Attest: William B. Sams, Deputy Registrar.
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., Presiding Bishop, John McKim, D.D., Bishop of North Tokyo, and Henry St. George Tucker, D.D., Bishop of Virginia, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Third Day of December, being the Monday after the First Sunday in Advent, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-eight, in St. Alban's Church, Mount St. Alban, Washington, D.C., 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 Norman Spencer Binsted, 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 Tohoku.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Washington, and District of Columbia, on the day and in the year above written.

John G. Murray, Presiding Bishop.
John McKim, Bishop of North Tokyo.
H. St. George Tucker, Bishop of Virginia.
Beverley Dandridge Tucker, Bishop of Southern Virginia.
Philip Mercer Rhinelander, Bishop.
James E. Freeman, Bishop of Washington.
Shirley H. Nichols, Bishop of Kyoto.

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, John Gardner Murray, D.D., Presiding Bishop, Walter Taylor Sumner, D.D., Bishop of Oregon, and Arthur Wheelock Moulton, D.D., Bishop of Utah, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under protection of Almighty God, did on the Twenty-fifth Day of January, being St. Paul's Day, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine in Trinity Church, Portland, Oregon, 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 Jenkins, 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 Nevada.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Portland, and State of Oregon, on the day and in the year above written.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Presiding Bishop.
WALTER T. SUMNER, Bishop of Oregon.
ARTHUR WHEELOCK MOULTON, Bishop of Utah.
LOUIS CHILDREN SANFORD, Bishop of San Joaquin.
EDWARD M. CROUS, Bishop of Spokane.
PETER TRIMBLE ROGERS.
MIDDLETON STUART BARNWELL, Bishop of Idaho.
NORMAN S. BINSTED, Bishop of Tohoku.
ADAM, New Westminster.
CHARLES, Columbia.
WALTER, Cariboo.
S. ARTHUR HUSTON, Bishop of Olympia.

Attest: EDWARD HUNTINGTON CLARK, Deputy Registrar.

CCCLIX.—REV. JOHN INSLEY BLAIR LARNED,
Suffragan 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, John Gardner Murray, D.D., Presiding Bishop, Julius Walter Atwood, D.D., and Herman Page, D.D., Bishop of Michigan, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Eleventh Day of February, being the Monday following Quinquagesima Sunday, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, in the Cathedral of the Incarnation, Garden City, 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 John Insley Blair Larned 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 Diocese of Long Island.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Garden City, and State of New York on the day and in the year above written.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Bishop of Maryland and Presiding Bishop.
JULIUS WALTER ATWOOD, Bishop.
HERMAN PAGE, Bishop of Michigan.
ARTHUR SEDDON LLOYD, Suffragan Bishop of New York.
GEO. A. BEECHER, Bishop of Western Nebraska.
DAVID LINCOLN FERRIS, Bishop Coadjutor of Western New York.
HERBERT SHIPMAN, Suffragan Bishop of New York.
ERNEST M. STIRKES, Bishop of Long Island.
WARREN LINCOLN ROGERS, Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDER, Registrar.
CCCLX.—REV. FRANK ELMER WILSON, S.T.D.,
BISHOP OF EAU CLAIRE.
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, Presiding Bishop, William Walter Webb, Bishop of Milwaukee, and Reginald Heber Weller, Bishop of Fond du Lac, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereeto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the First Day of May, being the Feast of St. Philip and St. James, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine in Christ Church Cathedral, Eau Claire, Wisconsin, 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...
and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Henry Pryor Almon Abbott, 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 Diocese of Lexington.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Lexington, and State of Kentucky, on the day and in the year above written.

JOHN G. MURRAY, Presiding Bishop.

CHARLES EDWARD WOODCOCK.

LEWIS W. BURTON, Bishop.

FRANK DU MOULIN.

WM. THEODOTUS CAPERS, Bishop of West Texas.

PHILIP COOK, Bishop of Delaware.

JAMES MATTHEW MAXON, Bishop Coadjutor of Tennessee.

ROBERT E. L. STRIDER, Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia.

EDW. T. HELFENSTEIN, Coadjutor Bishop of Maryland.

DERWYN, NIAGARA.

Attest: FRANK DAVIS, Deputy Registrar.

CCCLXII.—REV. FRANCIS MARION TAITT, S.T.D.,
BISHOP COADJUTOR OF PENNSYLVANIA.

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, Thomas James Garland, D.D., Bishop of Pennsylvania, William Thomas Manning, D.D., Bishop of New York, and, Nathaniel Seymour Thomas, D.D., Bishop, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Fourth Day of October, being the Friday before the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, in the Church of the Advocate, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 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 Francis Marion Taitt, S.T.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 the Diocese of Pennsylvania.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Philadelphia, and State of Pennsylvania, on the day and in the year above written.

THOMAS JAMES GARLAND, Bishop of Pennsylvania.

WILLIAM THOMAS MANNING, Bishop of New York.

NATHANIEL SEYMOUR THOMAS, Sometime Bishop of Wyoming.

JAMES S. DARLINGTON, Bishop of Harrisburg.

JOHN C. WAR, Bishop of Erie.

ALEXANDER MANN, Bishop of Pittsburgh.

FRANK W. STERRETT, Bishop of Bethlehem.

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, Reginald Heber Weller, D.D., Bishop of Fond du Lac, William Walter Webb, D.D., Bishop of Milwaukee, and Sheldon Munson Griswold, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of Chicago, 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 St. Andrew's Day, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, in St. Paul's Cathedral, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, 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 Harwood Sturtevant, S.T.B., D.O., 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 the Diocese of Fond du Lac.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Fond du Lac, and State of Wisconsin, on the day and in the year above written.

REGINALD H. WELLER, Bishop of Fond du Lac. (SEAL)
Wm. Walter Webb, Bishop of Milwaukee. (SEAL)
Sheldon Munson Griswold, Suffragan Bishop of Chicago. (SEAL)
Walter T. Sumner, Bishop of Oregon. (SEAL)
Benj. F. P. Ivins, Bishop Coadjutor of Milwaukee. (SEAL)
Frank E. Wilson, Bishop of Eau Claire. (SEAL)

Attest: Arthur H. Lord, Deputy Registrar.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, Charles Palmerston Anderson, D.D., Bishop of Chicago and Presiding Bishop, Thomas James Garland, D.D., Bishop of Pennsylvania, and Hugh Latimer Burleson, D.D., Bishop of South Dakota, and Assessor to the Presiding Bishop, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Thirteenth Day of December, being the Friday before the Third Sunday in Advent, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty-nine, in the Chapel of the Mediator, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 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 Elmer Nicholas Schmuck, 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 Wyoming.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Philadelphia and State of Pennsylvania on the day and in the year above written.

Charles P. Anderson, Bishop of Chicago and Presiding Bishop.

Thomas J. Garland, Bishop of Pennsylvania.

Hugh L. Burleson, Bishop of South Dakota.

Frederick F. Reese, Bishop of Georgia.

Nathaniel S. Thomas, Bishop.

Frank Arthur McElwain, Bishop of Minnesota.

Geo. W. Davenport, Bishop of Boston.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Registrar.

CCCLXV.—REV. CAMERON JOSIAH DAVIS, D.D.,

BISHOP COADJUTOR OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK.

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, David Lincoln Ferris, D.D., Bishop of Western New York, Ernest Milmore Stires, D.D., Bishop of Long Island, Hugh Latimer Burleson, D.D., Bishop of South Dakota, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Twenty-third Day of January, being the Thursday before the Third Sunday of Epiphany, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in Trinity Church, Buffalo, 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 Cameron Josiah Davis, 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 the Diocese of Western New York.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Buffalo, and State of New York, on the day and in the year above written.

David Lincoln Ferris, Bishop of Western New York.

Ernest Milmore Stires, Bishop of Long Island.

Hugh L. Burleson, Bishop of South Dakota.

Charles Fiske, Bishop of Central New York.

Walter Henry Overs.

John Chamberlain Ward, Bishop of Erie.

Alexander Mann, Bishop of Pittsburgh.

Derwyn, Niagara.

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, Hugh Latimer Burleson, D.D., Bishop of South Dakota, John McKim, D.D., Bishop of North Tokyo, and Henry Bond Restarick, D.D., Bishop, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Twenty-seventh Day of February, being the Thursday before Quinquagesima Sunday, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu, Hawaii, 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 Samuel Harrington Littell, S.T.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 Honolulu.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Honolulu, and Territory of Hawaii, on the day and in the year above written.

HUGH L. BURLESON, Bishop of South Dakota. (SEAL)
JOHN MCKIM, Bishop of North Tokyo. (SEAL)
HENRY BOND RESTARICK, Retired Bishop. (SEAL)
EDWARD L. PARSONS, Bishop of California. (SEAL)

Attest: WILLIAM AULT, Deputy Registrar. (SEAL)

CCCLX VII.—REV. HAYWARD SELLER ABLEWHITE,
Bishop of Marquette.
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, Hugh Latimer Burleson, D.D., Bishop of South Dakota, John Newton McCormick, D.D., Bishop of Western Michigan, and Herman Page, D.D., Bishop of Michigan, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Feast of the Annunciation, being Tuesday, the Twenty-fifth Day of March, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in St. Paul's Cathedral, Marquette, Michigan, 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 Hay­ward Seller Ablewhite, 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 Diocese of Marquette.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Marquette, and State of Michigan, on the day and in the year above written.

HUGH L. BURLESON, Bishop of South Dakota.
JNO. N. McCORMICK, Bishop of Western Michigan.
HERMAN PAGE, Bishop of Michigan.
WARREN LINCOLN ROGERS, Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio.
HARWOOD STURDEYANT, Bishop Coadjutor of Fond du Lac.

Attest: C. G. ZIEGLER, Deputy Registrar.

CCCLXVIII.—REV. HENRY WISE HOBSON,
BISHOP COADJUTOR OF THE DIOCESE OF SOUTHERN OHIO.
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, Boyd Vincent, D.D., Bishop, William Andrew Leonard, D.D., Bishop of Ohio, and Theodore Irving Reese, D.D., Bishop of Southern Ohio, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Thursday, the First Day of May, being the Festival of St. Philip and St. James, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in Christ Church, Cincinnati, Ohio, 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 Henry Wise Hobson, 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 the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Cincinnati, and State of Ohio, on the day and in the year above written.

Boyd Vincent, Bishop.
WILLIAM A. LEONARD, Bishop of Ohio.
THEODORE IRVING REESE, Bishop of Southern Ohio.
WILLIAM L. GRAVATT, Bishop of West Virginia.
J. W. Atwood, Bishop.
THOS. F. DAVIES, Bishop of Western Massachusetts.
PAUL JONES, Bishop.
HERMAN PAGE, Bishop of Michigan.
JOHN THOMSON DALLAS, Bishop of New Hampshire.

Attest: ALLAN W. COOKE, Deputy Registrar.
CCCLXIX.—REV. WILLIAM SCARLETT, LL.D.,
BISHOP COADJUTOR OF THE DIOCESE OF MISSOURI
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, Boyd Vincent, D.D., Bishop, Frederick Foote Johnson, D.D., Bishop of Missouri, and William Theodotus Capers, D.D., Bishop of West Texas, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Sixth Day of May, being the Tuesday following the Second Sunday after Easter, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in Christ Church Cathedral, St. Louis, Missouri, 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 Scarlett, LL.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 the Diocese of Missouri.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of St. Louis, and State of Missouri, on the day and in the year above written.

BOYD VINCENT, Bishop.
FREDERICK FOOTE JOHNSON, Bishop of Missouri.
WM. THEODOTUS CAPERS, Bishop of West Texas.
J. W. ATWOOD, Bishop.
PAUL JONES, Bishop.
HERMAN PAGE, Bishop of Michigan.
ERNST VINCENT SHAYLER, Bishop of Nebraska.
HERBERT H. H. FOX, Bishop Coadjutor of Montana.
E. CECIL SEAMAN, Bishop of North Texas.
WARREN LINCOLN ROGERS, Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio.
HENRY WISE HOBSON, Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio.

Attest: J. COURTNEY JONES, Deputy Registrar.

CCCLXX.—REV. ROBERT BURTON GOODEN, D.D.,
SUFFRAGAN BISHOP OF LOS ANGELES.
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, William Bertrand Stevens, D.D., Bishop of Los Angeles, Louis Childs Sanford, D.D., Bishop of San Joaquin, and William Hall Moreland, D.D., Bishop of Sacramento, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Twenty-seventh Day of May, being the Tuesday after Rogation Sunday, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in St. Paul’s Cathedral, Los Angeles, California, 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 Burton Gooden, 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 Diocese of Los Angeles.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Los Angeles, and State of California, on the day and in the year above written.

Wm. Bertrand Stevens, Bishop of Los Angeles.
Louis Childs Sanford, Bishop of San Joaquin.
William Hall Moreland, Bishop of Sacramento.
Edward L. Parsons, Bishop of California.
Arthur W. Moulton, Bishop of Utah.
Walter Mitchell, Bishop of Arizona.
Thomas Jenkins, Bishop of Nevada.

Attest: Ray O. Miller, Deputy Registrar.

CCCLXXI.—REV. GEORGE CRAIG STEWART, D.D.,
Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Chicago.

To all the Faithful in Christ Jesus throughout the World, Greeting:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, James DeWolf Perry, D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island and Presiding Bishop, Sheldon Munson Griswold, D.D., Bishop of Chicago, and Charles Edward Woodcock, D.D., Bishop of Kentucky, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Eighteenth Day of June, being the Wednesday following Trinity Sunday, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in St. Luke's Church, Evanston, Illinois, 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 George Craig Stewart, 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 the Diocese of Chicago.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Evanston, and State of Illinois, on the day and in the year above written.

James DeWolf Perry, Presiding Bishop.
Sheldon Munson Griswold, Bishop of Chicago.
Charles Edward Woodcock, Bishop of Kentucky.
Harry Tunis Moore, Bishop of Dallas.
William Thomas Manning, Bishop of New York.
Warren Lincoln Manning, Bishop Coadjutor of Ohio.
Thomas Casady, Bishop of Oklahoma.

Attest: Edwin J. Randall, Deputy Registrar.
CCCLXXII.—REV. HENRY KNOX SHERILL, D.D.,
BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF MASSACHUSETTS.
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, James DeWolf Perry, D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island and Presiding Bishop, William Lawrence, D.D., Bishop, and Alexander Mann, D.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Fourteenth Day of October, being the Tuesday following the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in Trinity Church, Boston, Massachusetts, 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 Henry Knox Sherrill, 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 Massachusetts.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Boston, and State of Massachusetts, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop. (SEAL)
WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Bishop. (SEAL)
ALEXANDER MANN, Bishop of Pittsburgh. (SEAL)
LOGAN HERBERT ROOTS, Bishop of Hankow. (SEAL)
NATHANIEL S. THOMAS, Bishop. (SEAL)
BENJAMIN BREWSTER, Bishop of Maine. (SEAL)
J. W. ATWOOD, Bishop. (SEAL)
THOS. F. DAVIES, Bishop of Western Massachusetts. (SEAL)
SAMUEL G. BABCOCK, Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts. (SEAL)
FRANK WM. STERRETT, Bishop of Bethlehem. (SEAL)
ERNEST MILMORE STIRES, Bishop of Long Island. (SEAL)
JOHN THOMSON DALLAS, Bishop of New Hampshire. (SEAL)
J. I. BLAIR LARRED, Suffragan Bishop of Long Island. (SEAL)
HENRY WISE HORSE, Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio. (SEAL)
Attest: ERNEST J. DENNEN, Deputy Registrar.

CCCLXXIII.—REV. FREDERICK DEANE GOODWIN, D.D.,
BISHOP COADJUTOR OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRGINIA.
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, Henry St. George Tucker, D.D., Bishop of Virginia, William Loyall Gravatt, D.D., Bishop of West Virginia, and Arthur Selden Lloyd, D.D., Suffragan
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Bishop of New York, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereunto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Sixteenth Day of October, being the Thursday before the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in North Farnham Parish Church, Farnham, Virginia, 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 Frederick Deane Goodwin, 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 the Diocese of Virginia.

Given under our hands and seals in the Village of Farnham, and State of Virginia, on the day and in the year above written.

H. ST. GEORGE TUCKER, Bishop of Virginia. (SEAL)
WILLIAM LOYALL GRAVATT, Bishop of West Virginia. (SEAL)
ARTHUR SEDEN LLOYD, Suffragan Bishop of New York. (SEAL)
JOS. BLUNT CHESHIRE, Bishop of North Carolina. (SEAL)
ARTHUR C. THOMSON, Bishop of Southern Virginia. (SEAL)
ROBERT C. JETT, Bishop of Southwestern Virginia. (SEAL)
GEO. W. DAVIDSON, Bishop of Easton. (SEAL)
FRANK W. STERRETT, Bishop of Bethlehem. (SEAL)
EDW. T. HELFENSTEIN, Bishop of Maryland. (SEAL)
Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

CCLXXIV.—REV. CHARLES KENDALL GILBERT, D.D.,
Suffragan Bishop of the Diocese of New York.

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, James DeWolf Perry, D.D., Presiding Bishop, and Bishop of Rhode Island, William Thomas Manning, D.D., Bishop of New York, and Arthur Selden Lloyd, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of New York, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereunto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Twenty-eighth Day of October, being the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, New York City, 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 Charles Kendall Gilbert, 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 Diocese of New York.
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.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop. (SEAL)
WILLIAM THOMAS MANNING, Bishop of New York. (SEAL)
ARTHUR SELDEN LLOYD, Suffragan Bishop of New York. (SEAL)
ALFRED W. KNIGHT, Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey. (SEAL)
J. W. ATWOOD, Bishop. (SEAL)
G. ASHTON OLDSHAM, Bishop of Albany. (SEAL)
JAMES E. FREEMAN, Bishop of Washington. (SEAL)
FRANK W. STERRETT, Bishop of Bethlehem. (SEAL)
EDWARD HUNTINGTON COLEY, Suffragan Bishop of Central N. Y. (SEAL)
ERNEST MILMORE STILES, Bishop of Long Island. (SEAL)
J. I. BLAIR LARNE, Suffragan Bishop of Long Island. (SEAL)

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

CCCLXXV.—REV. ROBERT NELSON SPENCER, Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of West Missouri.

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, William Theodotus Capers, D.D., Bishop of West Texas, Frederick Bingham Howden, D.D., Bishop of New Mexico, and James Wise, D.D., Bishop of Kansas, 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 October, being the Feast of SS. Simon and Jude, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in Grace and Holy Trinity Church, Kansas City, Missouri, 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 Nelson Spencer, 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 the Diocese of West Missouri.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Kansas, and State of Missouri, on the day and in the year above written.

W. THEODOCUS CAPERS, Bishop of West Texas. (SEAL)
FREDERICK B. HOWDEN, Bishop of N. Mexico and S. West Texas (SEAL)
JAMES WISE, Bishop of Kansas. (SEAL)
EDWARD FAWCETT, Bishop of Quincy. (SEAL)
FREDERICK F. JOHNSON, Bishop of Missouri. (SEAL)
HARRY S. LONGLEY, Bishop of Iowa. (SEAL)
HARRY TUNIS MOORE, Bishop of Dallas. (SEAL)
E. THOMAS DENTY, Suffragan Bishop of Arkansas. (SEAL)
PHILIP COOK, Bishop of Delaware. (SEAL)
ROBERT H. MIZE, Bishop of Salina. (SEAL)
JOHN CHANDLER WITTE, Bishop of Springfield. (SEAL)
E. CECEL SEAMAN, Bishop of North Texas. (SEAL)

Attest: C. HELY MOLONY, Deputy Registrar.
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CCCLXXVI.—REV. BENJAMIN TIBBITTS KEMERER,
BISHOP COADJUTOR OF THE DIOCESE OF DULUTH,
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, Frederick Bing­ham Howden, D.D., Bishop of New Mexico, and Southwest Texas, Frank Arthur McElwain, D.D., Bishop of Minnesota, and John Newton McCormick, D.D., Bishop of Western Michigan, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Fifth Day of November, being the Wednesday after the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty, in St. Paul's Church, Duluth, Minnesota, 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 Benjamin Tibbitts Kemerer, 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 the Diocese of Duluth.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Duluth, and State of Minnesota, on the day and in the year above written.

FREDERICK B. HOWDEN, Bishop of New Mexico and S.W. Texas (SEAL)
FRANK ARTHUR MCELWAIN, Bishop of Minnesota. (SEAL)
NO. N. MCCORMICK, Bishop of Western Michigan. (SEAL)
J. POYNTZ TYLER, Bishop of North Dakota. (SEAL)
G. G. BENNETT, Bishop of Duluth. (SEAL)
FRANK E. WILSON, Bishop of Eau Claire. (SEAL)
HARWOOD STURDEVANT, Bishop Coadjutor of Fond du Lac. (SEAL)
ELMER N. SCHMUCK, Bishop of Wyoming. (SEAL)

Attest: LESLIE W. HALLETT, Deputy Registrar.

CCCLXXVII.—REV. WYATT BROWN, D.D., LL.D.,
BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF HARRISBURG,
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, James DeWolf Perry, D.D., Presiding Bishop and Bishop of Rhode Island, Charles Fiske, D.D., Bishop of Central New York, and Philip Cook, D.D., Bishop of Delaware, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Friday, the First Day of May, being the Feast of SS. Philip and James, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, in St. Stephen's Church, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, 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 Wyatt Brown, D.D., Litt.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 Diocese of Harrisburg.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Harrisburg, and State of Pennsylvania, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop. (SEAL)
CHARLES FISKE, Bishop of Central New York. (SEAL)
PHILIP COOK, Bishop of Delaware. (SEAL)
ALEXANDER MANN, Bishop of Pittsburgh. (SEAL)
FRANK W.M. STERRETT, Bishop of Bethlehem. (SEAL)
EDW. T. HLELFENSTEIN, Bishop of Maryland. (SEAL)
H. P. ALMON ABBOTT, Bishop of Lexington. (SEAL)
FRANCIS M. TAIT, Bishop of Pennsylvania. (SEAL)
DAVID LINCOLN PEIRIS, Bishop of Western New York. (SEAL)
JOHN CHAMBERLAIN WARD, Bishop of Erie. (SEAL)

Attest: ARCHIBALD M. JUDD, Deputy Registrar.

CCCLXXVIII.—REV. STEPHEN EDWARDS KEELER, D.D.,
BISHOP COADJUTOR OF THE DIOCESE OF MINNESOTA.
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, James DeWolf Perry, D.D., Presiding Bishop and Bishop of Rhode Island, Frank Arthur McElwain, D.D., Bishop of Minnesota, and George Craig Stewart, D.D., Bishop of Chicago, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Wednesday, the Twenty-fourth Day of June, being St. John Baptist Day, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, in St. Chrysostom’s Church, Chicago, Illinois, 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 Stephen Edwards Keeler, 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 the Diocese of Minnesota.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Chicago, and State of Illinois, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop. (SEAL)
FRANK ARTHUR McELWAIN, Bishop of Minnesota. (SEAL)
GEO. CRAIG STEWART, Bishop of Chicago. (SEAL)
HUGH L. BURLESON, Bishop of South Dakota. (SEAL)
H. P. ALMON ABBOTT, Bishop of Lexington. (SEAL)
CAMPBELL GRAY, Bishop of Northern Indiana. (SEAL)
JOHN CHANDLER WHITE, Bishop of Springfield. (SEAL)
HENRY WISE HOBSON, Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Ohio. (SEAL)
WARREN LINCOLN ROGERS, Bishop of Ohio. (SEAL)

Attest: EDWIN J. RANDALL, Deputy Registrar.
APPENDIX VIII.

REPORT OF THE RECORDER

In my last report to the General Convention I called attention to the fact that while the Canon (51, Section IV, i, ii, iii and iv) provided for an officer, a clergyman, who should keep the record of Ordinations, no provision was made for the presentation of a report to the Convention, but custom and common sense have provided for such a contingency, and, so, following this custom I beg herewith to present this report to the Convention.

A question has arisen about the inclusion of the names of persons ordained to the sacred office of the Ministry in National Churches, not under the American flag, under governments separate and distinct from our own. That it is advisable to have these records was very evident, recently, for when the Rev. Norman Spencer Binsted was making ready for his consecration to the Bishopric of Tohoku, request was made of this office for the record of his ordinations; that of his ordination to the Diaconate was found, but there was no record of his having been priested, and his papers, credentials, had been destroyed in the great fire and earthquake in Japan; fortunately the Bishop ordaining him to that office was in the States, and he supplied the information, and you will find this record as No. 11182 in this report.

What would have happened if this Bishop had not been present, or had passed to his rest, we leave to the imagination of those who love to surmise. But this incident it appears is sufficient to justify the sending of reports of all ordinations to the Recorder.

In the past triennium 525 were ordained Deacon and 4 received from the Roman Catholic Church in the United States and its dependencies, and 31 ordained in Foreign lands not under our flag, as contrasted with 320 American and 37 Foreign in 1919-1921. Of this number 10 came to us from the Methodist Churches, 6 from the Baptist, 5 from the Congregationalists, 4 from the Roman Catholic, 3 from the Presbyterians, 2 each from the Disciples and Lutherans, and 1 each from the United Brethren, Reformed Episcopal, Universalist and Wesleyan.

Since last Convention this office rejoices in the possession of a complete set of Journals, since the office was inaugurated, and I am able to supply such information as most generally is desired.

All ordinations to the Diaconate are closed in this report with the last day of December preceding the holding of the General Convention, as, to repeat, "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 secretaries who have labored long and helpfully in enabling me to make this report as complete as it is,

I remain,

Your obedient servant,

W. S. SLACK,

Recorder of Ordinations to the General Convention.

Alexandria, La.
September 3rd, 1931.
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#### RECORD OF ORDINATIONS—1928—Continued

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Ashe-Everest, William, by Rt. Rev. J. D. Lamotte, August 3, 1928.
Barrett, Frederick W. M., by Rt. Rev. S. A. Husten, April 17, 1929.
Clarkson, Percy W., by Rt. Rev. W. B. Stevens, August 8, 1928.
Cleland, Earl (Cubbaton), by Rt. Rev. W. T. Manning, April 6, 1929.
Emshwiller, John, by Rt. Rev. Cameroon Mann, October 30, 1928.
Fuller, Donald Pinkerton, by Rt. Rev. F. E. Wilson, October 20, 1930.
Gaer, Ernest Icevra, by Rt. Rev. C. E. Colmore, June 1, 1928.
Harkness, Frederick George, by Rt. Rev. E. N. Schumach, October 8, 1930.
Johnson, Frank Mackie, Jr., by Rt. Rev. C. S. Quin, June 30, 1929.
Kasuki, Takashi (deacon), by Rt. Rev. S. H. Nichols, July 8, 1928.
Lawrence, Thomas Nevitt, by Rt. Rev. H. J. Mikell, January 5, 1931.
Manley, George Munro, by Rt. Rev. T. F. Gailor, March 29, 1929.
Salustiano, Cristino (deacon), by Rt. Rev. G. F. Mosher, March 26, 1931.
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Thomas, Duncan (deacon), by Rt. Rev. J. B. Cheshire, November 5, 1930.
Tulloch, Reginald Osborne, by Rt. Rev. Charles Flake, April 26, 1928.

SUSPENSIONS 1928-1931

Baker, Paul Hamilton, by Rt. Rev. E. V. Shayler (for two years), May 28, 1930.
Moore, Francis Van Rensselaer, by Rt. Rev. Davis Sessums (for one year), Nov. 29, 1929.
Nutting, Willis D., by the Bishop of Colorado.
Swan, David (deacon), by Rt. Rev. H. L. Burleson, June, 1929.

RESTORATIONS

Clifford, Thomas B., by Rt. Rev. Davis Sessums, May 16, 1929.
Moore, Francis Van Rensselaer, terminated, November 25, 1930.
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TREASURER'S REPORT

Of The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of The United States of America for the period—October 1, 1928 to September 22, 1931.

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

RECEIPTS

Assessments received from 72 dioceses (General Convention, 1928).......................... $27,130.00
Assessments received from 73 dioceses (General Convention, 1931) .............. 26,970.00

Total Assessments ........................................ $54,100.00

Interest, Endowment Fund Investments .................................. 5,076.47
Interest, Reserve Fund Investments ...................................... 2,269.05
Interest, Bank Balances ............................................. 312.89

Total Interest ................................................. 7,658.41

Sales, Journals, Canons and Constitutions ................................ 1,630.31
Securities sold ................................................................ 17,153.75

Cash Balance, October 1, 1928 ........................................... 204.52

TOTAL .......................................................... $80,746.99

DISBURSEMENTS

Salaries:
The Rev. C. L. Pardee ........................................... $2,100.00
The Rev. C. M. Davis ........................................... 3,300.00
The Rev. J. H. Fitzgerald ........................................ 300.00
The Rev. F. J. Clark ........................................... 300.00
The Rev. J. G. Glass ........................................... 300.00
The Rev. J. F. Plumb ........................................... 300.00
Miss H. J. Smith ................................................ 300.00
Mr. W. S. Slack ................................................. 350.00

Total Salaries .................................................. $7,250.00

The Church Pension Fund
The Rev. C. M. Davis ........................................... 247.50
The Rev. C. L. Pardee ........................................... 157.50

Total Pension Premiums .............................................. 405.00

Committee on Canons ............................................... 100.00
Committee on Ecclesiastical Court .................................... 321.60
Commission on Methodist and Presbyterians ........................... 300.00
Commission—Vocation and Education of Ministry ...................... 600.00
Committee on Memorials ............................................. 22.00

Total Commissions and Committees .................................... 1,343.60

Stationery, Stenography, Printing and Postage
The House of Bishops ............................................. 640.98
The House of Deputies ............................................ 1,378.01

TOTAL .......................................................... 2,018.99
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Traveling Expenses, Secretary House of Bishops .......................... 600.00
Certificate of Consecration .................................................. 134.75
Consecration of Bishops ..................................................... 353.15
Pastoral Letter ................................................................. 165.65
Miscellaneous Expenses ..................................................... 354.56
Cost of Printing, etc., General Convention Journal, 1928 .......................... 6,261.62

Total Disbursements ......................................................... 18,887.32
Securities purchased .......................................................... 20,100.00
Reserve Fund ................................................................. 12,966.00

Total Disbursements ......................................................... 51,953.32
Cash Balance, September 22, 1931 ........................................... 28,793.67

Total .................................................................................... 80,746.99

STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES—SEPTEMBER 22, 1931

RESOURCES

Cash in Brooklyn Trust Company ................................................. $28,793.67
Reserve and Endowment Funds (at cost).
Securities:
- $9,000.00 Colorado Fuel & Iron Co.
- General Mortgage 5%
- Sinking Fund Gold Bonds, 1943 ........................................... $8,787.50
- $6,000.00 Government of Argentine
- External Sinking Fund 6% Gold Bonds of 1923, Series A 1957 ........ 5,970.00
- $7,000.00 International Great Northern
- Railroad Co. 1st Mortgage 30 year 6% Gold Bonds, Series A 1952 .... 7,224.00
- $3,000.00 New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co. Convertible
- Gold Debentures 6% 1948 ................................................... 3,002.25
- $3,000.00 New York, Ontario & Western
- Railroad Co. Refunding Mortgage 4% Gold Bonds, 1992 .............. 2,454.55
- $1,000.00 New York Central Railroad
- Co. Convertible Gold Debenture 6% 1915-1935 .......................... 961.25

Total Bonds ................................................................. $28,399.55

Guaranteed First Mortgages on Real Estate
- @ 53/4% ................................................................. 20,100.00

Total Invested ............................................................... 48,499.55

LIABILITIES

Endowment Fund Investment ................................................... $35,533.55
Reserve Fund Investments .................................................... 12,966.00
Cash ........................................................................... 28,793.67 $77,293.22

We have made an examination of the securities, books of account and records of the Treasurer of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the period from October 1, 1928 to September 22, 1931, and find them to be correct and in accordance with the attached statements.

KELLY, BECKER & CO.,
By D. F. KELLY, Certified Public Accountant.
APPENDIX X.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON ADAPTING THE OFFICE OF DEACONESS TO PRESENT TASKS OF THE CHURCH

Your Commission respectfully reports that three meetings of the Commission have been held since the last General Convention, and much has been done also in the way of correspondence with interested persons and officers of the Woman's Auxiliary and other organizations of women in the Church. The resolutions of the Lambeth Conference held in 1930 define the Office and function of the Deaconess in language, which added to the clear definition of the 1920 resolutions, plainly indicates the mind of the Anglican Communion with regard to the ministry of women. The Order of Deaconesses is stated to be an Order of ministry by women primarily for women, but by no means limited to that particular phase of the Church's life, having apostolic origin and sanction and the experience of many centuries behind it. The functions of Deaconess were defined in Resolution 70 in the following language:

(a) to assist the minister in the preparation of candidates for Baptism and for Confirmation.
(b) to assist at the administration of Holy Baptism by virtue of her office.
(c) to baptize in church, and to officiate at the Churching of women.
(d) in Church to read Morning and Evening Prayer and the Litany, except such portions as are reserved to the Priest, and to lead in prayer; with the license of the Bishop, to instruct and preach, except in the service of Holy Communion.

All this is valuable as providing a background against which the practical problems connected with the Deaconess Order must be considered. These problems are three in number:

(1) The matter of support and particularly of pensions. Our Deaconesses are widely scattered, many of them in the Mission Field and almost invariably working under conditions that render it impossible for them to make any provision against sickness or retirement. They receive small salaries, and as their work is among the needy to a large extent, they are called upon to make many sacrifices, both material and spiritual. As a matter of simple justice the Church is bound to see that these women who have been set apart to its ministry and have deliberately given up all opportunities for financial gain should be cared for in sickness and old age. The Deaconesses themselves, through their Retiring Fund, are making a very determined effort toward this end. Your Commission is warmly sympathetic with that effort but is convinced that it never can be adequate nor satisfactory and that the only course to follow is for the Church to include the Deaconess in some way in its Pension system.

(2) The question of recruiting for the Office of Deaconess. Within the past decade there has been a very rapid increase in the fields of Church work both at home and in the Mission Field. These include Executive and Field secretaries in such organizations as the Woman's
Auxiliary, the Girls' Friendly Society, and the Church Mission of Help; positions for trained case workers in connection with Church institutions, positions for teachers, nurses, doctors, and occasionally for business and secretarial duties, and in rapidly increasing proportion calls for Directors of Religious Education. In April, 1930, there were 102 women employed in this capacity, who were registered at the Department of Religious Education, of whom it is noteworthy that all but 16 had had Normal School training or special preparation in the Church Training Schools. It is evident that vocations for women within the Church are rapidly increasing in number and in attractiveness to educated women. There are a great many tasks to which the Church calls her consecrated Womanhood. The question now confronting our Commission is as to the relation of the Order of Deaconesses to all these tasks and opportunities. Of the 102 women engaged professionally in the work of Religious Education only five are deaconesses. These workers have themselves expressed an interest in the Order but have felt it desirable to organize a separate fellowship which has no relation to the Church's commissioned ministry of women. At a meeting of the Directors of Religious Education held in St. Louis May 7, 1930, a committee was appointed to cooperate with a sub-committee of our Communion.

We ought to press for the inclusion of a study of women's work by the women in the discussion groups and classes of the Church; we should continue friendly contact with the professional workers of various groups and classes within the Church; we should try to remove misapprehension and misunderstanding often based on superficial knowledge concerning the office and position of the Deaconess.

No unprejudiced observer of the work of our deaconesses can doubt that the Order is a very valuable instrument in the Church's service. The efforts that have been made by this Commission to raise the standard of preparation and to dignify the Office are, we believe, along right lines. It is most important that the idea of vocation be kept clearly in view. It is not necessary that every woman engaged in Church work should be a deaconess but it is important that those whom God would call to that high ministry should be able to understand and heed the call. Your Commission thinks it very desirable that the Church should define its future policy in this matter and that whatever is done in the way of education of the women of the Church should include a clear and distinctive conception of the Office both as regards its primitive origin and as marking it off from the vocation of a Sisterhood on the one hand and from the position of the lay-woman engaged professionally in the Church's work on the other. With clearer understanding on the part of the Church it would seem that there might be still greater development of this Order both in numbers and efficiency.

(3) *The question of the service by which a Deaconess is to be set apart.* It has been definitely agreed by the Bishops at Lambeth that this should include the laying on of hands with prayer for the gift of the Holy Spirit, a definite commission for the Church's work and also the delivery of the New Testament. There is a strong feeling on the part of many well informed persons in the Anglican Communion against the equation of the Office of Deaconess with the Office of Deacon. With this your Commission is in agreement. The Deaconess preparing, in most cases, for the priesthood and has opportunity to exercise his office for a comparatively short time. The Deaconess, on
the other hand, has a lifelong vocation. She can find within the Office an unlimited opportunity for service, and your Commission would again emphasize the fact that no ministry to the needs of humanity can be complete that does not call for both men and women, each exercising special gifts, faculties and powers with which God has endowed them. They are not alike and never can be alike. One is not superior to the other but their functions differ. It is the conviction of your Commission that the Office for the setting apart of a deaconess should occupy the same position in the Ordinal as the Office for the ordination of a Deacon. In no other way can the principle be maintained that the Church has a ministry of women apostolic in its authority and supported by the deliberate intention of the whole Church acting through the Bishop as its instrument.

Your Commission notes with interest and encouragement that the Convention of the Diocese of Chicago held February 3, 1931, passed a resolution which is to be laid before General Convention, respectfully petitioning for action both in defining the status of deaconesses in accordance with the declarations of the Lambeth Conference and in the inauguration of an adequate pension system for members of the Order. This is a hopeful sign of intelligent and practical interest which your Commission heartily welcomes. The Commission submits the three appended resolutions:

1. **Resolved:** The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby affirms its acceptance of the Declaration of the Lambeth Conference of 1930—Resolution 67—"The Office of Deaconess is for women the one and only Order of the Ministry which we can recommend our Branch of the Catholic Church to recognize and use."

2. **Resolved:** The House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention hereby requests the Church Pension Fund, to take all legal and financial steps necessary to secure pensions for the Deaconesses of the Church.

3. **Resolved:** The House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission be continued and that its title be changed to the Commission on the Work of Deaconesses.

**Philip M. Rhinelander, Chairman.**

**APPENDIX XI.**

**REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE**

In view of the steadily increasing divorce evil in the United States the Convention at New Orleans in 1925 appointed a Commission to study the whole problem of divorce, its conditions and causes. A report presented to the Washington Convention in 1928 aimed to set forth the general situation in regard to divorce, together with various causes and proposed remedies. It did not offer any solution except such as might be found along the lines of character training. The report was accepted by the Convention and the following resolution adopted:
“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.”

A careful study has been made of the ecclesiastical and Canon law of the Church, especially in relation to marriage, divorce and the annulment of marriage. In order to undertake this specific task it was necessary to undertake a study of the ancient Canon law as a whole. In accordance with the obvious expectation of the Convention your Commission has embodied its findings in the form of a proposed amendment to our Canon on the subject of Holy Matrimony.

Several new members have been added to the Commission especially with the view of making it representative of various schools of thought in the Church. Many meetings have been held at which most of the members have been present. The meetings have been held in New York and the regular attendance of those who live farthest away has been peculiarly significant. While there was a marked difference of opinion on certain phases of the subject nevertheless there has been an obvious desire on the part of all to attain results that should be of the greatest value to the Church and to society. All the members of the Commission approved of the first six sections of the proposed Canon. The difference of opinion came in connection with Section VII. This section received the approval of eleven members of the Commission: The Rt. Rev. Herman Page, chairman; Rev. Percy G. Kammerer, Ph.D., secretary; Rt. Rev. William J. Scarlett, LL.D., the Rev. Frank H. Nelson, D.D., Very Rev. Frederick C. Grant, D.D., Rt. Rev. Cameron J. Davis, D.D., Professor Joseph H. Beale, Mr. George W. Wickersham, Mr. John M. Glenn, Mr. Roland S. Morris, Mr. Origen S. Seymour.


We would first consider Section III dealing with the annulment of marriage. Throughout the Church there has always been a general recognition of the fact that certain marriages are not lawful. Indeed, this principle is definitely enunciated in the Marriage Service, which declares that any marriage contrary to God's word is not lawful; and our present Canon implies the existence of causes for divorce existing before marriage. Therefore your Commission has drawn up a definite list of Impediments to a valid marriage on the basis of which the ecclesiastical authority may declare a marriage null. These impediments have long been recognized by the Canon law of the Church and are recognized by the law of nearly all of our States. While there are doubtless some who approach this whole matter of annulment with more or less apprehension, nevertheless we believe, for several reasons, that it is highly important that this Church should adopt some such statement in regard to the impediments to marriage.

*Note 2.
First, such a statement seems fair to all concerned. While there is a general recognition of the fact that a marriage may be unlawful, and therefore annulled, the whole subject of nullity has received so little attention in this Church that it is little understood by either Bishops, clergymen or laymen. While certain Bishops have taken the responsibility of deciding as to the annulment of marriages, it may safely be said that most Bishops have entirely ignored the subject and confined their judgments to divorces granted for adultery.

There is another reason, however, which makes the definition of nullity of far greater importance, namely the fact that our present Canon may reasonably be construed as leaving the whole matter of judgment in regard to the annulment of marriages in the hands of the individual clergyman. The first part of Canon 43, Section III, now reads as follows:

“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. Nor 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.”

While in accordance with the Canon law of the Anglican Church and the tradition of this Church such marital problems have usually been referred to the Bishop, nevertheless your Commission would emphatically remind the Convention that in accordance with our present Canon law no right of judgment is explicitly given to the Bishop except in cases where the divorce has been granted for adultery. In view of the fact that many members of this Church claim that the ancient Canon law of the Anglican Church has not been binding upon this Church since the American Revolution and that the only binding law is that set forth in our own Canons, it is clear that any clergyman may with reason constitute himself a judge as to grounds on which a marriage may be annulled. A generation ago it was almost universally assumed that practically all grounds on which divorce was granted were grounds arising after marriage, but the amazing increase of knowledge in psychology and psychiatry has made it reasonably clear that many of the causes for divorce are character causes, which existed long before marriage took place. Many a fine girl has married some attractive youth addicted to drink, believing that she could reform him, but her efforts were doomed to failure. It is generally understood that a large percentage of sexual maladjustments, which are such a prolific cause of marital unhappiness, are due to early childhood training or lack of training. Any clergyman who declared null and void marriages of this sort would doubtless gain the support of psychiatrists and social workers.

There are also questions as to mixed marriages which the Church of Rome recognizes as a ground for annulment, as it does the marriage of the unbaptized. A clergyman who declared such marriages null and void would have behind him the tradition of long Catholic practice, and in our Church there are clergymen who feel that this Church should marry only those who have been baptized.

While the Church must repose great confidence in its clergymen, nevertheless it must be admitted that many of them are not judicially

*Note 1.
minded and that their experience has been limited. Therefore, under the circumstances, it seems desirable that we should clearly define the grounds on which a marriage may be declared null and void.

The members of your Commission are unanimously agreed in regard to this Section on nullity, and in the criticisms received there has been a general approval of our effort to define the impediments of marriage. Because of considerable criticism this Section has been changed from the form in which it was first presented. In view of the fact that it has received most careful consideration from highly competent men we have reason to feel that its phraseology is reasonably good. We make no claim for its perfection but we hope that the great need of some definition of annulment will not be lost sight of in a prolonged effort to improve phraseology. It is well to remember that there will be other Conventions at which we might be better able to improve the Canon on the basis of experience.

This naturally leads us to the necessity of instituting some tribunal which shall pass upon marital cases. By tradition this power has been left in the hands of Bishops, but our Canon definitely gives him authority only in the case of divorces for adultery. We do not believe that it is the will of this Church that judgment in these cases be left to the individual clergyman. While there has been difference of opinion in your Commission as to whether it would be better to establish a court or leave judgment in the hands of the Bishop, we consider the objections to making the Bishop the judge are somewhat the same as the objections to the clergyman. To be sure he has a larger administrative experience, but on the other hand he is often unfitted temperamentally to pass judgment, he has not the time to give to it, and moreover, as a Father in God he is often torn between the desire to be a righteous judge and a kind friend. After careful consideration based on many suggestions received in response to our first statement, your Commission decided that it would be safest to establish some court that should deal with all marital cases.

Objections have been raised against establishing courts. One is that they will be more or less cold-blooded and mechanical, but this objection seems contrary to a result that might be anticipated. In the State Courts there has been a distinct tendency to establish special courts to deal with domestic relations, and for the reason that Judges who deal especially with these cases become more understanding and more sympathetic. Another objection is the difficulty in many Dioceses and Districts of finding the right sort of men to undertake this work; but we believe that a little consideration will make it clear that it would be next to impossible to name a Diocese or District in this Church in which it would be difficult to find Churchmen whose judicial ability is not as marked as that of the Judges now sitting in divorce cases for the State and whose making decisions which this Church must recognize ecclesiastically. There are also those who feel that if judgment is left to the different courts in different Dioceses we shall thereby establish ecclesiastical Reno's. Of course this is possible, but such a view indicates a serious lack of faith in the mental and moral integrity of the leaders of this Church. Jesus certainly showed His faith in God by reposing much confidence in humble disciples. This Church might wisely follow His example.

Your Commission is unanimous that our Canon should definitely constitute some tribunal for judging marital cases, either the Bishop with the help of a legal advisor, or a duly constituted court. A large
majority of the Commission, however, are decidedly in favor of a court.

We now come to the most debatable Section of the Canon, that dealing with the remarriage of divorced persons. It may be well to remind the Convention that your Commission was appointed primarily to consider the problem of divorce, naturally having in view action that might minimize divorce and make every marriage what Christ declared it should be—a lifelong union of husband and wife. One obvious way of meeting this situation is for the Church to take the stand that it will remarry no divorced persons, not even those divorced for adultery. This is the view of the Roman Church and the whole Anglican Church except our own, which now makes an exception in the case of adultery. This certainly would be a simple solution of the problem if it would work, but there is no clear evidence that it does work. Many who call themselves Roman Catholics appear in the Divorce Courts. In England, where the State Church holds this strict view, divorce is rapidly on the increase. In Canada the Anglican Church holds this position, but divorce is increasing at a rate that has led the English Church in Canada to appoint a Commission to deal with the whole subject of marriage and divorce. Indeed, the situation in Canada is much worse than it seems because so many Canadians cross the border and get their divorces in the United States. There are various other countries where the Church allows no remarriage, but in them concubinage and illicit marital relations are all too common.

Your Commission is agreed that in some way the Church must take a more sympathetic attitude toward divorced people. The majority offers an amendment to the Canon which would allow the remarriage of divorced people but under very definite conditions, namely, that a divorced person must wait a year before remarriage, and then receive the permission of a court. It is presumable that persons ready to meet these conditions earnestly desire the spiritual help that the Church has to give. Your Commission also presents a minority report; but this minority, while unwilling to allow the remarriage of the divorced, does feel that in view of the changed and changing conditions in the modern world, the Church must do more for divorced persons who want the help that the Church has to give. Therefore, they make the proposal that if the court permits and the parties have already been married by some civil officer, a clergyman of this Church may read a Service of Blessing.

Many feel that either to marry those who have been divorced or to hold a Service of Blessing for them is contrary to the plain teaching of Christ. They point to the fact that in the Gospels we find the definite statement of Christ that a divorced person who is remarried is guilty of adultery, and they vehemently and honestly declare that if we either marry or bless the marriage of divorced persons we put the Church in the position of condoning adultery.

On the other hand, many people believe that Christ allowed divorce, at least for fornication. They point out that in the Gospel of St. Matthew, He makes an exception for this cause; although the best scholarship holds that this exception represents an early interpolation in the text. Nevertheless, we must bear in mind the fact that the Gospel of St. Matthew with this interpolation was generally accepted throughout the Church by the end of the second century, and
it is difficult to believe that this passage would have been so recognized unless the Church felt that it represented the mind of Christ.

However, the real problem in connection with the teaching of our Lord in regard to divorce and remarriage lies in the fact that it is found, along with other equally specific commands that few people accept literally, such as the command not to take oaths, to turn the other cheek if one is struck, to give to everyone that asks of you, and to take no thought of the morrow. All the best scholars and thinkers agree that Christ did not give his followers a set of precepts, but that he stated principles of action which his disciples should formulate into precepts for their own times. Such is the position held not only by leading scholars of our own Church but also by such scholars in the English Church as Bishop Gore and Canon Streeter. Even some of these scholars think that in the matter of marriage Christ did lay down a definite law. For instance, Bishop Gore, in the "Philosophy of a Good Life," page 176, writes as follows:

"In one important matter, the matter of marriage, He appears to have laid down an explicit law, as St. Paul, St. Mark, and St. Luke report; but in the ordinary sense He was not a legislator. * * * He proposed, it appeared, to inspire His Church (in a most realistic sense) with His Spirit; and to leave it to the Church to deal with issues as they should arise with the assistance of this divine Paraclete, the agent or representative of God."

In Bishop Gore's mind clearly Christ did lay down an explicit law in regard to marriage.

No scholar in England stands higher than Canon Streeter. In his "Moral Adventure," page 88, he says in regard to marriage:

"The idea that a definite ruling on this question is to be found in the words of Christ rests, I believe, on a misapprehension of His method and His meaning. In regard to no other question does He make rules; He states ideals—usually in the form of paradox or parable which could not conceivably be treated as legislative enactments. Most emphatically Christ taught that monogamy is the ideal, and that a divorce is a moral calamity."

Obviously the position that Christ's teaching in regard to marriage is absolutely plain is open to grave doubt. This doubt is increased when we consider what is perhaps His most fundamental moral teaching, namely that of forgiveness. His primary interest does not appear to be in what we might call the Church people of His day, but rather in those who were on the edges of the Church and of good society. He was accused of consorting with publicans and sinners. His forgiving attitude toward those who were guilty of adultery receives peculiar emphasis in the Gospels.

Therefore an increasing number of Christian people think it inconsistent with the mind of Christ that the Church should extend no real forgiveness to divorced people who are remarried, but declare that they live in a state of adultery. It is impossible legally, and undesirable morally, that the second marriage should be broken up. These same people also believe that it is not in accordance with the mind of Christ that the Church should marry men and women who have lived in illicit sexual relationships, which they have broken off, but extend no real forgiveness to men and women who were too high-minded to enter into such relations and who have been honorably married but whose marriages have unfortunately ended in the divorce court. With St. Paul they are impressed with the tremendous evil of fornication.
and think that there is grave spiritual danger in always expecting men and women who have been married and divorced to live thereafter in a state of celibacy. Therefore your Commission believes that it would be more Christian in certain cases for the Church to marry or to give its blessing to the remarriage of such persons instead of exacting a form of repentance that is impossible. The ancient doctrine of the Atonement asserts that it is impossible for any of us to expiate for our past sins, and that all we can hope for is to take a fresh start and trust that by the grace of God we may do better in the future.

But, assuming that there is doubt, as there obviously is, in regard to the teaching of Christ in regard to divorce, who is to make decisions? Obviously these must be made by the Church itself. As Bishop Gore has indicated in the passage just quoted, Christ gave his disciples principles and left it to them and to their followers to work out these principles under the direction of His Holy Spirit. He has given no recorded directions in regard to the Ministry of his Church. He has given none in regard to public worship, or the Sacraments, except Baptism, and the Lord's Supper. The Church in each generation has the privilege, the duty and the responsibility of applying his teachings to the needs of its own day. Such an obligation falls upon us. Our chief problem is to make sure that we are indeed faithful to his teachings.

The practice of the Christian Church in regard to marriage has by no means followed what many call the plain teaching of our Lord. If He condemned the remarriage of divorced persons it is equally true that in saying 'Those whom God hath joined together, let no man put asunder' He condemned the separation of all those who have been married. This injunction seems not only as imperative as the utterance against the marriage of those who have been divorced but in some ways it would appear more fundamental; and in discussion it is constantly made the basis for an argument against divorce. Nevertheless from the beginning the Church in all its branches has recognized the need of separation from bed and board. The principle of annulment has been generally accepted and in many cases it seems to be the equivalent of divorce. Since the Reformation there has been a limited recognition of divorce by many of the Protestant Communions, and divorce with the privilege of a second or third remarriage has been and is permitted by the Eastern Orthodox Church.\* Of course separation from bed and board does not carry the right of remarriage, but annulment does; and the Roman Church has extended the use of annulment in ways that do not seem desirable to most members of our own Church, as in the case of mixed marriages and the marriages of the unbaptized. We believe that most members of our own Church would prefer to have a separation in the form of a divorce rather than an annulment, feeling that in certain cases it does not make so much difference whether there is a divorce or an annulment, which may be a different name for the same thing. It has already been pointed out that it would be easily possible to extend the principle of annulment to cover all sorts of mental and moral deficiencies that existed in people before marriage. Therefore we believe it would be wiser to limit definitely the use of annulment, and increase the grounds for divorce. In so doing our Church would follow the example of the great and ancient Eastern Orthodox Church which

\*See Note 3.
allows a second and sometimes a third remarriage of persons divorced for a number of reasons besides adultery.

Therefore, a majority of your Commission believe they are acting according to the mind of Christ and the practice of the Catholic Church when they suggest that this Church under limited conditions allows the remarriage of divorced persons.

The minority of your Commission, however, is opposed to allowing the Church to remarry those who have been divorced. They are willing, however, that a Minister of this Church if permission is duly given, should be allowed to use a Service of Blessing. This leads us to consider two important questions—viz., what do we mean by *Marriage*? and what do we mean by *Blessing*? From many communications that have come to us it is obvious that there is much confusion of thought in regard to both of these matters. We cannot do better than quote a statement in regard to the nature of marriage prepared by Professor Beale:

"Marriage is the legalization by the State of a union between a man and a woman. The State often permits or requires a minister of the Church to be the instrument of the law in creating such a marriage; but only through such action of the State can the act of any minister of the Church make the union marriage. Thus

1. If the minister, acting under the law of his Church, unites a man and woman, they are not married if the union is not legalized by the State.

2. If the minister unites a man and woman contrary to the law of the Church, it is nevertheless a valid marriage if the law of the State so declares.

So it is with divorce. If a man and woman once married are legally divorced, no law of the Church can make them man and wife: thus

1. If they live together without remarriage they are guilty of adultery, the law of the Church to the contrary notwithstanding.

2. If either legally marries again; the law of the Church cannot prevent the second marriage being a legal one.

"Certain ancient texts have been cited to prove that the law of the Church governs. This was true so long as the Pope maintained his power. It has not been true, in countries governed by the Common law, since the separation of the Church of England from Rome.

"It has been suggested that the parties to a marriage are married from the moment they agree to take each other until death them do part. This might have been plausibly argued 100 years ago, but today most canonists, I think, would agree with municipal lawyers that the act of the magistrate (whether clerical or lay) pronouncing the parties man and wife creates the marriage, if it is a legal union; and that nothing in the ceremony can create a marriage if it is not legal."

Obviously from a social and legal standpoint some kind of ceremony is necessary to a valid marriage. We are all familiar with two kinds of ceremony, a civil ceremony performed by some officer of the State which is required in certain European countries and is common in this Country, and an ecclesiastical ceremony. In this country the two are generally combined and when a clergyman of this Church officiates at a marriage he represents the State as well as the Church. The Church has its laws and the State has its laws, and there is a constant confusion of duties and responsibilities. For this reason
there has developed within the Church a strong desire to separate these two ceremonies and require that all persons be married by some officer of the State and then if they so desire go to the Church to have the marriage solemnized. Under this plan the Church would be free to work out its own principles and enunciate its own laws in regard to marriage in such a way as to avoid the present confusion. Your Commission was definitely instructed to consider this problem and a minority at one time made a definite recommendation in favor of this plan. Indeed the minority report to the Convention is based on this point of view. However, your Commission does not see its way to recommend a separation between the civil and the religious ceremonies. There are certain marked advantages in allowing clergymen to act as officers of the State in the matter of marriage. It means that thousands of people turn to the Church for marriage who otherwise would go to civil officers and the Church would lose a great spiritual opportunity. When people are seeking marriage they are normally in an idealistic frame of mind and peculiarly receptive to spiritual influence. Practically every clergymen has had the experience of leading people through marriage to Baptism and membership in the Church. In a little book entitled, "The Marriage Service and After," the Rev. H. C. Park of the Church of All Angels, Pasadena, tells us that many people who have come to him for marriage have been led to Baptism and Confirmation. As one of the chief aims of the Church is to spread the borders of the Kingdom of Christ, it seems highly undesirable deliberately to throw overboard one of our greatest opportunities for impressing people with the value of religion.

This brings us to the question as to what is meant by "blessing the parties to a marriage." There seems to be a wide spread idea that for a minister of the Church to give such a blessing means to give the approval of the Church, but in fact the word "blessing" ordinarily means a prayer that the person who is blessed may receive the grace and help of God. The Church holds Services,—yes, Communion Services—in Detention Homes and in prisons, but the Priest has no thought that in pronouncing the benediction he is approving of prostitution, of stealing or of murder. Most Bishops would be sorry to think that in blessing those whom they confirm they were setting their stamp of approval upon each one of them, and most clergymen would shudder at the idea that in pronouncing the benediction they were putting the stamp of approval on the lives of all communicants. Indeed, nothing is further from our thoughts. No matter how sinful those in front of us are, in blessing them we express the hope that by the help of God they may be enabled to live better lives.

It is with this idea in mind that those who present the Minority Report suggest that clergymen of this Church be allowed to hold a Service of blessing for those who have already been married by a civil officer. They do it with the thought not of indorsing the marriage but in the hope of sanctifying it and of helping to a larger degree of success those who have failed in their previous marital relations.

There are many in the Church who are distressed about the action of your Commission in regard to divorce because they fear that it will break down the Christian standard of marriage. No one recognizes more clearly than your Commission that there is always this danger, but our position is well expressed by Canon Streeter ("Moral Adventure"—page 90):

"The state of things at the present moment is such that much adventurous thinking, and probably some practical experiment will be
needed before the right remedy is discovered. But we have always to remember that no such experiment will be in its total effect moral, unless it can somehow find a way to meet cases of exceptional hardship without any weakening of the hold on the popular mind of the principle that marriage is essentially and ideally a life-long union. If exceptions to this principle are too lightly admitted, it will be hard for the average man and woman to retain that sense of security and sanctity in marriage which is a condition of their deriving from it the maximum of moral and spiritual benefit."

We appreciate the value of the uncompromising stand in regard to marriage taken by the Roman Church and the Anglican Church. Nevertheless we hold with Canon Streeter that there must be something in the way of adventure, and this not to lower standards to the level of those of modern society, but with the expectation of raising to the standard of Christ many people who without the help of the Church would continue to fall far short of it. We must remember that many of our best thinkers do not consider divorce as an unmitigated evil. In the past the whole emphasis has been laid on the promise of man and wife to live together "for better or for worse until death us do part," but in the later days emphasis has been increasingly laid on the promises in the marriage vow "to love, comfort, honor and cherish," and the feeling has gained ground that the breaking of these promises seriously invalidates the rest of the vow. Fornication, adultery, cruelty, drunkenness, desertion, and many other sins have been endured by both husband and wife, and there is surely something to be said for the point of view that requires those who are married to observe the ordinary laws of righteousness and decency if they expect their married life to continue. Your Commission believes that the only real way in which we can sanctify the institution of marriage is to sanctify it in practice, and that while the Church must exercise great caution in doing anything that seems to condone divorce, nevertheless the solution of the problem lies in the development of true Christian homes, homes that are permeated with the Spirit of Christ.

It has frequently been said that if the proposed Amendment were to pass that we ought to change the vows in the Marriage Service, because it would be absurd to repeat the pledges in the present form "as long as we both shall live" and "until death us do part." This criticism loses much of its force, however, when we recall the promise made in Baptism and renewed in Confirmation in answer to the question "Wilt thou obediently keep God's holy will and commandments and walk in the same all the days of thy life?" There is no qualifying phrase here to weaken the solemnity of the undertaking. The Sentence of Baptism itself also assumes that he who is baptized will continue God's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end. Indeed all the highest obligations are lifelong. God and Christ expect us to strive always for the highest, and we never put any goal except the highest before those who enter Christ's service. There is no reason why the Church should take any different attitude in regard to the promises required of those who are to be married. Christ's standard of marriage is that it is a lifelong union, and for this standard all should strive; but we may seriously question whether those who have failed in marriage, possibly through no fault of theirs, should be so much more heavily penalized than those who fail to attain the standards of Christ in other things.

We now come to what we consider the only real solution of the problem of divorce, viz., the right sort of education for marriage.
There are doubtless many people who would like to see this Convention adopt some Canon or formula which would solve all the problems of marriage, but this may not be. A competent writer on the subject of the family has recently said that if the energy now directed toward getting reforms in divorce laws were directed for a time toward making marriage more carefully considered and intelligently entered upon, the results would be surprising. He also says that nothing could be more illogical than the present policy of society (1) of letting people marry in ignorance; (2) letting them divorce because of this ignorance; and (3) letting them, still ignorant, make new matings, many of which will be broken up in the same way and for the same reason.

There is nothing in life more important than the institution of marriage. It is as vital as life itself, and is the concern of every human being. Yet there is nothing for which people receive less preparation and training. Until within a few years the whole subject has been taboo, and the knowledge of most men has been gained in such a way as to give it a more or less filthy tone. On the other hand, many of our women have been trained to look on sex as something necessary but nasty, with the terrible results seen in those sexual maladjustments which the best thinkers consider a primary cause of marital unhappiness and divorce. The results are also seen in all sorts of psychoneuroses, sexual perversions and insanities. Training must be given in the dignity, the beauty and the glory of sex, which is the source of life itself and closely identified with spiritual love and many of the noblest achievements of the human race.

A second most crying need is to break down the prevailing romantic idea of marriage, namely that marriages are made in heaven, and that one has only to find his true mate to enjoy everlasting happiness. Psychiatrists more and more are emphasizing the fact that this vicious delusion is more responsible than any other for hasty, ill-considered and unfortunate marriages, and it has been given the name of romantic infantilism. Nothing is more needed than the realization that the best married love is an achievement, something that indeed may start in love at first sight or in mutual attraction, but which must be nursed and developed as a beautiful but tender plant.

It is also obvious that righteousness must be basic in marriage as in every other human relationship. Husbands and wives must be honest with each other, they must be fair and just in accepting the responsibilities and duties of married life. It is unthinkable that marriage can be successful unless husbands and wives are pure, sober, and exercise control of temper and of tongue. Nor can any two human beings live together happily unless their conduct is marked by the spirit of kindness and consideration. Probably no human relationship is more difficult of successful achievement than that of marriage, where two personalities, different in training, outlook and sex, are brought together in the most intimate relationship of life. Unless both husband and wife have respect for the personality of each other and desire that personality to be fully realized, unless they are charitable with each other and are prepared really to overlook many faults and transgressions, it is unthinkable that their marriage should increasingly attain their early dreams of love.

Moreover, we need an increasing realization of the necessity of children in the home. The obvious end of sex is the procreation of children, and unless children are born the normal purposes of mar-
riage are not fulfilled. It is a serious and dangerous thing to thwart them. Moreover to attain a successful marriage both husband and wife need some great common purpose outside of their own lives. There is no bond of unity so compelling, so rich and so joy-giving as that of children.

The outstanding need in married life, however, is the realization that marriage like every great human relationship must be based on the spirit of self-sacrifice rather than that of self-satisfaction. In all achievement we must pay the price of struggle, disappointment and sorrow. To achieve Christian marriage as to achieve anything worthwhile in life men and women must be prepared to make great and joyful sacrifices.

Education for marriage must begin at birth. In the earliest years of babyhood such emotional qualities as love, fear and hate are largely determined. The same is true of the control of temper, tongue and will. Then, too, the ideals of life are formed,—ideals of manhood and womanhood, of the purpose of life, of home life, of country and of God. Next come the turbulent years of adolescence when manhood and womanhood are beginning to dawn, years that must be treated firmly, lovingly and hopefully. Then comes marriage; and no one can estimate the help that a wise, sympathetic spiritual advisor could give to young men and women in the first two or three years of married life when they are overwhelmed and confused by new and strange experiences. Then follow the later years of strain, sometimes spoken of as the forties, and many Churches and social workers rightly feel that if people could then turn to someone skilled in the cure of souls, their married life would not only be saved but enriched through the facing and surmounting of difficulties that seem to make its continuance impossible.

Those of us who are within the Church believe that one of its outstanding functions and responsibilities is to take a place of leadership in character training; and this responsibility is generally recognized by modern society. Not only should the Church have first place in character training but we are convinced that it has certain contributions that cannot be found elsewhere. The primary gift of the Christian religion is its philosophy of life. It sets up a standard and a pattern to which it believes all life must conform, viz., the will of an all-powerful God, in obedience to whose laws the fulfillment of life can alone be found. We believe that God has revealed himself in our Lord, Jesus Christ, as a God of infinite love, and that also through Jesus has claimed the whole world and all human lives for himself. The head of one of our great schools in a recent book has said that there are just two ways of looking on a boy,—one is that he is a necessary evil, and the other is that he is the child of God. It is this conception of man as the child of God that is basic in any happy marriage. It emphasizes the fact that the Spirit of God dwells in every human being and that therefore both body and soul are holy. It sanctifies and glorifies the sexual life and the sexual relationship, and within the bonds of marriage makes it a sacramental thing,—one of the primary purposes and glories of life itself.

Christianity also stands for duty,—duty to God and one's neighbor. This means an obligation to do what is right no matter how it hurts or what it costs. Also, at the center of Christ's teaching is the duty of kindness, sympathy and forgiveness; and the climax and glory of all is the teaching in regard to sacrifice as a fundamental quality in
the life of man because it is the outstanding characteristic of God himself.

Finally, the Gospel emphasizes the importance of happiness, but not as an end in itself but rather as a by-product, the result achieved by those who fulfill their obligations to God and to their neighbors. Nothing can be more important today than the strongest emphasis on this truth. There are multitudes of people seeking happiness as an end in itself. This is one of the reasons why so many marriages fail. If husbands and wives sought the will of God in accordance with the laws of God, a profound joy and happiness of life would follow. Happiness is the result of character. There are many people who seek it everywhere as they seek it in marriage, but they cannot find it in marriage or anywhere else unless they possess the secret of happiness within themselves.

Therefore, we urge the Church to bestir herself in regard to character education not merely for marriage but for all the relationships of life. Otherwise her leadership may pass from her as it has in education, as it has largely passed in the care of the sick and in the administration of charity. One of the most difficult things in which to interest the clergy and laity of this Church is sustained religious and character training, but herein lies her chief opportunity. If she fails here her influence will be increasingly jeopardized. It is easy to think that the slow processes of education are unimportant. An outstanding evidence of this is found in the fact that when the National Council curtailed its budget one of the first cuts made was in the Department of Social Service, thereby destroying a most notable phase of its work—Institutes in family relationships. The Church must show more interest in its child life and must give far more attention to the youth movement. One of the greatest leaders in the Anglican Church has pointed out that in no way could the Church render a greater service in the matter of marriage than by helping young men and women to better opportunities for social contacts in their search for mates. Here would seem to be a great neglected opportunity. Many clergymen are crying for the banns. The purpose of banns is to make unadvised marriages more difficult, and this is well; but the good that could be accomplished by banns would be trivial as compared with affording young men and women such opportunities for social contact that they would really come to know something about one another. That this problem is a most serious one is evidenced by the existence of so many vicious dance halls and matrimonial bureaus. Nothing can be more important in modern society than to give young men and women a real opportunity to become better acquainted with one another before they take the lifelong vows of marriage.

Another tragedy in the life of the Church is its slight hold on young married people. Few of them attend Church, few of them are found in Church organizations. An earnest effort should be made to cultivate closer relations with them, because they so often need the help that the Church can give. The same is true in regard to older people, as has already been said.

But if the Church is to accomplish this great task of education it must depend on the leadership of the clergy, and the tragic fact is that they are rarely so trained that they are competent to take a position of leadership in the education of character or in the cure of souls. In the questionnaire sent out by your Commission three years ago one of the sad facts was that so few clergymen reported that people came to them with their marital problems. Yet why should
they? What training or experience has the ordinary clergyman that should make the average layman feel that he is skilled in dealing with the delicate problems of marriage. Yet one may be sure that if a clergyman were skilled in giving help he would be overwhelmed with those who would come to him, just as any clergyman is overburdened who acquires a reputation for helping those who are sick of soul. In the report of the last Lambeth Conference nothing received greater emphasis than the crying need for training our clergymen so that they should become skillful in dealing with the moral problems of life and in the cure of souls.

With this need of education in mind your Commission has drafted Section I and Section VI of the proposed Canon, which are largely of an educational nature. Section III calls for instruction in the nature of Christian marriage, and requires every clergyman to see that the parties seeking marriage at his hands have been instructed in regard to the nature of Christian marriage, and he must have them sign a statement indicating that they will strive to realize it. In Section VI we have stressed the importance of establishing the right sort of pastoral relation between priest and people in an effort to compose marital difficulties. There has been considerable criticism of these Sections, especially in regard to Section I, on the grounds that Canons are not the place for preaching. It has also been pointed out that many people would subscribe to the required statement in regard to marriage but never pay any special attention to it thereafter. This is doubtless true, but these sections of the Canon hold up clearly the standard of this Church in regard to marriage, and make as emphatic as possible the need for Christian education. They magnify the importance of education for marriage as something in which the laity of this Church should be interested, but especially as a responsibility of the clergy,—one that the individual clergyman may not evade and one which the Church through its formularies and through its Seminaries must accept as a primary obligation.

In dealing with education for marriage we face a difficult and extensive subject. The responsibility is too great for any one Christian Communion to shoulder, nor is there any such necessity. Most of the other Christian Communions in this land have appointed Commissions to study this whole subject of marriage and divorce, and there could be no better book for clergy and laity to read than that entitled "Twenty-four Views of Marriage," which has been edited by the Presbyterian Commission, published by Macmillan. The efforts of these various Commissions are being coordinated by the Federal Council of Churches, which now has a special Committee dealing with the whole subject of Marriage and the Home, which is giving attention both to research in the field of marital relations and the subject of education for Christian marriage. In accordance with the direction of this Convention we are cooperating with this Committee, on which the Church is represented by two members of your Commission.

In conclusion, we would chiefly stress not merely our conviction as to what the Christian Church might accomplish in the way of achieving true marriage and minimizing divorce, but rather what it is already doing. The investigation made by your Commission three years ago contained some significant facts, especially where husband and wife both regularly attended church. Clergymen of our own Church, reporting for 787 parishes with thousands of communicants, stated that in 87 percent of those congregations they could recall but one divorce or less. Clergymen of the Presbyterian Church reported that in 92
percent of 695 congregations they could recall but one divorce or less; Baptist clergymen reported but one or less divorces in 91.09 percent of 682 congregations; Congregational clergymen reported but one or less divorce in 93.9 percent of 520 congregations; and clergymen reporting for the Methodist Episcopal Church could recall but one divorce or less in 93.9 percent of 1,062 congregations.

These figures are a striking testimony to the fact that there is something about regular participation in the life of the Christian community that sanctifies, enriches and stabilizes married life. When all else has been said it would seem that if we are really anxious to minimize the evil of divorce the way to do it is by bringing as many people as possible into the active life of the Church.

The Commission therefore recommends the adoption of the following resolutions:

**Resolution No. 1.**

Resolved, the House of .......... concurring, that Canon 43 "of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony" be amended by striking out everything after the title and inserting in place thereof the following:

§ I. [i.] In every Parish instruction shall be given both publicly and privately, on the nature of Christian marriage, its responsibilities, and the mutual forbearance which it requires.

[ii.] No Minister of the Church shall solemnize a marriage unless he is assured that the parties thereto are thus instructed and that both hold the Christian ideal of marriage. In which case, before he officiates, he shall require them to sign in his presence the following statement:

"We, A. B. and C. D., desiring to receive the blessing of the Church upon our marriage, do solemnly declare that we hold Christian marriage to be a life-long physical and spiritual union of husband and wife, for the purpose of mutual fellowship, encouragement, and understanding, for the procreation (if it may be) of children and their physical and spiritual nurture, and for the safeguarding and benefit of society. And we engage ourselves, so far as in us lies, to make every effort to realize the Christian ideal and to avail ourselves of means of grace thereto as taught and provided by the Christian Church."

§ II. [i.] There shall be constituted in each Diocese and Missionary District an ecclesiastical court, with jurisdiction to act in all marital cases where one at least of the spouses is domiciled and a stated worshipper within the Diocese or District.

[ii.] Unless otherwise provided in the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese or District, the Judge or Judges of ecclesiastical courts shall be appointed by the Bishop, with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee, and shall be godly communicants resident in the Diocese or District, and learned in both the law of the Church and the law of the State.

[iii.] Unless otherwise provided in the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese or District, the Judge or Judges of an ecclesiastical court may fix the rules of procedure of his or their court.

§ III. [i.] The following are impediments to marriage:

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood) within the following degrees:

   (a) One may not marry his ascendant or descendant.
(b) One may not marry his sister.
(c) One may not marry the sister or brother of his ancestor or the descendant of his brother or sister.

2. Lack of free consent of either party.
3. Mistake as to the identity of either party.
4. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exercise of intelligent choice.
5. Insanity of either party.
6. Failure of either party to have reached the age of puberty.
7. Impotence of either party.
8. The existence of venereal disease in either party.
9. Facts which would make the proposed marriage bigamous.

[ii.] No Minister, knowingly after due inquiry, shall solemnize any marriage if there exist at the time of marriage any impediment to a valid marriage, nor shall any member of this Church enter upon a marriage when any impediments exist. If a marriage is entered upon when any of these impediments exist it shall be nulled.

[iii.] If, after a marriage has been dissolved by a civil court, it shall be proved that, at the time of the marriage, any of the impediments existed, the ecclesiastical court having jurisdiction over marital cases in the Diocese or Missionary District in which one of the parties is domiciled may declare the marriage null.

[iV.] A person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court and annulled by an ecclesiastical court, may be married as if he had never previously been married.

§ IV. Ministers of this Church shall be careful to secure the observance of the law of the State governing the civil contract of marriage in the place where the service shall be performed.

§ V. [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 by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

§ VI. If one party to a marriage so grievously offend the other that the security or permanence of the home is imperiled, it shall be the duty of the offended party, before instituting legal proceedings of any nature, to lay the matter before a Minister of the Church; and it shall be the duty of such Minister to labor that the parties may be reconciled. If in the end they cannot be reconciled, the Minister shall report his findings in the matter to the Bishop.

§ VII. [i.] No divorced person whose former spouse is alive shall be married by any Minister of the Church except as provided in this Section.

[ii.] Any person whose former marriage has been dissolved for any cause by a civil court may, after the expiration of one year from the granting of the divorce apply to the ecclesiastical marital court of his or her domicile for permission to marry another person. The court
shall thereupon inquire into the characters and personalities of the parties to the previous and proposed marriages and the conduct of the parties concerned in the divorce, and whether or not the applicant did what he or she reasonably could have done to avoid the separation; and if after this inquiry the court shall determine that the spiritual welfare of the applicant will be best served thereby, it may permit the proposed marriage. In such case, a Minister of the Church may solemnize the same; provided, that it shall be within the discretion of any Minister to decline to solemnize any marriage.

Your Commission feels that the subject of marriage and divorce is so important, that there is so much to be done in the way of research, and especially along the lines of education, that it should be continued and therefore offers

RESOLUTION No. 2.

Resolved, The House of ............. concurring, that this Commission be continued with the understanding that it will cooperate with other agencies to secure a scientific study of the subject of marriage and divorce, including the study of moral and religious factors, and also to further every undertaking which looks to education for Christian marriage; and that for the purpose of its work the Commission have power to add to its number.

In view of the fact that a Committee of this Commission, at considerable expense, has made a comprehensive and careful study of the Corpus Juris Canonici, and of the authorities on the Canon Law of the English Church, this Commission offers

RESOLUTION No. 3.

Resolved, The House of ............. concurring, that the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be requested to prepare and publish a digest of said Canon law.

MINORITY REPORT OFFERING A SUBSTITUTE FOR SECTION VII

VII. Any person whose former marriage has been dissolved for any cause by a civil court and who has been remarried by civil authority, may apply to the ecclesiastical court of his or her domicile for the recognition of such civil marriage. The court shall thereupon inquire into the character of the parties to the previous and the existing marriages and determine whether the welfare of the parties and the good of society will be served by such recognition.

In case of a favorable decision, no impediment shall exist to the membership in the Church and a Minister of this Church may in his discretion bless the parties to the union.

Provided, further, that it shall be within the discretion of any Minister to decline to solemnize any marriage.

REASONS.

The reasons for offering this substitute for the foregoing report of the Commission on Marriage and Divorce are as follows:

1. We object definitely to the remarriage of divorced persons by a Priest of the Church and to the use of the Marriage Service for such remarriage.
2. In this matter of marriage, we believe in the separation of Church and State. We feel that a clear distinction should be made between a civil marriage and the blessing of a union by the Church.

3. We believe that if any provision is to be made by the Church for the recognition of the marriages of divorced persons, such remarriages should be definitely safeguarded in some such way as we propose. The majority report of the Commission would open wide a way for the remarriage of divorced persons with the full Service of the Church and the taking of life-long vows.

4. We recognize in the present state of society the confusion that exists concerning the whole question of marriage and divorce, the ignorance of many people concerning the Church's standards of marriage and the laxity of the laws of many States. We realize that there are persons who have made unfortunate marriages and that the welfare of society and the welfare of such persons might be furthered by keeping them in touch with the Church although they have been divorced and remarried. If the present Canon in regard to the remarriage of divorced persons is repealed, some provision must be made for such cases. We offer this substitute as an attempt to recognize actual conditions and to provide for penitent persons who wish to have their marriage blessed and to remain in union with the Church.

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NOTE 1. (omitted here) Present Canon 43.

NOTE 2.
A STATEMENT REGARDING THE CANON LAW
By PROFESSOR JOSEPH H. BEALE.

"The Canon law has been carefully studied by a sub-committee of the Commission, and the result is the provisions of Section V of the proposed Canon on Matrimony, as herein drawn.

"Upon the separation of the English Church from Rome, the question at once arose as to the effect of separation on the law governing the Church. This law, for the English branch of the Catholic Church, had consisted in the Corpus Juris Canonici, accepted by the whole Western Church as its law, and certain special provisions applicable to England only, called 'Constitutions Provincial and Legatine.' The accepted doctrine with regard to these sources was that so much of
them as was not inconsistent with the independence of the English Church and its constitution continued as the governing law of the Church. Canons were added in 1604 and later, and the entire law as it was accepted by the Church was included in Gibson's 'Codex.'

"When the American Church was separated from the English Church, the same principles would naturally apply to the situation, and so much of the English Ecclesiastical law as was not in conflict with the independence and the constitution of the American Church would still be binding upon the Church. In this body of law we have, therefore, a great body of common law with which the Canons adopted by our Church are to be supplemented and interpreted. It is greatly to be desired that the whole body of this law be set forth, perhaps in connection with the existing Canons, and the Commission on Marriage and Divorce, having all the material, is prepared, if such be the will of the Church, to put out a statement of our Corpus Juris Canonici.

"For the purpose of marriage and divorce the Canon law provides only the tests of a legal marriage as set forth in Section III of our proposed Canon. This section states what marriages may and what may not be legally acknowledged, and provides that if a marriage does not conform to the canonical requirements as set forth in this section, it may be declared null by the Bishop, or his ecclesiastical court.

"All these provisions are already the law of the Church, and as well they represent the law of all, or nearly all, the States in this country. They are set out in order that we may have an exact statement of the law on this important subject accessible to every member of the Church.

"There have always existed in England ecclesiastical courts, presided over by an Ordinary, who is the delegate of the Bishop of each Diocese, and of the Archbishop of each Province. In England these courts have been absorbed into the general body of courts of the country, and since the Judicature Act of 1873 there have been no separate ecclesiastical courts in England, but only a so-called Probate Division of the High Court.

"In this country, each body of Christian men has the capacity to decide its internal affairs by its own court. In our own Church, except for the trial of members of the clergy, provision has seldom been made for an ecclesiastical tribunal, but the questions which would regularly come up in an ecclesiastical court have been heard and decided by the Bishop, usually with the help of his Chancellor.

"This method has worked well in our Church because the questions for ecclesiastical litigation have been few, and as a rule unimportant. If the occasions for litigation are increased as a result of the statute that we present, some more regular method of dealing with questions brought before the Bishop or court for trial must be determined. Under Sections III and VII of the proposed Canon, individual members of the Church have a right to be heard on the question of nullity or of remarriage."

NOTE 3.

EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH AND DIVORCE
(Notes prepared for the Commission.)

O. D. Watkins, Holy Matrimony, 293s.—

"The provisions of the secular law which have been now particularized are important in the present investigation on two grounds. The first of them is the great divergence which is seen to exist between
the secular law and the Christian teaching, a divergence which explains the attitude of the Christian Church in the matter, and which at the same time makes all reference to the secular Roman Law as to a Christian authority a thing absurd. The second ground on which these provisions are important is their subsequent history in connection with the Canon Law of the Eastern Church. It will be seen, that while the facility of divorce by mutual consent was eventually overthrown in the Empire by the power of the Church, many other grounds of divorce entirely unknown to early Christianity were gradually admitted into the practice of the Churches of the East, by reference from the secular laws of the Empire.

For a historical statement, see ib. 347-62.

3535.—

“In the Eastern Churches of the present day divorce is admitted as follows:

A. Grounds for divorce with penalty attached.
1. High treason.
2. Designs by either of the partners on the life of the other.
3. Adultery.
4. Circumstances affording presumption of adultery, or equivalent to adultery.
5. The procuring of abortion.
6. Difference of religion arising from the conversion to Christianity of one of the partners.
7. The reception by either partner of his or her own child from the baptismal font.

B. Grounds for divorce without penalty attached.
1. Impotence.
2. Absence without tidings received, Captivity, and Slavery.
3. Insanity.
4. Leprosy.
5. The undertaking of monastic obligations.
6. Episcopal Consecration.”

These are “the grounds of divorce admitted by the laws of Justinian, with certain modifications introduced in later times.” In all this, Watkins refers to Zhishman, Eherecht der orientalischen Kirche, a “valuable work” which “should be consulted by any who wish to pursue the study of the marriage law of the Eastern Churches.”

Callinikos, Greek Orthodox Catechism, 44.—

“The Sacrament of Marriage . . . . “The same St. Paul, by comparing the relations of the married couple to the relations existing between Christ and His Church, exalts the sanctity of Wedlock, and declares that, by its nature, it is indissoluble, since our Lord Himself shall be in a state of unity with His beloved Church throughout all ages.”

Gavin, Greek Orthodox Thought, 384s.—

“ ’Both Holy Scripture and Tradition emphasize the indissoluble character of Marriage, recognizing but one sole cause for the dissolu-
tion of the marriage tie—"fornication". In case of a separation a menusa et lora the innocent party could, according to the text, have the right of remarriage, which the Roman Church will not admit, as it holds to the absolute indissolubility . . . in defiance of Holy Scripture . . . second and third marriages are not looked upon with favor by the Church, but yet they are allowed. A fourth marriage is absolutely prohibited. Though neither Androuitos nor Dyobouniotes treat of the matter, Mesolora asserts definitely that 'the Orthodox allow divorce generally for the cause of adultery and also for other grave causes which make married life impossible, giving permission for a second and third marriage.' Among these 'other causes' for which divorce is granted are: a plot against the life of one or the other by the husband or wife; adultery; causes leading or related to adultery; procuring or inducing abortion or miscarriage; assuming the office of God-parent of the same child at a baptism; physical impotence; insanity; the monastic state."

Zhishman, *Das Eherecht der orientalischen Kirche*, 697s.—

Annulment of an invalid marriage is provided for in the Canon law of the Eastern Churches. The grounds for a declaration of nullity are related to (1) the lack of some absolute requirement, or (2) an impediment to the marriage, or (3) the unlawful form of the marriage. These grounds must have existed before the complete conclusion of the marriage settlement, and must be such that, if the parties themselves or the Church had known them, the marriage would not have taken place. The Bishop has jurisdiction over these cases, and his court rules as to the nullity of a supposed marriage. The law is quite precise, and generally there can be little room for doubt about it.

APPENDIX XII.

FOURTH REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHURCH MUSIC

The Joint Commission on Church Music respectfully submits its fourth Report.

Since the last General Convention the resignation of the Right Reverend Frederick Foote Johnson, D.D., Bishop of Missouri, has been received, and accepted with regret. The Reverend Walter Williams, Rector of St. Dunstan's College of Sacred Music in Rhode Island, has been elected to membership.

The following new publications have been issued, and are now available:

1. THE AMERICAN PSALTER. This work comprises (a) a Preface, wherein are set forth a complete exposition of the principles of chanting, with illustrations of correct and faulty renderings, together with the various Tables of Psalms as given in the Prayerbook. (b) The Choral Service for Morning and Evening Prayer, in melodic setting, with the Responses as harmonized by Tallis. (c) The canticles of Morning and Evening Prayer, with the invitatories to Venite, all set to Anglican chants, following the revised text and with pointing uniform with that in the Appendix to the New Hymnal. (d) The Psalter
for the Day. Pointed upon the same principles as the canticles. A chant is provided at the head of each psalm, and in the case of the longer psalms one or more new chants are interpolated at appropriate places in the text. Occasional footnotes clarify peculiar difficulties of termination or of syllabization. (e) The occasional anthems for Easter, Thanksgiving Day, Consecration of a Church, the Burial services.

The music represents a careful selection from the whole store of Anglican chants, determined by consideration of the best musical standards and practicability for congregational use. The pointing of the text conforms in principle to that accorded approval by the leading contemporary authorities in England and America. The Psalter in itself provides the means of complete musical rendering of the Daily Offices, and it is the earnest hope of the Commission that it may encourage the restoration in many parishes of the singing of the psalms in these services.

B. A Classified List of Hymns and Tunes in the New Hymnal. Announcement of the publication of this list, in the last Report of the Commission, was erroneous. While much of the work had been finished, it was necessary to defer its publication pending final revision by General Convention of the Collects, Epistles, and Gospels, which serve as the basis of an important part of the tabulation.

The List is now published and available for use. Four hymns are suggested for use in their appropriate position at Holy Communion on each Sunday and Holy Day of the Church year, together with additional hymns for Morning and Evening Prayer. In the selection of the former hymns consideration is given not only to the season or feast, but especially to the thought of the Collect, Epistle, or Gospel for the day. Tunes are classified under the head of Folk-song, Plain-song, Chorales, Psalm-tunes; tunes especially suitable for congregational use; tunes by early and by modern composers, others chiefly suited to choir use, and carols. It is hoped that the List will be widely used, as it should be of valuable assistance to the Clergy of all parishes which have adopted the official hymn-book of the Church, the New Hymnal.

C. At the request of the Joint Commission on the Hymnal the Appendix to the New Hymnal has been revised, and in its new form is now incorporated in that book. The revision was necessitated by alterations and additions of textual matter which were features of the last Prayer-book revision. The Appendix now comprises over eighty pages, consisting of settings of all the canticles, to both Anglican and Gregorian chants; simple harmonized settings of Sanctus and Gloria in excelsis (the latter in chant form), and the music of the congregational responses of Holy Communion. Taken together with the Hymnal and the Psalter, a complete choir service book is thus provided for the principal services.

D. The Report of 1922, reprinted. This report consisted of a comprehensive survey of the musical conditions in our Church, and included constructive suggestions for their improvement or administration. The supply of these reports remaining after General Convention was soon exhausted but in response to requests for copies so frequently received from clergy, laity, and schools and seminaries, a generous offer to defray the expense of reprinting the report was gratefully accepted. While the original report is reprinted in its entirety, many marginal references have been added, with explanatory matter; to-
The following additional works are in preparation:

1. The Psalter, set to Gregorian chants. This will be a counterpart of the American Psalter already published, substituting Gregorian for Anglican chants for the benefit of those parishes in which the use of the former is customary or desired. The need of such a work is obvious, as there is now no similar work available in which the text conforms to that of the revised Prayer-book.

In 1922 General Convention authorized the preparation and publication, by this Commission, of the Anglican Psalter described above in this report. It is greatly to be desired, and the Commission hereby respectfully requests, that similar authorization be granted to the Commission to publish the Gregorian Psalter above noted as being in preparation.

2. Musical setting of portions of the Burial Service and the Service for the Burial of a Child, other than the psalms, in accordance with the revised Prayer-Book, in Anglican form, has been completed and is ready for publication.

3. Similar settings with Gregorian melodies are being prepared, and will be published when ready.

4. A Classified List of Services and Service Music for Morning and Evening Prayer and for Holy Communion. This List, which it is hoped will be ready for publication within a few weeks, should be of value to all choirmasters, to whom there are now available no lists compiled from the same critical and practical standpoint.

5. A List of Organ Music suitable for church use, stressing particularly compositions based upon church melodies and hymn-tunes.

6. A List of Anthems, supplementary to the one already issued by the Commission, containing titles of works of recent composition and of special value as representing the highest type of church music, yet wholly practical for choir use.

The Commission is happy to record the increased interest in the cause of church music, which is manifest in various ways: through the addition of church music courses to the program of several of the summer conferences; through the establishment of courses in the subject in several important schools, leading even to diplomas and degrees; through the many inquiries received regarding the publications of the Commission; and by no means least, through the sympathetic response of the theological seminaries to the suggestion of the Commission that consideration be given to the provision of more comprehensive and practical courses in church music for those students who are to be candidates for Holy Orders.

It is still our belief that education in church music, particularly in its appreciation, is of primary importance. The music of the Church is dependent upon her liturgy, and yet co-existent with it. It occupies a field demanding special training, in addition to the cultivation of the same relative qualities of musicianship and of devotion to high ideals.

If the work of the Commission is to be rendered of real practical value to the Church, however, it is necessary that fullest advantage be taken of the assistance offered as a result of its thorough study of
our church music, in its relation to the services of the Church. The several publications already available have been issued with the approval of General Convention, a fact which should commend them above all others for use in the Church. Particularly may careful consideration of the 1922 Report be recommended to all parish clergy, organists, and choirmasters, as it contains many constructive suggestions regarding musical administration. The sympathetic and active interest of Bishops and Clergy will do more to support the Commission in its work than any other factor, and their co-operation to this end is respectfully but earnestly urged.

The Commission regards its work as not yet completed. The several compilations noted as being in preparation, which are believed to be important, will require the continued attention necessary to their publication. New liturgical matter remains to be given musical setting, and there are indications that the Commission may still be of service to those seeking advice and assistance in musical matters.

The Commission therefore begs, in conclusion, to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that the fourth Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted; that the authorization therein requested be granted, and that the Commission be continued, with power to fill vacancies and to add to its numbers.

The Membership of the Commission

The Most Reverend James DeWolf Perry, D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island.
The Right Reverend Wilson Reiff Stearly, D.D., Bishop of Newark, (Chairman).
The Reverend Floyd W. Tomkins, D.D., of Pennsylvania (Vice-chairman).
The Reverend Edward S. Travers, D.D., of Missouri.
The Reverend A. Vincent Bennett, of Western Massachusetts.
The Reverend Walter Williams, of Rhode Island.
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Complete information regarding all publications of the Commission will be sent upon application to the Secretary. Address: New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, Massachusetts.
APPENDIX XIII.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE TO WHICH IS REFERRED
THE REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON PROVINCES
AND ALL OTHER MATTERS PERTAINING THERETO

When the Provinces were organized eighteen years ago it was evident from the canonical provisions that the General Convention had in mind chiefly the relation of the Provinces to the national organization of the Church. They were to deal with such matters as might be delegated to them by the General Convention or the National Council. They were to be the agents of the national organization and to assist in promoting the national program. Little was said about the relation of the Provinces to the constituent dioceses, or the work that they might do as co-operative agencies of the dioceses.

In the working out of the Provincial idea it has been this latter phase of their work that has received the greater emphasis. The Provinces have proved their value in dealing with matters delegated to them by the constituent dioceses, taking over certain kinds of work that could be more effectively handled by a unit larger than the diocese, but not so remote as the national organization. The report of your Joint Committee on Provinces to the last General Convention contained a detailed statement of such work and an estimate of its value. A summary of these Provincial activities will be found in an appendix to this report.

This work for the dioceses has shown encouraging growth, though somewhat unevenly in the various Provinces, some being better equipped than others by organization and financial support for such tasks. The Presidents of the Provinces have stated, in response to inquiry by your Committee, that there is a steady and wholesome growth in provincial activities and in willingness to support such work. Especially are the weaker dioceses turning to the Province for aid, more particularly in those Provinces that have paid executives whose services are at the disposal of the dioceses. This has been most noticeable in religious education which has proved to be the most fruitful field for Provincial activity. The provincial organization has also been active in initiating and promoting programs of work to be carried out by the diocesan organizations, and in stimulating their activities, and the representatives of the educational departments of one Province have stated that their progress has been in a large degree due to the guidance and stimulation of the Provincial Department of Religious Education. In the judgment of your Committee the activities of the Provinces in relation to the constituent dioceses will continue to be the most important phase of Provincial work.

On the other hand we believe that the Provinces can function to a greater extent than at present as the agents of the National Church. The failure to develop this side of their work is not wholly the fault of the Provinces, for neither the General Convention nor the National Council have delegated any important tasks to the Provinces, though the Department of Religious Education of the National Council has from the beginning worked in co-operation with the Provincial departments. We suggest, therefore, in this report certain ways in which we
believe the Provinces can co-operate with the National Church and carry out more effectively the original purpose of the General Convention in creating the Provincial system.

**The Presiding Bishop and the Presidents of the Provinces**

The office of Presiding Bishop has grown in importance and there has been a corresponding increase in the burdens that fall upon the incumbent. So exacting are the duties of the Presiding Bishop, and so great the demands upon his time and strength, that only a bishop in vigorous health and one who can be away from his diocese for the larger part of the time can meet the demands made upon him.

It is the judgment of your Committee that some of the duties at present attaching to the office of the Presiding Bishop might well be delegated to the Presidents of the Provinces. It would, for instance, seem unnecessary that the Presiding Bishop should always be present at the consecration of a bishop and even more so at lesser occasions when a diocese, or some gathering of clergy or laymen, desire the presence of a representative of the larger organization of the Church. Relief from some of these duties would enhance the dignity of the office of Presiding Bishop and give him more time for the more important task of directing, in its various departments, the general work of the Church.

**Representation of the Provinces in the Departments of the National Council**

One reason why there is not a closer relation and more efficient co-operation between the National Council and the Provinces is the lack of any direct representation of the Provinces in the departments of the National Council. It is true that each Province elects one representative upon the National Council. This principle might well be carried one step further, so that the provincial departments as such, should have direct representation in the national departments. It would seem only fair that the Provinces should have such representation. Department representation that comes up from the field is in general more efficient than when the entire membership is appointed by a central administration. Such department members feel a greater responsibility for promoting in the fields they represent any program agreed upon by the department as a whole. In some of the Provinces the provincial departments are composed wholly or in part of persons nominated by the corresponding departments in the constituent dioceses and such an arrangement has worked well. We recommend, therefore, that the National Council be requested to appoint as part of the membership of its departments of Missions, Religious Education and Social Service and of the Field Department, one person in each department from each Province, such persons to be nominated by the corresponding departments of the Province, or by the Provincial Council, as the Synod of each Province may direct.

In this connection your Committee has noted with interest and approval the opinion expressed in a report rendered to and approved by the Synod of the First Province, that "some of the work now being undertaken by certain departments of the National Council could be more effectively handled by the Provinces with the same expenditure of money"; and that "there is need for a readjustment of the work now being carried out by the National Council and for a more extensive use of the Provincial organization with provision for ade-
quate financial support." We are gratified to find indications that the National Council desires to work in closer co-operation with the Provinces.

Number of Provinces

There has been during the past triennium increasing interest in the proposal to change the present division of the dioceses into Provinces. Representatives of the Fourth Province have for some time been urging a reduction of the number of Provinces from eight to four and the Second Province at its last Synod appointed a committee to consider the advisability of some such change. It is the judgment of your Committee that the initiative in this matter should be taken by the Provinces themselves and that it is for them to present any definite proposal rather than for the General Convention, on its own initiative, to alter the existing division, while there is the present uncertainty as to what the Provinces, or their constituent dioceses, desire. We believe, however, that these suggestions of the Second and Fourth Provinces are worth careful consideration and to that end we recommend the appointment of a Joint Committee, upon which each Province shall have a representative, to consider this and other proposals.

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.

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.

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 affect 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.

To put into effect the recommendations of this report we offer the following resolutions:

Resolved: That Canon 13, § I. [ii.] be amended by striking out in line 9 the words, "any three bishops," and substituting the words, "the President of the Province in which the bishop-elect is to exercise his office and any other two bishops."

That Canon 13, § I. [iii.] be amended by striking out in line 24 the words, "any three bishops," and substituting the words, "the President
of the Province in which the bishop-elect is to exercise his office and any other two bishops."

Resolved: That the General Convention recommend to the National Council the appointment as members of the Field Department and of the Departments of Missions, Religious Education and Social Service one representative of each Province in each of these departments, such persons to be nominated by the corresponding departments of the Province, or by the Provincial Council, as the Synod of each Province may determine.

Resolved: That the Joint Committee on Provinces be permitted to consider and report to the next General Convention upon the matter of the number and boundaries of the Provinces and for that purpose to request each Province to appoint a representative to meet with the Committee in its deliberations.

Resolved: That the Constitution, Article II, Section 6, be amended to read as follows:

"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."

SUMMARY OF PROVINCIAL ACTIVITIES

A study by your Committee of the place of the Provinces as working units in the life of the Church reveals the fact that, in spite of the limitations under which they have labored, there has been a steady and encouraging growth in Provincial activities during the past three years.

THE PROVINCIAL ORGANIZATION AND STAFF

The yearly meetings of the Provincial Synods have in themselves been of value, leading to an exchange of experiences and to a sharing of burdens. In several Provinces the Synod is the unifying center around which gather the representatives of the lay organizations active within the Province. Eight members of the National Council are chosen by the Synods.

The First Province has a full time general secretary. The Fourth has three part time workers in religious education. The Seventh Province appropriates annually $1,200 for a secretary for Young People's Work, and at the last Synod voted to have a part time secretary for religious education. The Fourth and Fifth Provinces support wholly or in part missionaries for the deaf. These workers are supported without assistance from the National Council.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

A majority of the dioceses have no educational executives. The National secretaries are too remote to render much aid. Such dioceses must look to the Province for educational leadership and assistance. There are, moreover, a number of educational enterprises, where the field is larger than the diocese, which the Province can most effectively handle.

In the First and Fourth Provinces the secretaries spend much time in diocesan and parochial educational activities. In Provinces where there are no paid secretaries volunteers have rendered helpful service, organizing and conducting training classes, institutes and conferences.
The Departments of Religious Education of the First, Second and Third Provinces have issued various booklets on some aspect of religious education. In the First Province three such booklets have been issued with a circulation of more than twenty thousand copies.

The Fourth Province has been especially active in organizing classes in teacher training, in promoting institutes, and in field surveys. The Sixth Province has instituted demonstration classes in Church Drama.

In the Fifth Province the Children's Crusade, a provincial undertaking, was promoted in every diocese of the Province, and was the most notable educational feature of that year.

These are examples of provincial activity in religious education of which many other instances might be cited. The National Department has found the Provincial organization essential in promoting its plans. The National Conference on Religious Education is organized on a Provincial basis and its advisory committee is on record in expressing the conviction that in the field of religious education Provincial organization is essential if the work is to develop.

Conferences

The Province is the best agency for the organization and control of conferences, and the Provinces have been very active in this field.

The Provincial summer conferences at St. Paul's School, Concord, New Hampshire, and at Sewanee, Tennessee, are examples of what the Provinces are doing through conferences. Similar conferences are held in the Second and Third Provinces.

The Young People's Fellowship, or Service League, is organized provincially and annual conferences are held in the First, Second, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Eighth Provinces. The Provinces more than any other agency have been influential in giving unity to this youth movement by co-ordinating divergent diocesan aims.

Conferences of educational leaders have been held in the First, Second, Fourth, Fifth and Eighth Provinces.

The First, Third, Fourth and Fifth Provinces have held conferences of college students; and the First, Second, Sixth and Seventh, conferences of clergy working with students.

The First and Seventh Provinces report conferences of leaders, or members of diocesan departments of Religious Education, or Social Service, and the First Province has held for two years a large general conference on some social question. The same Province has twice called a conference of diocesan representatives on the matter of Quotas and Missionary Gifts. The First Province has also gathered in conference the headmasters and teachers of Sacred Studies in the Church boarding schools for boys in the Province. The Third Province has a conference for Examining Chaplains. The Second and Fourth conduct regional conferences in Rural Work. Conferences for boys on the Ministry have been held in the First and Fourth Provinces.

Student Work

In no field has the contribution of the Province been more notable than in college work. In the First Province, by general consent, college work has been made a Provincial responsibility and the Secretary of the Province spends much time in college work. Four of the most successful college workers have been men discovered and recommended to their parishes by the Province. During the past year the
Fifth Province has made a notable advance in its college work and the Third Province has long been active in securing the best men for the student field. In many colleges the only connection the Church Students make with their Church is through the visits of the representatives of the Province. A large gathering of college clergy in the First Province expressed the opinion that Provincial college secretaries are more needed and more useful than secretaries working under the National Council.

The First Province has established a Church boarding school for boys and the secretary of the Province visits annually a number of boarding schools in the Province, as well as normal schools, when opportunity offers.

**Social Service**

The Fifth Province maintains an important work for Deaf Mutes employing two deaf mute missionaries who work throughout the Province. There is also work for the deaf in the Third, Fourth and Sixth Provinces.

The Eighth Province is making a study of the Oriental population in the Province with a view to taking over that work from the National Council. The Third Province has made a survey of work among colored people.

Several Provinces report growth in the work with the isolated, more particularly the Fifth and Third. The Third Province has recently organized a commission on Rural Work. The Seventh Province has given assistance to negro candidates for Holy Orders.

**Financial Support**

The Provinces report that in almost every instance diocesan apportionments for the Province have been paid in full, but also that the meagerness of the Provincial income is the chief hindrance to the enlargement of Provincial work. The Provincial principle that the stronger dioceses should help to bear the burdens of the weaker dioceses is winning more general support.

**APPENDIX XIV.**


"For the purpose of considering the procedure provided in the Canons for the trial and sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons, with a view to clarifying and simplifying the same, and of reporting to the next General Convention such changes and amendments to the Canons as they may deem desirable."

The Commission reported at the General Convention held in the City of Washington, D.C., 1928. By Resolution passed at this Con-
vention the Commission was requested to have their report printed and distributed at least three months before the meeting of the next General Convention.

The Right Reverend Paul Matthews, D.D., Chairman.
Reverend William D. Maxon, D.D.
Henry D. Harlan.
George W. Wickersham.
Origen S. Seymour.

Dated, June 15, 1931.

In the words of the late Reverend Edwin A. White, D.D., for many years both a Deputy to General Convention and Chairman of the Committee on Canons of the House of Deputies,

"Two things are urgently needed to complete our Ecclesiastical judicial system:

"First, a uniform code of constituting Diocesan Trial Courts, and the conduct of trials in such Courts, and

"Second, a final Court of Appeals ***. The failure of General Convention heretofore to provide such a Court presents this anomaly. If a Bishop is accused of an offense against the Doctrine, Faith or Worship of the Church, the most minute question of disputed Doctrine or Worship can be pressed to a decision by the whole House of Bishops, but if the accused be a Presbyter or Deacon, the Diocesan Court consisting possibly of three utterly incompetent men so far as the question at issue is concerned, may settle the most fundamental articles of the Christian Faith, and if this decision is sustained by one single Bishop there is no appeal from its decision."

The Church has provided Courts of Review, but as it stands today they cannot determine any question of Doctrine, Faith or Worship, because of the provision in § III of Canon 34, which provides:

"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."

The proposed revision is more a consolidation of repetitious provisions found in Canons 27 to 34, inclusive, than an attempt to codify the same. This it is believed has been done without essential change of language, (as is indicated by the marginal letters "i.h.v.", meaning "in haec verba").

The most serious matter that engaged the attention of the Commission was the drafting of a Canon establishing an ultimate Court of Appeals. This is proposed in a new Canon to be numbered 33, and entitled "Of a Court of Appeals."

Aside from this entirely new Canon, Canons 27 and 28 have been reversed in their order and Section V of present Canon 27 has been transferred to the new Canon 27 (formerly 28). Also the provisions as to personal service are clarified. Otherwise old Canon 27 remains as it is, except for the change in the numbering; and a significant change in subdivision "(h)" of Section I and, as aforesaid, the insertion as § II of old § V.

The proposed new Canon 29 groups together the various Courts now established and describes how they are constituted, their jurisdiction, and their procedure. §§ II to XIII inclusive, are practically
identical with the Sections of present Canon 34. § XIV is the same as § I. of present Canon 29 and § XV is the same as § I. of present Canon 32.

The various provisions found in both present Canons 29 and 32 as to "relationship which disqualifies a Judge," "Vacancies, how created and filled," "Power to adjourn," the number that constitutes a "quorum" and the "mode of selecting Presidents and Clerks" are grouped together under the head "Of Membership in Courts," being proposed new §§ XVIII and XIX of Canon 29, and procedural matters are grouped in §§ XX to XXIII, inclusive.

The proposed new Canon 30 "Of Presentments" is substantially identical with the present Canon 30.

The proposed new Canon 31 is identical with old Canon 31, except for the omission of procedural matters, service of citations and the like, which, as noted above, have been taken care of in the proposed new Canon 29.

The specific recommendations of the Commission are as follows:

1. **Amend present Canon 27 as follows:** Strike out the numeral 27 and substitute in place and in lieu thereof the numeral 28; strike out the word "and" in the title and add the words "and Attendance."

2. Strike out § I. and substitute in place and in lieu thereof a new section to be numbered I.

3. Strike out the first three lines of § II and the word "Bishop" at the beginning of the fourth line.

4. Further amend § II by striking out the word "Minister" where it appears in the fifth, eleventh and fifteenth lines of said Section and insert in each case, in place and in lieu thereof, the words "Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon."

5. Strike out § V.

6. **Amend present Canon 28 by striking out the numeral "28" and substituting in place and in lieu thereof the numeral "27". Also strike out the word "Priests" in the first line of said Section and substitute in place and in lieu thereof the word "Presbyters."

7. Amend Subdivision (h) of § I. by striking out the same and substitute in place and in lieu thereof the following:

   (h) "Conduct Unbecoming a Clergyman"; "Provided, however, that in the case of a Presbyter or Deacon charged with this offence, before proceeding to a presentment, the consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the Presbyter or Deacon is canonically resident, shall be required. And, Provided, further, upon the Presbyter or Deacon being found guilty, such Presbyter or Deacon shall be admonished or shall be suspended or deposed from the Sacred Ministry as shall be adjudged by the Trial Court, except as provided in Canon 40, § III."

8. Renumber § II. of present Canon 28 as § III. and insert a new § II.
9. Further amend present § II. by striking out the second sentence and substituting in place and in lieu thereof the following:

"Except that in a case of a conviction in a Court of Record exercising criminal jurisdiction as aforesaid a presentment may be made at any time within one year after such conviction notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since the commission of the offence."

10. Amend present Canon 29 by striking out the title and all that follows and inserting a new Title and Sections in place and in lieu thereof.

11. Amend present Canon 30 by striking out the title and § I thereof and substituting in place and in lieu thereof the following:

OF PRESENTMENTS
(a) Of a Presbyter or Deacon

§ I. The mode of presentment of a Presbyter or Deacon shall be that provided by the Canons of the several Dioceses or Missionary Districts wherein the accused is canonically resident.

Further amend said Canon 30 by the introduction of a new title and section after § I to read as follows:

(b) Of a Bishop

§ II. A Bishop may be presented by any three Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction for holding and teaching publicly or privately and advisedly, doctrine contrary to that held by this Church. Such presentment shall be in writing, signed and verified by the Bishops presenting, and shall be delivered to the Presiding Bishop.

Further amend said Canon 30 by striking out the figures "§ II" and substitute in place and in lieu thereof the figures "§ III." In the second line of said section change the numerals "28" to "27."

Further amend said Canon 30 by striking out the figures "§ III" and substitute in place and in lieu thereof the figures "§ IV"; and also by striking out the word "moral" and the word "religious" in the third line thereof and substitute in place and in lieu thereof the word "personal" and the word "official," respectively.

Further amend said Canon 30 by striking out the figures "§ IV" and substitute in place and in lieu thereof the figures "§ V"; and renumber the subsequent sections of said Canon accordingly.

Amend present § VII of present Canon 30 by striking out the last three lines of said section after the word "Bishop" and insert in place and in lieu thereof the words "in the manner provided in Canon 29."

12. Amend present Canon 31 as follows:

(a) Strike out the last four and a half lines of [ii.] of § I, following the words "Church Advocate" in the fourth line of said clause.

(b) Strike out §§ III, IV, and V and substitute in place and in lieu thereof the following:

§ III. The accused being present and the trial proceeding, it shall be conducted in accordance with § XXI of Canon 30. 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.

(c) Amend § VI. [i.] by renumbering the same "§ IV."

(d) Amend [ii.] of present § VI. by renumbering the same as "§ V."

"And the Court shall also, if the accused is found guilty of any charge or specification, determine and embody in the written decision the penalty which it shall adjudge should be imposed upon the accused, which penalty may be admonition or suspension or deposition from the ministry, as shall be by the Court adjudged; and the decision so signed shall be recorded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be judgment nisi until it becomes final as hereinafter stated."

(e) Amend [iii.] of § VI. by renumbering the same § VI."

(f) Amend § VII by striking out the same and substitute in place and in lieu thereof the following:

"§ VII. If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, he may file a motion for a new trial and/or for a modification of penalty. Any such motion or motions shall be filed within 30 days from the date of the filing of the decision, and the motion shall set forth all the reasons therefor, and no other shall be relied on at the hearing of the motion without the consent of the Court. The President of the Court shall set a place and time for hearing the motion and shall reconvene the Court to hear and determine the same.

"The Court may in the interest of justice grant a new trial or modify the penalty. If the motion for a new trial is granted the President of the Court shall set a time and place for the new trial, and notify the parties and the members of the Court of such time and place. If the motion for a new trial is overruled, the judgment nisi as to the guilt of the accused shall become final, but the Court in the exercise of its discretion may modify or change the penalty, and shall in writing signed by a majority of the Court direct what penalty is to be incorporated in the final judgment to be recorded by the Clerk. If no motion for a new trial or for modification of sentence shall be filed within the time limited for filing such motions, the Clerk of the Court shall on the next secular day enter, as final, the judgment rendered by the Court. An appeal from a final judgment of a Court for the trial of a Bishop to the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop, as provided in Canon 32, may be taken within sixty days from the entry of such judgment.

"After the entry of final judgment, the President of the Court shall appoint a time and place not less than 60 days thereafter for pronouncing sentence. At the time and place appointed, if the accused shall not have an appeal pending in the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, or the Court of Appeals, or the action of the Court of Review has not made it unnecessary for the Trial Court to proceed to pronounce sentence, the President of the Court or a member thereof designated in writing by a majority of the members thereof to do so,
shall in the presence of the accused, if he shall see fit to attend, pronounce the sentence which has been adjudged by the Court, and direct the same to be recorded by the Clerk."

(g) Amend § VIII. [i.] by striking out the last sentence.
(h) Further amend said Canon 31 by striking out all of § IX and § X.

13. Amend Canon 32 by striking out the same.

14. Amend Canon 33 by renumbering the same as "Canon 32," and change the title thereof to read:

"Of Appeals to the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop."

Amend § II by adding at the end thereof the following:

"The President of the Court of Review upon receiving the notice of appeal shall appoint a time within 60 days thereafter for hearing the appeal and fix the place of the hearing, and at least 30 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 appellant and appellee."

Amend § V by striking out the words "for the" in the first and again in the twelfth line and substituting in place and in lieu thereof the word "of."

Further amend § V by adding after the words "further, that" in the fourteenth line, the following: "if no appeal has been taken to the Court of Appeals as provided by Canon 33."

Further amend § V by striking out the words "entitled to seats in the House of Bishops" near the end thereof, and add at the end of the Section the words "and entitled to vote."

Amend § VI by striking out the figures "31" "VII" (ii) in the last line of said Section and inserting in place and in lieu thereof "40," "IV."

15. Insert a new Canon to be numbered "33," the title of which shall be "Of a Court of Appeals."

16. Amend Canon 34 by striking out the same and renumbering the succeeding Canons accordingly.

17. Amend present Canon 40 by striking out § III and substituting in place and in lieu thereof a new § III, and by adding two new Sections to be numbered §§ IV and V.

18. Amend present Canon 51, § VI, by adding at the end thereof, the following:

"Provided, however, that in case of emergency should the treasury at any time before the next General Convention require it, the Presiding Bishop, the President of the House of Deputies, the Secretary of the House of Deputies, the Treasurer of General Convention and the Chairman of the Committees on Expenses, or a majority of them, shall have authority to levy an additional assessment not to exceed $4.00 for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon canonically resident in such Diocese as recorded in the Journal of General Convention last preceding, as and whenever in their judgment (or the judgment of a
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majority of them) an emergency exists and such additional assessment is necessary."

CANON 27.

OF OFFENCES FOR WHICH BISHOPS, PRESBYTERS OR DEACONS MAY BE TRIED

§ I. A Bishop, Presbyter, 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.
(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, however, that in the case of a Presbyter or Deacon charged with this offence, before proceeding to a presentment, the consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the Presbyter or Deacon is canonically resident, shall be required. Upon a Presbyter or Deacon being found guilty, such Presbyter or Deacon shall be admonished, or shall be suspended or deposed from the Sacred Ministry, as shall be adjudged by the Trial Court, except as provided in Canon 40, § III.

§ II. In the case of a Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 Presiding Bishop, in the case of a Bishop, and in the case of a Presbyter or Deacon, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or of the Council of Advice of the Missionary District in which he is canonically resident, to institute an inquiry into the matter. If in the judgment of either, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to cause that he be presented, for trial.

§ III. No presentment shall be made or conviction had for any offence, unless the offence shall have been committed within five years immediately preceding the time of the presentment, except that in a case of a conviction in a Court of Record exercising criminal jurisdiction as aforesaid, a presentment may be made at any time within one year after such conviction notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since the commission of the offence.

CANON 28.

OF AMENABILITY, CITATION AND ATTENDANCE

§ I. Bishops, Presbyters and Deacons are amenable for offences committed by them; a Bishop to a Court of Bishops and a Presbyter or Deacon, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, or the Mis-
sionary District, in which he is canonically resident at the time the charge is made.

§ II. A notice or citation required by any law of this Church to any Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 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.

CANON 29.

OF COURTS, THEIR MEMBERSHIP AND PROCEDURE

(a) Diocesan Courts for the Trial of a Presbyter or Deacon

§ I. In each Diocese and Missionary District there shall be an Ecclesiastical Court for the trial of any Presbyter or Deacon thereof, and it shall be the duty of each Diocese and Missionary District to provide by Canon for the establishment of such Court and the mode of conducting trials in the same.

(b) Courts of Review of the Trial of a Presbyter or Deacon

§ II. 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 served with notice of the decision of the Court in the manner specified in Canon 28, § III, nor in case an appeal is taken shall sentence be pronounced pending the hearing and determination thereof.

§ III. In each of the Provinces there shall be a Court of Review of the trial of a Presbyter or Deacon, 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.

§ IV. 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, shall continue to be members of the Court for the term of three years and until their successors shall be elected.
The Bishop elected by the Synod shall be the Presiding Officer of the Court.

§ V. 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.

§ VI. 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 of the 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 the Council of Advice of the Missionary District within which a trial was had shall appeal from a decision of the 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 only, and that the decision shall not be held to reverse the acquittal of the accused on other charges than these. But such an appeal by the Standing Committee or Council of Advice 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 held or (in case of his inability to act), the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, 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 Court of Review by serving a written notice of appeal on the Bishop or Standing Committee or Council of Advice of said 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 or Council of Advice, may be taken by the service by the appellant of a written notice of appeal 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, § 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.

§ VII. 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 Council of Advice of the 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 decision of the Trial Court, including 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.

§ VIII. 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 Council of Advice of the Missionary District in which the trial was had. When the appeal is from the decision of a Trial Court in any Missionary District such notice 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 deliver copies of the record.

§ 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. When 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.

The Church Advocate shall be deemed to be the opposite party for the purposes of this and the succeeding Canons.

§ X. At the time and place appointed, the Court shall organize, 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. 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, in its discretion, may dismiss the appeal for want of prosecution, or may proceed to hear and determine the appeal in his absence.

§ XII. The concurrence of two-thirds of the members of a Court present 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 two-thirds of the 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 Council of Advice of the 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.
§ XIII. The Court of Review for the trial of a Presbyter or Deacon shall not pronounce sentence on the affirmation of a conviction. When the appeal is so determined, upon receipt of the record by the Bishop or Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the jurisdiction of the Trial Court, the accused shall be sentenced in accordance with Canon 40, the provisions of which shall be complied with.

(c) Court for the Trial of a Bishop

§ XIV. [i.] There shall be a Court for the trial of a Bishop constituted as follows: The House of Bishops shall choose three Bishops to serve as judges of said court for a term of three years, three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for a term of six years, and three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for a 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.

[ii.] The Court is vested with jurisdiction to try a Bishop who is duly charged with any one or more of the offences specified in Canon 27.

[iii.] Not less than six of said judges shall constitute a quorum, but any less number may adjourn the Court from time to time.

(d) The Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop

§ XV. There shall be a Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, which shall be composed of Bishops only and shall be constituted as follows:

The House of Bishops shall choose three Bishops who shall serve as Judges of the Court of 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 the term of nine years in place of those whose term of office shall then have expired.

§ XVI. The said Court of Review is vested with jurisdiction to hear and determine appeals from the determination of the Court for the Trial of a Bishop; and the determination of such Court shall be final unless modified or reversed by the determination of the Court of Appeals.

§ XVII. Not less than six Judges shall constitute a quorum and the concurrence of six Judges shall be necessary to pronounce a judgment, but any less number may adjourn the Court from time to time. Provided, however, that the Judges of the Court for the Trial of a Bishop or of a Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, heretofore elected under the provisions of Canons 29 and 32, respectively, as said Canons existed prior to the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, shall continue in office for the terms for which they were respectively elected.

(e) Of Membership in Courts

§ XVIII. (1) No person shall sit as a member of any Court who is a presenter of charges or is related to the accused or either of them by affinity or consanguinity in a direct ascending or descending line, or as a brother, uncle, nephew or first cousin, nor shall any Bishop, nor any Presbyter, nor any 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 shall any Bishop, 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.

(2) The death, permanent disability, resignation or refusal to serve as a member of any Court shall constitute a vacancy in the Court.

Notices of resignations or refusals to serve shall be given as follows:

[i.] By any Bishop chosen to serve as a member of the Court for the Trial of a Bishop or of the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop; written notice sent to the Presiding Bishop.

[ii.] By the President of the Court of Review of the Trial of a Presbyter or Deacon; written notice sent to the President of the Provincial Synod.

[iii.] By a Presbyter or Layman of such Court; written notice sent to the President of said Court.

(3) If any Presbyter appointed to a Board of Inquiry shall become a Bishop or any Layman appointed to said Board shall become a Presbyter before the final disposition of the charge he shall thereby vacate his place as a member of the Board.

§ XIX. Vacancies occurring in any of the Courts may be filled as follows:

(1) In the case of disqualification of any Judge of any Court, other than the Court of Appeals, the remaining Judges of the said Court shall appoint a Judge to take the place of the one so disqualified in that particular case.

(2) In the case of a vacancy in the Court for the Trial of a Bishop or in the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop the remaining Judges thereafter 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 shall serve during the remaining of the term.

(3) In the case of death, permanent disability, resignation or refusal to serve, or the removal from the province of the Bishop appointed as a member of the Court of Review of the Trial of a Presbyter or Deacon, the President of the Provincial Synod shall give written notice thereof to the Bishop senior by consecration in the Province. Thereupon the Bishop so notified shall become a member of the Court until a new appointment shall be made. If in a particular case the Bishop so appointed is unable or unwilling to serve as a member of the Court he shall notify the President of the Provincial Synod of this fact, who shall thereupon appoint the Bishop next senior by consecration in that Province.

(4) In case a vacancy shall exist in the membership of the Court of Review in any Province, among the clerical or lay members originally chosen, or in case any of them shall be disqualified or unable to sit in a particular case, the President of the Court shall appoint other Presbyters or Laymen residing in the Province to fill such vacancy and to sit as members of said Court.

(5) In the case of a vacancy for any cause in the Board of Inquiry the Presiding Bishop shall appoint another Presbyter or another Layman, as the case may be, to act as a member of the Board, who, upon acceptance of appointment, shall become a member of the Board.
All of the provisions of the Canons relating to persons originally appointed as members of the several Courts or Boards of Inquiry or Commissions, shall apply to those persons appointed in succession to the persons originally appointed, and all proceedings which may have been taken on any cause 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, Board or Commission, when such cause was commenced, and such appointee may participate in the continuing hearing and determination of the said cause.

If the term for which a member of a Court, Board or Commission was chosen shall have expired during the course of a hearing or trial, said member shall notwithstanding be competent to act in the cause until the termination of the trial or hearing.

(f) Of Procedure

§ XX. [i.] The procedure in Diocesan Courts shall be as provided by the Canons of the respective Dioceses or Missionary Districts.

[ii.] The Court for the Trial of a Bishop and the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop shall from time to time elect from its own membership a Presiding Judge who shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which he was chosen Judge. If in any proceeding before said Courts the Presiding Judge is disqualified or is for any cause unable to act, the Court shall elect a Bishop as Presiding Judge pro tempore.

[iii.] The several Courts shall appoint clerks and if necessary assistant clerks who shall be Presbyters of this Church to serve during the pleasure of the Court.

The several Courts may appoint not less than two nor more than three lay communicants of this Church learned in the law, as assessors. They shall have no vote. 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 is theological, it shall be decided by the Court by a majority of the votes.

The several Courts may adopt rules of procedure not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons of this Church, with power to alter or rescind the same from time to time.

§ XXI. In the conduct of investigations preliminary to presentments, as well as in all trials, the laws of the civil jurisdiction in which such investigation or trial is held so far as they relate to evidence shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which said Board of Inquiry, Commission, or Court, shall be governed, and trials shall be conducted according to the principles of the Common Law as the same is generally administered in the United States, except in those Dioceses where Ecclesiastical Courts are provided for by Constitution or Statute, in which case the same shall govern.

No determination or judgment of any Court shall be disturbed for technical errors, not going to the merits of the cause.

The several Courts shall keep a record of all their proceedings.

§ XXII. The various Courts, excepting the Court of Appeals, shall permit 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, but in every trial or investigation the several Courts may reg-
ulate the number of counsel who may address the Court or examine witnesses.

The President, or any other member of the several Courts, shall upon application of either the Church Advocate or the accused issue subpoenas for witnesses, but before doing so the person who issues the same shall first be satisfied that the testimony sought to be adduced is material and that the witness is one whom the Court would be willing to hear upon the trial, otherwise he may refuse to issue the same.

When the several Courts are not in session, if there is a vacancy in the office of the President, the Bishop who is senior by consecration shall perform the duties of the office of President.

If in the course of a trial it becomes necessary to take the testimony of absent witnesses, it may be taken upon a commission as such commissions are authorized by the common law in the jurisdiction in which the trial takes place, and in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of a witness at the forthcoming 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 desiring to take such depositions shall give the opposite party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking depositions, 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. Such testimony shall be preceded by a written declaration of the witness similar to that of a witness testifying in person before the Court for the trial of a Bishop.

In any Diocese in which the Civil Government shall have authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts therein to issue subpoenas for witnesses or to administer an oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such law. Provided, however, that no deposition shall be taken, or read at the trial, unless the Court shall deem such testimony to be material and also have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, and the several Courts shall have power to limit the scope of the testimony and the number of witnesses to be examined and whose depositions shall be taken.

§ XXIII. Where a presentment of a Bishop is made by any three Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction, they may select a Church Advocate as legal adviser. The Presiding Bishop upon the receipt of written charges or written demand under the provisions of Sections III or IV of Canon 30 shall at the same time that the Board of Inquiry is appointed as provided in Section V of said Canon 30 appoint a Church Advocate to act as the legal adviser of the Board.

In all trials and upon all appeals the several Courts may appoint a Church Advocate with or without assistants, all of whom shall be of the profession of the law, and communicants of the Church, to appear in behalf of the Church upon such trial or appeal. The Church Advocate shall then be considered the party on one side, and the accused the party on the other.

§ XXIV. The necessary charges and expenses of the Court of Review of the trial of a Presbyter or Deacon, including the necessary
expenses of the Church Advocate and Lay Assessors, shall be a charge upon the Province and shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Synod of such Province upon the order of the President of the Synod. Similar charges in the case of the trial of a Bishop, and of the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, and of the Court of Appeals shall be paid by the Treasurer of General Convention upon the order of the President of such Courts.

The necessary expenses of Boards of Inquiry or Commissions appointed under the Canons of this Church to make preliminary investigation and to report upon charges presented, including therein the necessary expenses of Church Advocates appointed to assist such Boards or Commissions, shall be a charge upon the General Convention, or upon the Province, or the Diocese, or the Missionary District, as the case may be. They shall be paid by the respective Treasurers of General Convention, of the Synod or Province, or of the Diocese or of the Missionary District, upon the order of the President of the several Courts.

CANON 30.

OF PRESENTMENTS

(a) Of a Presbyter or Deacon

§ I. The mode of presentment of a Presbyter or Deacon shall be that provided by the Canons of the several Dioceses or Missionary Districts wherein the accused is canonically resident.

(b) Of a Bishop

§ II. A Bishop may be presented by any three Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction, for holding and teaching publicly or privately and advisedly, doctrine contrary to that held by this Church. Such presentment shall be in writing, signed and verified by the Bishops presenting, and shall be delivered to the Presiding Bishop.

§ III. A Bishop may be charged with one or more of the offences specified in Canon 27, other than that of holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, by three Bishops or 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 of the Church. The grounds of accusation must be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, place and circumstance.

§ IV. Whenever a Bishop shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports, or allegations affecting his personal or official 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.

§ V. The Presiding Bishop, upon the receipt of such written charges or such written demand, shall 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.

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 trial.

The testimony shall be stenographically reported, and shall be preserved in the custody of the Presiding Bishop or in the archives of the House of Bishops. The proceedings of the Board of Inquiry shall be private.

§ VI. 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 a 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 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 heretofore provided.

§ VII. 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 V, who shall consider the case de novo.

§ VIII. 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, in the manner provided in Canon 28.
§ IX. 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 of the Church.

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 requires the appointment of another place; and in case the accused have no jurisdiction, at a place within the Diocese or Missionary District in which he has his domicile. 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.

§ 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 defense.

[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 in accordance with § XX, XXI and XXII of Canon 29. 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 on the trial of a presentment against Right Reverend , a Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, now pending, do most solemn-
ly 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."

§ IV. 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.

§ V. 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 Court shall also, if the accused is found guilty of any charge or specification, determine and embody in the written decision the penalty which it shall adjudge should be imposed upon the accused, which penalty may be admonition or suspension or deposition from the ministry, as shall be by the Court adjudged; and the decision so signed shall be recorded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be judgment nisi until it becomes final as hereinafter stated.

§ VI. 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. If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, he may file a motion for a new trial and/or for a modification of penalty. Any such motion or motions shall be filed within 30 days from the date of the filing of the decision, and the motion shall set forth all the reasons therefor, and no other shall be relied on at the hearing of the motion without the consent of the Court. The President of the Court shall set a place and time for hearing the motion and shall reconvene the Court to hear and determine the same.

The Court may in the interest of justice grant a new trial or modify the penalty. If the motion for a new trial is granted, the President of the Court shall set a time and place for the new trial, and notify the parties and the members of the Court of such time and place. If the motion for a new trial is overruled, the judgment nisi as to the guilt of the accused shall become final, but the Court in the exercise of its discretion may modify or change the penalty, and shall in writing signed by a majority of the Court direct what penalty is to be incorporated in the final judgment to be recorded by the Clerk. If no motion for a new trial or for modification of sentence shall be filed within the time limited for filing such motions, the Clerk of the Court shall on the next secular day enter, as final, the judgment rendered by the Court. An appeal from a final judgment of a Court for the trial of a Bishop to the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop, as provided in Canon 32, may be taken within sixty days from the entry of such judgment.

After the entry of final judgment, the President of the Court shall appoint a time and place not less than 60 days thereafter for pronouncing sentence. At the time and place appointed, if the accused shall not have an appeal pending in the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, or the Court of Appeals, or the action of the Court of
Review has not made it unnecessary for the Trial Court to proceed to pronounce sentence, the President of the Court or a member thereof designated in writing by a majority of the members thereof to do so, shall in the presence of the accused, if he shall see fit to attend, pronounce the sentence which has been adjudged by the Court, and direct the same to be recorded by the Clerk.

§ 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.

[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 kept in the depository of the Registrar of the General Convention, and shall be open to the inspection of every member of this Church.

CANON 32.

OF APPEALS TO THE COURT OF REVIEW OF THE TRIAL OF A BISHOP

§ I. A Bishop found guilty of any offence shall have the right to appeal from the judgment of the Trial Court to the Court of 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 of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, assigning in said notice the reasons of appeal, he shall be held to have waived the right of appeal, although in its discretion the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop may entertain and hear an appeal not taken within such prescribed period.

The President of the Court of Review upon receiving the notice of appeal shall appoint a time within sixty days thereafter for hearing the appeal and fix the place of the hearing, and 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 appellant and appellee.

§ III. Upon notice of appeal being given, the Clerk of the Trial Court shall send to the Clerk of the Court of 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 of 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 of Review of the Trial of a Bishop shall have no power to reverse said findings; and, Provided, further, that if no appeal has been taken to the Court of Appeals as provided by Canon 33 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 finding shall have been approved by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops canonically assembled in said House, and entitled to vote.

§ VI. If the Court of 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 of 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 ought to say in excuse or palliation. The sentence shall be pronounced by the Presiding Bishop, or such other Bishop as the Presiding Bishop shall designate, who shall thereupon give the notices thereof required by Canon 40, § IV.

§ VII. In case of appeal, all proceedings in the Trial Court shall be stayed until such appeal be dismissed by the Court of 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 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.

The appellant may waive his appeal at any time before a hearing thereof has begun before the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop. After said hearing has begun, he may waive his appeal only with the consent of the Court. In case the appeal is waived or dismissed, the Trial Court shall proceed as if no appeal had been taken.

CANON 33.

OF A COURT OF APPEALS

§ I. There shall be a final Court of Appeals which shall consist of the Bishops of the Church when canonically assembled in a House of Bishops.

§ II. The Court of Appeals is vested with jurisdiction to hear and determine appeals from the final determination of Courts of Review and from the determination of a Trial Court which stands affirmed under Section XI of Canon 29, Provided, however, that an appeal to the Court of Appeals can be taken only on questions of doctrine, faith or worship. No other questions shall be considered or determined by said Court, and no appeal shall lie from the decision of a Court of Review which grants a new trial.

§ III. There shall be a judicial commission to said Court, appointed at each General Convention, which shall consist of five Bishops, five Presbyters and five Laymen, communicants of this Church. It shall be the function of the Judicial Commission to digest the matter of any appeal taken to the Court of Appeals and report their findings thereon for the final decision of the House of Bishops.
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The Commission shall be appointed by the House of Bishops, subject to approval by the House of Deputies. In case of rejection by the House of Deputies of one or more of the Commission appointed by the House of Bishops, vacancies so occasioned shall be filled by a new appointment by the House of Bishops, subject to like approval. The Commissioners shall hold their office until the next succeeding General Convention, and until their successors are appointed. The expiration of the term of office of any Commissioner, during the hearing of an appeal, shall not vacate his membership on the Commission, but he may continue to act until the final determination of the case, and his successors shall not take part in such hearing.

§ IV. An appeal may be taken by an accused Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon, from an adverse determination of a Court of Review, or when an adverse determination of a Trial Court stands affirmed under Section XI of Canon 30; or Section V of Canon 32.

Upon the written request of three Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction, no one of whom has been a presenter or a Judge in the case or a person disqualified from sitting in the Court of Review, an appeal shall be taken immediately by the Church Advocate who acted as such in the Court of Review from a determination of such Court acquitting the accused. The said three Bishops may designate another qualified person to act as Church Advocate for the purpose of prosecuting such appeal other than the Church Advocate who acted in the Court of Review, when for any reason they deem it expedient to do so, and such person so designated by them shall supersede the Church Advocate who acted as such in the Court of Review, and shall immediately upon receiving such request take such appeal. As in other cases, so also for the purpose of this Canon, the accused Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon, as the case may be, and the Church Advocate, shall be deemed the opposing parties.

§ V. The party desiring and authorized to appeal, shall within thirty days after the entry of the Judgment of the Court of Review, or in case where the decision of the Trial Court stands affirmed under Section XI of Canon 29, or Section V of Canon 32, serve a notice of appeal to the Court of Appeals, upon the opposing party, and upon the President of the Court of Review, and upon the Secretary of the House of Bishops, briefly describing the judgment from which the appeal is taken and assigning the grounds of appeal. Omission to serve such notice within the time prescribed shall be deemed a waiver of the right of appeal, but the Judicial Commission may in its discretion entertain an appeal, not taken within such prescribed period if in its judgment justice shall so require. Within sixty days after the receipt of the notice of appeal, the President of the Court of Review, or, in his absence, the Clerk of such Court, shall transmit to the Presiding Bishop of the Church the notice of appeal, together with the record upon which the proceedings in the Court of Review were had, and a transcript of the judgment from which the appeal is taken, duly certified.

§ VI. It shall be the duty of the appellant within four calendar months after the notice of appeal shall have been served as aforesaid to cause a printed copy of the record, including the transcript of the judgment, certified by the President or Clerk of the Court of Review, to be served upon the opposing party and to deliver such number as shall be required for the membership of the House of printed copies thereof to the Secretary of the House of Bishops.
§ VII. It shall be the duty of the Presiding Bishop of this Church within sixty days after receiving the record on appeal, including the transcript of the judgment, to appoint a time and place for the assembling of the Judicial Commission for the consideration of the appeal and to cause notice of such hearing to be served upon each member thereof and upon the parties to the appeal, at least thirty days prior to the day appointed for the hearing thereon.

He shall also cause twenty of the printed copies of the record on appeal and transcript of the judgment to be delivered by the Secretary of the House of Bishops to the Commission, and one copy to be sent to each member of the House of Bishops entitled to sit in the Court of Appeals.

§ VIII. The Judicial Commission shall assemble at the time and place appointed by the Presiding Bishop, but may adjourn the hearing from time to time, and to such place as convenience or necessity may require. The Bishop senior by consecration among those originally appointed as members of the Commission shall be the President thereof. If at that time his appointment as Commissioner has terminated, or if he be absent or disqualified from sitting, the other members shall elect from among their number a President. Ten members shall constitute a quorum, but a number less than a quorum may adjourn from time to time until a quorum shall be secured. The death, resignation, disqualification, or refusal to serve of any member shall constitute a vacancy. The person resigning or refusing to serve shall give notice thereof to the Presiding Bishop of the Church, who shall cause the fact to be laid before the Commission at its first meeting. Vacancies may be filled by the election by the Commission of a Bishop, a Presbyter or a Layman, as the case may be, in the order made vacant, to serve until the next succeeding General Convention and until the appeal is decided. In case of the absence or disqualification of a member who has not resigned or refused to serve, it may elect another person to sit in his place on the hearing and until the decision of the appeal. It may appoint two Assessors, learned in the law, whose duty it shall be to attend during the hearing of the appeal, and, when requested by the Commission, to advise upon any matter arising.

The parties may appear and be heard in person or by counsel. The Commission shall cause a full record to be kept of its proceedings, and may appoint one or more clerks to serve during its pleasure.

§ IX. No person who has sat as a Judge in the case in a lower Court shall sit as a member of the Judicial Commission; but a Bishop who sat as a Judge in the Trial Court, in the Court of Review, or on the Judicial Commission, shall not be thereby disqualified from giving his judgment in the Court of Appeals.

A Bishop who is either the appellant or appellee shall not occupy his canonical seat in the House of Bishops, nor vote on any matters connected with the trial.

The appeal shall be heard only on the record in the Court of Review, or in the case where the decision of the Trial Court stands affirmed under Section XI of Canon 29, on the record in the Trial Court.

§ X. The Judicial Commission having examined the record, and having heard the arguments of the parties, or their counsel, and having deliberately considered the same, shall make findings as to each charge, as to which there shall be a concurrence of a majority of the
members of the Commission sitting in the case. Each member of the Commission may express in writing the grounds of his opinion. The findings of the Commission shall be reduced to writing, and be signed by the members assenting thereto. In case a majority of the Commission shall not agree upon any question, that fact shall be stated in the report of the Commission, together with the vote of the members on the division.

It shall be the duty of the Commission to notify the parties of its action, and immediately to transmit to the Secretary of the House of Bishops the record upon which the hearing was had, together with a report of its proceedings and findings in the case.

The Secretary of the House of Bishops shall lay the record and report before the House of Bishops at its next meeting.

§ XI. The House of Bishops sitting as a Court of Appeals shall determine the question presented by the record, upon considering the same together with the report of the Judicial Commission, or, if in its opinion, justice so requires, may grant a new trial. The concurrence of two-thirds of all the Bishops canonically assembled in said House and entitled to vote other than those excluded from sitting in the case as a presenter or as related to the accused by affinity or consanguinity, as in the Canons of this Church heretofore defined, shall be necessary to a decision by the Court of Appeals. If such concurrence shall not be had that fact shall be entered in the minutes of the Court and no further action shall be taken in any Canonical Court in respect to such question against the accused upon the same state of facts.

A consideration of the appeal may be had at any regular session of the House of Bishops. The adjournment of General Convention shall not prevent the House of Bishops from continuing in session as a Court of Appeals.

The Presiding Bishop of the Church, if, in his judgment, the interests of the Church demand, may convene a special session of the House of Bishops at a time and place to be appointed by him for the consideration and determination of an appeal.

The sessions of the Court of Appeals shall be private. Neither the opposing parties nor their counsel shall have the right to be heard; but the Court may by a vote of two-thirds of all members sitting on the Court, determine otherwise. If the Court shall so determine, it may summon the opposing parties or their Counsel to attend and be heard at a designated time and place.

§ XII. It shall be the duty of the Court of Appeals to reduce its decision to writing, stating therein the grounds thereof. If it should find the accused guilty upon the charges, or any of them, it shall give him an opportunity to be heard before sentence is pronounced, and to offer any matter in excuse or palliation. Thereafter the Court shall determine the sentence to be pronounced, either of deposition, suspension, or admonition, and the Presiding Bishop of the Church, or such other Bishop as the Presiding Bishop shall designate, shall at a time and place appointed by him, of which the accused shall have due notice, and in his presence, if he shall so request, pronounce sentence.

§ XIII. If the Court shall acquit the accused of all charges relating to doctrine, faith, or worship, but it appears by the record that the accused was also convicted by the Trial Court on other charges or specifications, and such conviction remains unreversed, then in the case of a Bishop the Court of Appeals shall determine and adjudge
the sentence by reason of such conviction; but in the case of a Presby- 
ter or Deacon, the Court of Appeals shall send to the Bishop and 
Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the Jurisdiction in which 
the trial was had, a certified copy of its determination, and thereafter 
sentence shall be pronounced as provided in Section III of Canon 40.

§ XIV. The House of Bishops shall keep a record of its proceed- 
ings and shall cause the same together with the record sent to it, to 
be deposited among the archives of the House. In case of a sentence 
of deposition or suspension of a Presbyter or Deacon, the House of 
Bishops shall cause the fact to be communicated to the Bishop, or, in 
his absence, or if there be a vacancy in his office, to the Standing 
Committee or Council of Advice of every Diocese and Missionary 
District of the Church.

CANON 40.

OF SENTENCES

§ I. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted on a 
Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon, in this Church, the sentence shall 
specify on what terms and on what 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. (i.) If a Presbyter or Deacon is liable to sentence upon 
conviction by a Trial Court or upon affirmance of such conviction by 
a Court of Review, sentence shall be imposed by the Bishop of the 
jurisdiction in which the original trial of the accused was had, or in 
case such Bishop is disqualified or there be no Bishop of that jurisdic-
tion, by another Bishop by the request of its Standing Committee or 
Council of Advice, and it shall be lawful for the Bishop of the jurisdic-
tion or for such other Bishop in his discretion to pronounce a lesser 
sentence than that adjudged by the Court. The Bishop to act shall 
appoint a time and place for pronouncing such sentence and shall 
cause notice thereof in writing to be served upon the accused in the 
manner provided in Canon 28 at least thirty days before the time 
appointed.

(ii.) If a Presbyter or Deacon is liable to sentence under a judg-
ment of the Court of Appeals established by Canon 33, the sentence to 
be pronounced, the Bishop to pronounce the same and the procedure 
to be followed in connection therewith shall be as in said Canon 
provided.

[iii.] In the case of renunciation of the Ministry as provided in 
Canon 36, and in case of the abandonment of the communion of this 
Church by a Presbyter or Deacon as provided by Canon 33, sentence 
of deposition shall be pronounced and notice thereof given as in said 
Canons respectively provided.

[iiv.] If the sentence to be pronounced upon a Presbyter or Dea-
con be deposition, the Bishop acting in the matter shall pronounce 
and record the same in the presence of two or more Presbyters.

[v.] In case an accused Presbyter or Deacon 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.
After a Presbyter or Deacon shall have been convicted by a Trial Court of a crime or immorality rendering him liable to canonical sentence, the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District shall have the right to suspend him from all public ministrations. Such suspension shall 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 accused was canonically resident; 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.

§ IV. No sentence shall be pronounced until an opportunity shall have been given to the accused either on conviction or on confession 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 to pronounce the sentence.

§ V. When a Bishop is liable to sentence under a judgment of a Trial Court or under a judgment of a Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop on an appeal to said Court of Review, or under a judgment of the Court of Appeals on an appeal to the latter court, the sentence to be imposed, the Bishop to pronounce the same, and the procedure to be followed in imposing sentence shall be as provided in the several Canons governing the procedure of said Courts.

§ VI. In the case of the suspension or deposition of a Bishop it shall be the duty of the Presiding Bishop to give notice of the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary District of this Church and to the Recorder and the Secretary of the House of Bishops and to all Archbishops and Metropolitans, and all Presiding Bishops of Churches in Communion with this Church.

§ VII. A Bishop found guilty upon presentment for a crime or immorality shall not, on 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.

APPENDIX XV.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND PROGRAM

The Committee on Budget and Program, appointed to examine the Report of the National Council, presents this as the final and complete findings thereon and their Resolutions proposed to this General Convention as the result of its study of the subject through hearings held during the days the General Convention was in session.
Preliminary Statement

At previous meetings of General Convention, the Joint Committee on Budget and Program had not been appointed until after the Joint Sessions of both Houses, at which the report of the National Council was presented. As a result, this business of far-reaching importance to the welfare of the Church came before General Convention toward the close of its sessions. That the missionary work of the Church, as presented by the National Council, might receive early and careful consideration by the Convention, it had been agreed that this Committee be appointed in advance of the assembling of General Convention and, in accordance with that plan, this Committee held its initial meeting in Denver on the morning of Monday, September 14. For two days previous to the opening of Convention, the subject was under consideration, and study and hearings held at which various matters were presented by Bishops and a committee of National Council appointed for that purpose.

The Committee organized with the Bishop of Delaware as Chairman and the Rev. Dr. Karl M. Block of St. Louis as Secretary.

By the time the General Convention was organized, the Committee was ready to suggest a method of procedure as follows: That its report be presented not as a whole, but in parts, and that, following the precedent of national legislation, matters pertaining to missionary policy in administration be considered first in the House of Bishops and matters which have to do primarily with finance should originate in the House of Deputies.

In accordance with this, the proposed Amendments to Canons which had to do with the creation of a Second Vice-President and other regulations of the National Council, together with a resolution in the proposal to enter upon work in India were first considered in the House of Bishops, and the proposed Maintenance Budget for the Triennium and method of fixing the quotas first considered in the House of Deputies.

The Sub-Committee on Maintenance Budget of which the Bishop of Chicago was Chairman, presented a report in the following form:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND PROGRAM

Your Committee on Maintenance Budget begs leave to offer the following formal report together with recommendations:

We have carefully examined the proposed budget submitted by the National Council and have scrutinized in detail the various appropriations recommended therein. We are agreed that the work of the Church must not only be maintained but must go forward. We observe that the total expenditures for the work of the Church through the National Council in 1930, amounted to $3,775,862.53, although the adopted budget authorized by the last Convention was $4,224,670. It is, therefore, clear that the difference in these figures, viz., $448,807.47, provided a margin of safety. That such a margin was necessary is evident when you consider further that the total receipts from all sources exceeded the total expenditures for that year by the still narrower margin of $114,917.28.

In the budget for 1932, 1933, and 1934, there must be at least equal provision for safety, since experience has demonstrated that the expectations, in spite of the most earnest efforts throughout the Church, will in total fall short of the distributed quotas on the adopted budget.
Therefore, we can not recommend any cuts in the total proposed budget which might imperil such margin of safety.

We believe that the proposed budget submitted by the National Council expresses an attitude at once conservative and courageous, and we, therefore, offer the following resolution:

*Resolved:* The House of concurring, that the Committee on Budget and Program make the following recommendations to both houses of the General Convention:

1. We recommend the adoption of the Budget proposed by the National Council of $4,225,000 for 1932.

2. We recommend that upon the adoption of such budget the National Council be instructed, that if and when cuts in such budget become necessary after the various Dioceses have reported, regard be given to the judgment of this Convention that the work of the Church in her Continental, extra-Continental, Foreign Missionary Districts, and Aided Dioceses is of primary importance. Any necessary cuts should, if possible, be confined to administrative economies and to certain items in departmental budgets, especially in the department of publicity and more specifically by the abandonment of the publication of the "Church at Work" (a saving of $33,000 annually), and reductions in the appropriation to the Committee on Ecclesiastical and Racial Relations.

3. *Be it further Resolved:* That the National Council be hereby instructed to make appropriations to Aided Dioceses only after careful investigation of the financial resources of the Diocese and of the need of the project for which the aid is asked; and further, that such appropriation be made only after an agreement with the Bishop of said Diocese determining the scope and method of all expenditures within the appropriation, such agreement to include regular reports from the Bishop upon the development of the work for which the appropriation is used.

4. While we agree with the National Council that it is desirable to advance from year to year, nevertheless we are not prepared to recommend at this time a definite 2½% increase in the adopted budget for 1933 and 1934. We do, however, authorize the National Council to make such increases in the 1933 and 1934 budgets, within the proposed 2½%, as receipts of the previous year may seem to them to justify. In such event we assume that the necessary authorization will be given to the National Council to make the consequent adjustments in the quotas incident to such changes in the budget.

5. We question the legality of the Convention adopting a budget for the year 1935 since an intervening General Convention can not have its rights infringed upon. We do, however, approve the presentation by the Council of such a tentative budget for that year as to make it possible for the various Dioceses and Parishes to set forward their programs in advance of the General Convention of 1934.

With regard to the Advance Work Program, the Committee felt justified in asking General Convention to give instructions to the National Council and this was done under the terms of the following resolution:

*Resolved:* The House of concurring, that the advance work program for the next Triennium be approved and that the following instructions be communicated to the National Council.
1. That the items of the advance work program presented which are carried over from the last Triennium be, so far as possible, regarded as priorities.

2. That all dioceses which have completed their undertakings on the 1929-31 advance work program be dispensed from further solicitation in 1932 for the new advance work program.

3. That the National Council defer any further organized effort for the new advance work program until they are convinced that financial conditions justify that step.

**Administration Expense**

The proposed amendments to the Canons which had to do with the method of administering the work of the National Council through the creation of the office of a Second Vice-President of the National Council and the addition of a new department of Domestic Missions with an Executive Secretary in charge, were submitted to this Committee for their consideration.

The Committee was much impressed with the increased efficiency this would secure to the work of administration and the relief it would bring to the Presiding Bishop in the discharge of his great responsibilities. The Committee was unanimous in approving the plan. At the same time, in the present financial situation, it was felt that economies must be made in other directions and after consulting with the officers of the National Council, the following resolution was presented and met with favorable action:

*Resolved:* The House of concurring, that the National Council be instructed to confine the appropriations for administration costs of the Council and its Departments to a sum not to exceed the appropriations for 1929.

**Tentative Budget for 1935**

Although the Committee realized it could not legislate beyond the period of the Triennium, it asked and received permission from General Convention to have the National Council set a tentative Budget and Quotas for the year 1935, according to the terms of the following resolution:

*Resolved:* The House of concurring, that the National Council be authorized to prepare a tentative budget and program for 1935 based upon the pledges of the preceding year upon which the work of the program may be set forward in advance of the convention of 1934.

The Committee on Budget and Program would emphasize the fact that this plan of fixing the Budget for 1932 and the method of determining any increase in the Maintenance Budgets of 1933-1934 was a matter carefully considered and acted upon in both Houses and therefore becomes a mandate of General Convention, speaking through its representatives the mind of the whole Church.

**Pay as You Go Plan**

The fixing of a Maintenance Budget does not commit the Church or its National Council, to the expenditure of this amount of money. It expresses an expectation and a hope. It puts before the people of the Church what General Convention is convinced is required for the successful prosecution of its responsibilities in the spread of Christ's
Kingdom as committed to this Church at this present time. But what the National Council is permitted to contract to spend each year has been limited to the pledges made by the Diocese and Missionary Districts. This is what is known as the Pay-As-You-Go Plan. It has limited the work, but has kept the Church out of debt. Those best qualified to know, have testified, in a very convincing way, to the value of this method of procedure. The Committee recommended the continuation of this method by proposing to General Convention the same resolution which had been passed in preceding Conventions beginning with 1925, and this resolution received favorable action in both Houses:

Resolved: The House of concurring, that we recommend, in accordance with the report of the National Council:

First, that 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 program for the ensuing year; and second, that the National Council, at its first meeting of 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.

Undesignated Legacies

The Committee recommended to the Convention that the policy adopted in previous Conventions be renewed to protect the use of Undesignated Legacies and presented the subject in the form of the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved: The House of concurring, that the General Convention approves the use of undesignated legacies received by the domestic and foreign missionary society for the construction, improvement, enlargement and equipment of buildings to be used for missionary purposes, whether in missionary districts or in dioceses needing aid: the use of the sum of $25,000 for the promotion of the advance work program: for the establishment of retiring funds for church workers in the employ of the missionary society and for like purposes of a permanent character.

Fixing The Quotas

The Committee on Quotas, under the chairmanship of the Bishop of Long Island, presented its report in the following form:

"Whereas, The proposed quotas for 1932 as set forth in the General Church Program 1932-1934 reveal certain marked decreases and increases, and

"Whereas, Such marked changes tend to make the realization of the total of the quotas more difficult, and

"Whereas, It is advisable at this time to make the total of the quotas allotted as low as is consistent with safety,

"Therefore, be it Resolved: The House of concurring, that the quotas of the several dioceses and districts for 1932 are hereby fixed at the average of the quotas of the past Triennium and the proposed quotas for 1932 as set forth in the program, less approximately three percent, said three percent to be deducted from the total of quotas by adding to the expected income of the National Council the sum of $100,000 'Miscellaneous Income', thus:
"Maintenance Budget .................................................. $4,225,000
Estimated Income from United Thank Offering and
Interest on Trust Funds and Miscellaneous Income ........................................... 825,000

Total of Quotas needed to meet Budget ........................................... $3,400,000

"Resolved further: The House of concurring, that the National Council is instructed to figure the quotas for 1933 and succeeding years on the basis of the 'Current Expenses' of the last six years available, using a sliding scale of percentages, on the plan now in force."

**Current Expenses**

The following resolutions, reaffirming the action taken at the last Convention, dealing with the matter of "Current Expenses" were adopted by the Convention.

Resolved: The House of 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.

Resolved: The House of concurring, that the National Council be, and it is hereby instructed, when it makes known the 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, and that the National Council send such notices to the Bishop and Treasurer of each diocese and missionary district.

Resolved: The House of 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.
 Paid Parish Visitors.
Paid 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.

**Aided Dioceses and Missionary Districts**

The attention of the Committee was called to the discrepancies and inequalities between grants made to Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses in a public hearing during which the minutes were reviewed.
of a meeting of a joint meeting of Bishops of Continental Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses held in St. Louis in April, 1931. After hearing the story of many representatives of both of these groups, the Committee felt that the whole question should be carefully studied in the hope that the Church might adopt some statesmanlike policy with regard to its missionary work throughout the Continental United States. The Committee offered the following resolution which was ultimately adopted by both Houses of General Convention:

The committee was under the chairmanship of the Bishop of Tennessee and presented its report in the following form:

WHEREAS, There has been presented to the Committee on Program and Budget the question of the apparent disparity between both quotas and appropriations to Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses of evidently like missionary opportunities; and

WHEREAS, This committee has discovered that the matter is the concern of many and definitely worthy of careful study, but due to its tremendous scope is quite beyond definite action at this Convention;

Therefore, be it Resolved: The House of concurring, that a Joint Commission of Five Bishops, Five Presbyters and ten laymen be appointed by the Presiding Bishop and the Chairman of the House of Deputies to which shall be committed the following duties:

First, a definite and practical study of the actual missionary needs and opportunities in the several continental missionary districts, together with the present use of missionary appropriations to meet these opportunities.

Second, a definite and practical study of the local receipts and expenditures within the missionary districts, and their relation to assigned quotas and the payment of these quotas.

Third, a definite and practical study of the actual missionary needs and opportunities in the several dioceses receiving appropriations from the National Council, together with the present use of these missionary appropriations to meet these opportunities.

Fourth, a definite and practical study of the local receipts and expenditures within the Aided Dioceses with special reference to endowments, relative strength of parishes in the Dioceses and extent of territory; and their relation to assigned quotas and the payment of these quotas.

It is further suggested in order to make these studies more complete that this commission seek in each of the eight provinces, after consultation with the Bishops, the aid of a group especially well informed concerning the districts and dioceses in question.

Be it further Resolved, That the report of the above commission be submitted to the Presiding Bishop to be by him transmitted to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, at least one year prior to the General Convention of 1934 which shall study the report with especial regard to:

First, Appropriations to both Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses;

Second, Quotas for both Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses, and

Third, Other recommended economies of Diocesan Administration such as the combination or rearrangement of Districts and Dioceses.
Be it further Resolved: That the National Council be requested to provide the actual expenses of this Commission.

Religious Education

The committee under the chairmanship of the Bishop of Erie presented a report in the following form:

The work of the Department of Religious Education is being conducted with outstanding vigor and skill. Its field is a large one, covering the nurture of individuals of all ages and providing for many of the highly specialized conditions of modern life. As typical of its activities, which number more than a score, may be mentioned the Commissions on Parent Education, Child Study, Church Schools, Adult Education, Missionary Education.

But it is of the college work that we would especially speak, as exemplifying the high quality of its program. Work among students is carried on usually through the local parish. As the resources of such parishes are slender, the Department often subsidizes them, at least temporarily, and assists in the selection of the pastor.

There is no more strategic center for religious education than the College. The proportion of Episcopalians in college is four times as great as in the national population. At this critical period in life most students receive only secular instruction. Education in religion is conspicuous by its absence. At a time when life decisions are being made, which may constitute leadership for the Church, especially in the ministry, this Department is now furnishing for the first time pastoral care of a high order.

We approve the budget of the whole department, but would draw especial attention to the items in support of college work which have been very properly increased.

Retiring Fund for Missionary Bishops

From the National Council, there came before the Committee the following Resolution in the matter of the Retiring Fund for Missionary Bishops, which was finally adopted in the form presented as an Amendment to Canon 18, § VII. [v.]

Resolved: The House of concurring, That Canon 18, § VII. [v.] be hereby amended so as to read as follows:

"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, less whatever allowance such Bishop may receive, from time to time, from the Church Pension Fund. Such retiring allowance may be revised whenever such retired Bishop shall receive a regular stipend from any diocese, parish, or mission of the Church." It is understood that this measure is not retroactive.

Appeals for Aid

The Committee established the following policy in answer to a number of appeals which were presented to them at public hearings or through reference from both Houses of the Convention.

The Secretary was authorized to make the following statement to the House of Deputies:

This Convention has, by concurrent action, approved a Budget of $4,225,000. The Convention has adopted the quotas and the method of distribution of the same.
Meanwhile, in public hearings and by reference from the Houses various appeals have been made to this Committee for new appropriations not now included in the Budget and for increases in present Budget items. With regard to the former, the Committee does not feel competent to evaluate them and esteems it hazardous to a degree to imperil the Maintenance Budget.

We plan to recommend most sympathetically these moving appeals to the earnest consideration of the National Council for action insofar as their judgment and their funds will permit them to comply with these requests.

**SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS**

Pursuant to the statement made to the Houses with regard to the danger of imperiling the Maintenance Budget, the Committee felt that it was able to recommend only one increase among the items in the present budget and that was an additional $2,000 for the Commission on Evangelism. The following resolution was adopted by both Houses:

Resolved: The House of Deputies, concurring, that we strongly recommend to the National Council that the National Commission on Evangelism be granted an extra appropriation of $2,000 providing this can be done without increasing the budget.

The only other item of increase specifically recommended by the House of Deputies was on behalf of the Commission on Faith and Order. The Committee felt unable to recommend it although it expressed its sympathy and interest in the work done in the following resolution:

Your committee has considered the resolution referred to them asking for the recommendation of an increase of $2,500 per annum for the work of the Commission on Faith and Order.

Although heartily in sympathy with the work undertaken by this commission and commending the cause generously to the support of parishes and individual church workers, it finds itself unable, under the present emergency, to approve the recommendation.

Resolved: The House of Deputies, concurring, that the committee be discharged from further consideration of this subject.

**SUBSIDY OF CHURCH WEEKLIES**

The following action was taken with regard to an appeal from four Church weeklies for an emergency appropriation during the coming Triennium:

In a communication from the National Council, we have been informed that four Church weeklies, namely, The Living Church,—The Churchman,—The Witness,—and The Southern Churchman find their very existence jeopardized by the prevailing adverse financial conditions; and the National Council has transmitted to us an appeal from the editors of The Living Church and The Churchman that an emergency appropriation of from $25,000 to $50,000 be distributed among the four Church weeklies during the coming Triennium.

We have given this matter careful consideration and beg to express our grave concern over the situation as communicated to us. We believe it would be disastrous for the Church to lose the service of her Church weeklies and we call upon the clergy and laity of the Church to redouble their efforts to secure both by increased subscriptions and by generous contributions to emergency funds which may be organized by the several papers, the continuance of these important weeklies.
On ground of both economy and policy, however, we cannot recommend favorable action upon the proposed request. We, therefore, offer the following resolution:

Resolved: The House of concurring, that the financial needs of the Church weeklies be earnestly commended to the clergy and laity of the Church in the confident hope that additional subscriptions and emergency support may make the continuance of these weeklies possible; and further be it resolved, that the petition for appropriation for emergency help of these weeklies from National Council funds be not granted.

The Committee on Budget and Program can not bring its report to a close without expressing to the General Convention deep appreciation of the kind, cordial and frank treatment their recommendations have received in both Houses. Our work of planning what the Church should undertake, how much money it should seek to raise, how to apportion a fair share of that money responsibility to each Diocese and District, has been done at a time when very violent changes are taking place in property values, when Governments are faced with staggering deficits, when great demands are being made on those in possession of wealth to share with the multitude in distress. The Committee has felt the pressure of this situation and is keenly alive to all its implications. It is convinced that above all the work of the Church of Jesus Christ must go on, but has left final decisions in the hands of General Convention. The response has been of such a kind as to lighten the work of the Committee and fill us with encouragement. There has been free and fair consideration given to every decision of importance and these decisions have been reached by almost unanimous consent. It is not too much to believe that this is a real representation of the attitude of the whole Church. While it is true that these decisions constitute a mandate on every part of the Church, there is every reason to believe that it is more than a mandate in that it reflects the judgment the whole Church desires—is an echo of the voice of the Church.

Times of difficulty are times of testing. We have done great things in the past. We have faith to believe the whole Church will "thank God and take courage"; that the program suggested will be realized by the devoted determination of our people whose conviction must be strengthened by these difficult times that there is no hope beside that found in the teachings of Christ Jesus, no security and permanent peace till the nations are brought under his will and control.

"Now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end." Amen.

Respectfully submitted,

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R. REV. GEO. CRAIG STEWART,
R. REV. ERNEST MILLMORE STIERES,
R. REV. JAMES G. WARD,
REV. KARL M. BLOCK,
REV. W. APPLETON LAWRENCE,
REV. HARRY S. LANGLEY, JR.,
REV. FRANK H. NELSON,
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RAYMOND F. BARNES,
GEORGE BEGGS,
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GEORGE A. ELLIOTT,
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APPENDIX XVI

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON FAITH AND ORDER

Since the last report of your Commission, in 1928, the World Conference on Faith and Order has reached a new stage. The report in 1928, covering the meeting of the Lausanne Conference the year before, marked the end of the preliminary stage of the work initiated at the General Convention of 1910.

The popular notion that the Lausanne Conference completed the task is erroneous. The Conference was, and was declared to be, no more than "a new starting point." It charted the ground so that the Churches might know where they stood in regard to reunion. As stated at the time, its object was "to register the apparent level of fundamental agreements within the Conference and the grave points of disagreements remaining; also to suggest certain lines of thought which may in the future tend to a fuller measure of agreement. Where the reports record differences, we call the Christian world to an earnest reconsideration of the conflicting opinions now held, and a strenuous endeavor to reach the truth as it is in God's mind, which should be the foundation of the Church's unity." (Preamble to the Lausanne Reports).

One of the chief difficulties with which the Faith and Order movement has had to contend is the supposition that a single Conference would be sufficient to solve the questions which divide the Churches. Even at Lausanne many of the representatives hoped, to the end, to issue some proposal for immediate action; forgetting the wise condition under which alone the holding of the Conference had been made possible, namely, that it was "without power to legislate or to adopt resolutions." They failed to see what Bishop Brent and the other initiators of the plan saw so clearly, that such a Conference was only "the next step on the path to unity." Consequently, there was some disappointment after the Lausanne Conference adjourned, that out of its deliberations no specific plan for reunion had arisen—no agreement as to inter-communion, or exchange of ministers, or "comity" in the foreign mission field. This disappointment would have been justified if the purpose of the Conference had been to produce a scheme for unity; but that was not its purpose. It aimed only at "the clear statement and full consideration of those things in which we differ," in order that the Churches themselves might more effectively deal with the real problems which prevent reunion. This task Lausanne did, indeed, accomplish. The record of this accomplishment is in the Reports of the Conference transmitted to the Churches concerned.

Since then, interest in the movement has amazingly increased. While some groups, anxious only for immediate action on terms which they consider proper for reunion, are tending away from conference toward schemes such as federation, or toward immediate reunion with groups of similar belief and practice, many of the great Churches, which, before Lausanne, had looked on the movement with suspicion as an Anglican enterprise, have come to see the need of study and discussion before practical steps toward reunion can be possible, and are giving genuine co-operation to this end. Abundant evidence of
this is seen in the meetings of the Lausanne Continuation Committee, held every summer since the Conference; in the appointment of a representative Committee of Theologians, to study the questions involved; in the responses to the Lausanne Reports, received from the vanbun Churches concerned*; and in the increasing number of Churches which are making official appropriations toward the expenses of the movement.

The most notable evidence, however, is the decision to hold a second World Conference on Faith and Order not later than 1937. The Continuation Committee made this decision at the meeting August 26 to 29, 1930, at Mürren, Switzerland, attended by sixty-five representatives of the co-operating Churches, including six from our own Church. The action was taken after long and careful consideration of the proposal, and on the following significant grounds: "The responses from the Churches to the Reports of the Lausanne Conference of 1927 clearly indicate that, in the judgment of the Churches, the work done at Lausanne was invaluable, and that this work should be carried on."

The Mürren meeting, in other respects as well as in this action, was the most important event in the Faith and Order movement since Lausanne. It was the first meeting presided over by the new chairman, the Archbishop of York. It heard the report of the work done by the Committee of Theologians under the chairmanship of the Bishop of Gloucester on the subject of Grace. It heard a remarkable report by Dr. Zoellner on a conference of German theologians at Waldenburg on the subject of the Church in the New Testament. It discussed and prepared a first draft of topics for the next World Conference, and voted that preliminary discussions of these topics be undertaken at future meetings of the Committee. It gave practical force to its purpose to enlist the younger generation in the movement by welcoming a group of young men from Sweden, France, England, Ireland, the United States, Germany, Holland, Russia and China, who had come to Mürren to attend the meeting. In brief, it gave full evidence of the purpose of the Churches to press forward the work begun at Lausanne.

Besides these evidences of increasing interest in the Faith and Order movement, there are other significant occurrences having no official connection with the movement but showing the world-wide growth of the will to unity. Among these are the steps actually taken toward reunion in South India; the hopeful progress of plans for reunion between the Anglican Church and the Eastern Orthodox and the Old Catholic Churches; the important decisions of the Lambeth Conference of 1930; and, in the United States, many conferences on unity, as well as actual movements for reunion between a number of allied Churches, some of which have been completed since Lausanne, while others are in process of achievement.

Among all these projects of reunion, the World Conference on Faith and Order bears a distinctive character, in that it provides a forum where the difficulties in the way of unity can be frankly and fully considered, without attempting to draft schemes for unity or to commit any of the participating Churches to courses of action. This fundamental principle has been reaffirmed by the Continuation Committee as its basis of deliberation.

*These responses have been summarized and printed in pamphlet No. 64, which may be had free on application to the Secretariat, P. O. Box 226, Boston, Mass.
The relation of the Episcopal Church to the whole movement has changed since Lausanne. Up to that time, the chief responsibility for planning and arranging for the Conference rested with our Commission on Faith and Order, even though there had been in existence an International Continuation Committee ever since the Geneva meeting of 1920.

The Lausanne meeting, however, served to arouse so markedly the spirit of co-operation among all of the Churches concerned that, by mutual consent, the responsibility for future planning passed from our Commission to the Continuation Committee appointed at Lausanne. With a membership increased to one hundred and forty, that Committee now serves as the controlling and initiating body of the World Conference. Its Chairman, elected in 1929 following the death of Bishop Brent, is the Archbishop of York. Its active Committees consist of a Committee of Reference, under the Very Reverend H. N. Bate, M. A., composed of members resident in England and on the Continent; the Committee of Theologians, already mentioned; and the Business Committee, composed of members resident in North America. Its office, under the General Secretary, Mr. Ralph W. Brown, is still officially in Boston, Mass., where it was established at the time that Mr. Robert H. Gardiner was Secretary; but, more and more, the effective work is being carried on from Geneva, where the General Secretary has spent the major part of the last two years.

The relation of our own Commission on Faith and Order to the Continuation Committee, is simply that of one of many similar cooperating commissions. We furnish the link between the General Convention of the Episcopal Church and the Lausanne Continuation Committee. While your Commission represents the Faith and Order movement to the members of our Church, its more important function is to represent to the Continuation Committee those principles and beliefs which, in the mind and purpose of General Convention, are the distinctive characteristics of our Church in matters of Faith and Order.

It is hoped that what we have said will make it clear that the Faith and Order movement, since the Lausanne Conference, has made real progress, and is in a better position than ever before to explore the possible removal of those obstacles which still block the way to unity. Nevertheless, this present stage of study is less spectacular, less appealing to the popular imagination, than the stage of making practical arrangements for the gathering of the World Conference. No mass meetings and speeches to arouse enthusiasm are needed, but quiet and persistent study. For this study, the Continuation Committee must depend upon the Commissions appointed by the Churches.

**THE WORK OF THE COMMISSION ON FAITH AND ORDER, 1928-1931**

Your Commission has had a two-fold task:

1. On behalf of the Episcopal Church, to study the Reports of the Lausanne Conference and prepare recommendations to assist General Convention as to the response that this Church should make;

2. In co-operation with the Continuation Committee, to see that this Church was adequately represented at the Continuation Committee meetings, to advise on questions referred to us, and to spread knowledge of the movement among our own Church people.

The Commission has held five meetings since the General Convention in 1928.

We report, with sorrow, the great loss sustained in the death of Bishop Brent, on March 27, 1929, at Lausanne, Switzerland. The death of Bishop Anderson and of Bishop Hall, two of the foremost leaders...
in the work of our Commission during its early years, was also a
great loss. Further, the continued illness of the Treasurer, Mr. George
Zabriskie, during the last two years, has deprived the Commission of
the wise counsel of one who, with Bishop Brent and Mr. Gardiner,
was from the first a leader of the movement.

The Commission has elected additional members, as follows:
The Right Reverend G. Ashton Oldham,
The Right Reverend Warren L. Rogers,
The Reverend Charles Clingman,
Mr. Robert S. Barrett,
Major Robert H. Gardiner.

The Commission has accepted the resignation of Mr. Gardner K.
Byers, and consists, at present, of 15 Bishops, 9 Presbyters, and 8
laymen.

Your Commission has arranged for adequate representation from
this Church at the meetings of the Continuation Committee. At
Prague, in 1928, those present were the Reverend B. Talbot Rogers
and Mr. Ralph W. Brown. At Maloja, in 1929, the Reverend H. E. W.
Fosbroke, the Reverend Henry B. Washburn, the Reverend Frank
Gavin, the Reverend Floyd W. Tomkins, Jr., and Mr. Ralph W. Brown.
At Mürren, in 1930, the Right Reverend James DeWolf Perry, the
Right Reverend Edward L. Parsons, the Right Reverend G. Ashton
Oldham, the Right Reverend Warren L. Rogers, the Reverend Frank
Gavin, and Mr. Ralph W. Brown.

The present representatives of the Episcopal Church on the Con-
tinuation Committee are:
The Right Reverend James DeWolf Perry,
The Right Reverend William T. Manning,
The Right Reverend Edward L. Parsons,
The Reverend Frank Gavin,
The Reverend Floyd W. Tomkins, Jr.,
Mr. George Zabriskie, Treasurer,
Mr. Ralph W. Brown, General Secretary,
Mrs. Edwin Allen Stebbins.

These members serve by appointment of the Continuation Com-
mitee itself. The Reverend Frank Gavin is a member of the Com-
mitee of Theologians appointed at Mürren.

RECOMMENDATIONS

The matter of chief importance referred to your Commission was
the consideration of the Reports of the Lausanne Conference, and the
recommendation of such action in regard to these Reports as, in the
opinion of your Commission, might suitably be taken by General
Convention. In this work, your Commission has had the assistance of
the special Committee of Theologians, appointed by the direction of
the last Convention, to assist the Commission in the study of the
Reports. The members of this Committee are:
The Right Reverend Philip M. Rhinelander,
The Reverend C. B. Wilmer, Chairman,
The Reverend Robert S. Chalmers,
The Reverend Angus Dun,
The Reverend Frank Gavin,
The Reverend Frederick C. Grant,
The Reverend Marshall B. Stewart.

This Committee gave special study to the Reports with regard to
their consistency with the standards of this Church, and they have
Your Commission recommends the following resolutions for adoption by the General Convention:

(1) Resolved, that this Convention transmit to the Continuation Committee the findings on the Lausanne Reports prepared by the Commission on Faith and Order, recommending further study on the

*The full report is printed herewith as an appendix.
points therein suggested. In thus replying officially to the Reports, the Convention desires again to express thankfulness for the achievement which these Reports represent in making clear the present state of agreement among the Churches and the grave points of disagreement which still remain.

(2) Resolved, That this Convention heartily endorses the proposal of the Continuation Committee to hold a second World Conference on Faith and Order not later than 1931, and assures the Committee of full co-operation in this continuation of the work begun at Lausanne.

(3) Resolved, That the Commission on Faith and Order be continued, with power to elect additional members.

(4) Resolved, That the sum of $5,000 per annum for three years be added to the budget for the work of the Commission on Faith and Order.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO STUDY THE LAUSANNE REPORTS AS TO THEIR CONSISTENCY WITH THE STANDARDS OF THIS CHURCH

TO THE COMMISSION ON FAITH AND ORDER:

Your special committee appointed, under instruction of General Convention, for the purpose of assisting the Commission to consider and report to the next General Convention on the Lausanne Reports, have given special study to those Reports in response to the Commission's request, embodied in the resolution of April 4, 1929, "to report to this Commission their expert judgment as to the consistency of the Lausanne Reports with the standards of this Church," and herewith submit our opinion. We have assumed that by "the standards of this Church," for the present purpose, the Commission intends the Book of Common Prayer and the XXXIX Articles of Religion.

PREAMBLE, AND REPORT I, The Call to Unity.

Nothing in the Preamble or in Report I is inconsistent with the standards of this Church.


The Report of Section II, in our judgment, can be accepted as being consistent with the standards of this Church.

REPORT III, The Nature of the Church.

While there is nothing in Report III which in terms contradicts the standards of this Church, a very serious deficiency appears in the omission of reference to Baptism as the means of initiation into the Church, and to the Church as the community of all baptized people, including children; both of which points are prominent in our formularies. Also it should be noted that in the list of characteristics distinguishing the Church since the days of the Apostles, the second point, "The profession of faith in God as He is incarnate and revealed in Christ," makes no mention of the Holy Spirit.

REPORT IV, The Church's Common Confession of Faith.

Report IV is entirely consistent with the standards of this Church.

REPORT V, The Ministry of the Church.

Report V requires detailed consideration. It falls into three parts, exclusive of the Notes: (1) five propositions agreed to regarding the
ministry; (2) three paragraphs of statements of historic fact ("Within the many Christian communions into which . . . find the lack of unity a very serious obstacle to the furtherance of the Gospel"), ending with a statement of the principle on which unity must be based ("a ministry acknowledged in every part of the Church as possessing the sanction of the whole Church"); (3) suggestions as to possible church organization.

(1) With regard to the five propositions, there is nothing in them contradictory to the standards of this Church.

(2) The first sentence of the next part, "Within the many Christian communions into which in the course of history Christendom has been divided, various forms of ministry have grown up according to the circumstances of the several communions and their beliefs as to the mind of Christ and the guidance of the New Testament," would seem to express inadequately the position of this Church, "that from the Apostles' time there have been these orders of ministers," etc. This inadequacy would be removed by substituting for the words, "into which in the course of history Christendom has been divided," the words, "into which since the sixteenth century Christendom has been divided."

Also, with reference to the closing sentence of this part of the Report, "the provision of a ministry acknowledged in every part of the Church as possessing the sanction of the whole Church," we would stress that the Episcopate has been treasured by our Communion as the ordaining organ through which, for 1500 years, the universal Church provided for "a ministry acknowledged in every part of the Church as possessing the sanction of the whole Church," and, as such, episcopal ordination is seen by us as a guarantee of unity with reference to the ministry.

(3) The suggestion that the Episcopate, the Councils of Presbyters, and the Congregation of the faithful should each have appropriate place in the order of life of a reunited Church, is one which this Church can cordially welcome, inasmuch as under the providence of God our own constitutional system has made place deliberately not only for the Episcopate but also for the Councils of Presbyters and for the voice of the laity through their congregations and in ecclesiastical conventions.

REPORT VI, The Sacraments.

Among the matters agreed upon in Report VI, none is contrary to the standards of this Church, some being in close agreement with our formularies, others being devotional and theological expressions that have become generally acceptable and popular among us as consonant with our authorized statements. All these propositions are familiar to us in the context of our prescribed ways of belief and worship. They are also acceptable to others in very different contexts, and therefore with very different meanings. Your Committee believe that this aspect of the matter is very important.

In the fifth paragraph there is a statement of divergent views as to the number of the Sacraments, viz., (1) that there are seven Sacraments, (2) that only Baptism and the Lord's Supper are Sacraments, and (3) that the sacramental principle is valuable without use of the outward signs of Sacraments. None of these, as stated, exactly represents the position of this Church, which draws a distinction between the "two Sacraments ordained of Christ our Lord in the Gospel," and
"those five commonly called Sacraments" for whose observance provision is made in the Book of Common Prayer.


Section I. Contains nothing inconsistent with the standards of this Church.

Section II. This section is not inconsistent with the standards of this Church if taken in connection with what has been previously agreed to in Reports IV, V and VI.

Sections III, IV, V and VI. The proposals in these sections are not inconsistent with our standards, and are heartily to be commended.

In conclusion, your Committee wish to express their appreciation of the large measure of unanimity achieved and expressed by these Reports, covering as they do so wide a range of subjects. We have been impressed with the extent to which they accord with the standards of our own Communion. The most serious criticism to be made of the Reports is that the general terms in which they are phrased so often conceal important ambiguities and differences, which must be clarified and considered before we have achieved the understanding on which a stable union can be based. On many of these issues our own Communion is neither clear nor unified. We consider that one of the most important contributions that can be made to reunion is a continued consideration of the differences which separate us, as seen against the background of our agreements, with a view to clarifying these issues and seeking constructive suggestions for reconciliation.

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# Treasurer's Report

**September 1, 1928, to June 30, 1931.**

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## June 30, 1931, Cash Balance in United States

Trust Company

**$6,835.67**

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*25,000 from 1930 and $2,500 for 1931 in advance.*

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*By S. L. Hollister, Assistant Comptroller.*
APPENDIX XVII.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO CONSIDER NATIONAL AND WORLD PROBLEMS

The Joint Committee appointed to consider National and World Problems submits the following findings and conclusions for the consideration of General Convention and as an expression of what we believe should be the reasoned conviction of this Church:

I. INDUSTRIAL DISLOCATION

The voice said, "Cry," and he said, "What shall I cry?" To the insistent calls for leadership in these perplexing times there has been silence. Business men have frankly said that wisdom is not with them; economists have brought knowledge from the past but have shed little light on the present and Statesmen have acknowledged that their programs have proved inadequate and they do not know what next to do. When our human wisdom fails, we of the Church will go to God in full confidence that he is the source of all wisdom and strength. Our first call to our fellow churchmen and fellow citizens is a call to prayer.

When we arise from our knees the problem must be rendered clearer to our vision. Three courses present themselves:

First:—To do nothing. This course is sincerely advocated by religious men who give reasons for it: especially the reasons of our human frailty and ignorance and the fear that whatever we may attempt to suggest will be found inadequate and may bring discredit upon the Church. But we cannot forget that the Priest and the Levite "passed by on the other side." No plan which any man can suggest will be free from criticism. But he who commended the Good Samaritan, we believe, wills to have his church do something on the road of the world's life where multitudes are wounded in spirit and bruised in body.

As we meet in this Triennial Convention our Country faces the third successive winter of unemployment. It is a prospect we cannot contemplate without grave forebodings. For many of our people this approaching winter can mean nothing less than destitution, utter distress and despair. Their savings are depleted; their credit exhausted; they must rely on private and public charity lest they and their families starve. And yet, side by side with such misery and idleness there are warehouses bursting with goods which cannot be bought, elevators full of wheat while bread-lines haunt our cities; carefully protected machinery lying idle while jobless men throng our streets; and money in abundance in the banks, available at low rates. With such widespread want in a land of plenty our economists are agreed that whatever other causes may be responsible for the depression, the high productivity of the modern machine demands a more equitable distribution of income. Our economic order has moved forward without reference to any well-conceived or socially useful plan and without proper ethical and religious sanctions. The United States and the World are confronted today by a social crisis of the first magnitude.

The second course is to recognize that the most disturbing fact in the situation that confronts us at present is that men who are able to
work, who are competent workers, who above all things desire to work, cannot find work to do. Men are justified in believing that the community owes them—not a living, but a chance, through work, to live with self-respect. That industry must provide this opportunity, or failing that provide some substitute, is the growing conviction of every man who has given thought to what is taking place. Industry exists for serving the needs of the people. When men starve because they produce too much food, or go naked because they produce too many clothes, or sleep in the parks because they build too many houses, a way-faring man, though a fool, can see that something is wrong in our social structure. As Christians we assert in the language of a justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, that "the right to regularity in employment is co-equal with the right to regularity in the payment of rent, in the payment of interest on bonds, in the delivery to customers of the high quality of products contracted for. No business is successfully conducted which does not perform fully the obligations incident to each of these rights. Each of these obligations is equally a fixed charge. No dividend should be paid unless each of these fixed charges has been met. The reserve to insure regularity of employment is as imperative as the reserve for depreciation; and it is equally a part of the fixed charges to make the annual contribution to that reserve. No business is socially solvent which cannot do so."

The third course is to place upon the community the responsibility for the formulation and execution of a definite plan. This is no time for the Church to give utterance to generalities which are so self-evidently true as not to need stating at all; or, are so indefinite as not to be practically useful. The community, and certainly the people of Christ, do not need to be told to feed the hungry, clothe the naked and bind up the wounds of the bruised; that will be done both in self-defense and because we are our brothers' keepers. We should all give to the point of real sacrifice. What the community needs and is seeking is the prevention of the recurrence of unemployment on such world-wide scale as that of today. Production and consumption can be so coordinated as to remove fear from the minds of the workers as to continuity of employment; as to their surviving dependents in case of death; and as to their old age. And this can be done without the loss of the benefits of individual originality, initiative and enterprise. Enlightened management has been able, without compulsion, and without state aid, and in some cases jointly with the trades unions, to provide security of income for workers by setting aside reserves, to be drawn upon during periods of depression.

There are two methods of providing security for the workers, one voluntary, the other compulsory. There is a growing agreement that the principle of building up reserves to maintain incomes during depression be applied to labor as well as to capital. But there is wide disagreement in regard to the choice of method. We do not undertake to say that one method is right and the other is wrong; equally conscientious and intelligent men will disagree as to the method. But as Christians, our concern should be primarily for the forgotten man; the man in the smaller industries, on the farm, and the migratory worker who is in the forests today, and tomorrow is in the wheat field or the orchard. The strong labor unions are proving their value to their members, the progressive corporations are increasingly stabilizing employment for their men and women; but both these unions and corporations touch, as yet, but a small per cent of the working
people of our country. By September a year ago all plans of unem­ployment insurance, union, employer and joint, included approxi­mately two hundred thousand workers, or less than one per cent of the workers who would be normally eligible for such protection. We want no privileged group in America. If, as was the case of compensa­tion insurance for injuries, the compulsion of the government is found necessary, then we advocate the method of legal compulsion.

“We are members one of another. If one member suffers, all the members suffer with him. If one member is honored, all the members rejoice with him.” We are all bound together for better, for worse; for richer, for poorer. The people of the world are one great family, and the nations must learn to cooperate for the common good. We are become so intricately interdependent that there is no permanent security or permanent prosperity except in the common security and the common prosperity. In a new and impressive sense “there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free: for ye all are one in Christ Jesus.” And within our own nation, the same principle applies. The Nation is secure and prosperous as all share in the security and prosperity, as all have like freedom of economic oppor­tunity. It is becoming increasingly evident that the conception of society as made up of autonomous, independent individuals, each free to seek his own ends, is as faulty from the point of view of economic realism as it is from the standpoint of Christian idealism. Our tradi­tional philosophy of rugged individualism must be modified to meet the needs of a cooperative age.

Such are the three courses now open to us: first, to do nothing,— a course we mention only to reject as unworthy of Christians; second, to recognize the security of the downmost man; third, to suggest a definite plan. The second we emphasize as a supreme ethical task of our day; the third we commend to the intelligence and the conscience of the Church and the community.

II. LAWLESSNESS AND KINDRED TOPICS

As present world conditions challenge the economic and industrial system, so the reign of lawlessness threatens the social order and is a serious call to the individual to consider his social responsibility as above all personal rights or privileges.

Within the past decade there has been an alarming increase of lawlessness in the Nation. The picture is too familiar to call for re­production here. Political corruption, widespread and defiant, has, until recently, aroused hardly more than a feeble public interest, with­out real concern, much less stern indignation. Racketeering has in­creased, without serious challenge. The enforcement of the Prohibi­tion law has been steadily resisted, and has been accompanied by graft, corruption, lawlessness, murder, and political cowardice and hypocrisy.

The present serious conditions are in part an aftermath of the World War, with its inevitable moral breakdown. They are partly the result of the spiritual recession which accompanies any era of great prosperity. A long period of luxury and extravagance has created a craving for sense stimulation which finds its outlet not simply through disregard for law, but in defiance of all social conventions. Inordinate and unrestrained self-will threatens the discipline of the home, and is destroying the permanence of the family.
APPENDIX XVII

Worst of all, those from whom we may rightly demand help in such a crisis, the very group which most desires the protection of law for the safeguarding of position and property, have lost, in great measure, the sense of social responsibility in maintaining and supporting public order. Racketeering in all its forms, for example, would cease if such citizens had the courage to refuse to purchase special privilege. Bootlegging would no longer be profitable were wealthy purchasers less generous in support of the traffic.

Lawlessness, however, issues in part out of conditions which have not always been given full consideration, such as the enactment of laws, or the failure to repeal laws, which do not command or continue to enlist public confidence, and have lost the respect and support of a majority of the people. This increases the disposition of individuals to ignore or violate laws designed to improve the social order, solely because such laws affect personal rights and liberties which individuals themselves determine to maintain regardless of social consequences.

Candor compels recognition, on the part of all Christian people, of the fact that much of the lawlessness so prevalent today arises now, as in the past, in connection with the necessity of control of the liquor traffic, although it is a distorted view of conditions which lay at the door of the Prohibition law too large a responsibility for the evils of lawlessness. The passage of the Eighteenth Amendment was attended with high hopes for moral reform and social betterment, and it is now generally recognized that the law has benefited society by abolishing the saloon, which we are convinced has actually been definitely and permanently repudiated.

There is, nevertheless, widespread and honest difference of opinion, in the Nation, within this Church, and among the members of this Convention, as to the wisdom and desirability of retaining the Eighteenth Amendment and the consequent legislation in their present form.

There are those who honestly favor the retention of the law as it now stands, believing that it has accomplished great good, and may accomplish more and better results.

Others, not less devoted to the high purpose which prompted the passage of this law, believe that in its present form it ministers to disrespect for law, and to the growth of a dangerous spirit of anarchy. They feel that social reform legislation is apt to ignore certain obvious facts. Law, to be effectively enforced, must be based upon the reasoned convictions of a reasonable majority of the citizens. Eager advocates of reform do not give full consideration to the social habits of the several communities and to the problem of quickly changing such habits by law. Those who so think would advocate modification or repeal. Upon such advocates for modification or repeal rests very clearly a two-fold responsibility, namely, first, to sustain the law as long as it remains the law of the land, and second, in advocating its repeal, to present some adequate substitute which will enlist the confidence and support of the people.

Christian charity demands that we should respect the sincere convictions of those who may hold an opinion in this matter contrary to our own, whatever our own opinion may be. The loyalty of Christian people should be to the principles involved, rather than to any particular method in which expression of the principles may be given.
It would not be the part of wisdom to ask the Church, in its corporate capacity, to pass upon questions of method thus involved in issues which in their nature are highly controversial and closely related to partisan politics. Churchmen may, however, urge a serious effort to provide for an intelligent discussion of the questions involved and an attempt to discover the sober, informed and deliberate opinion of the people of the nation.

The Church has, moreover, a further clear duty, namely to lift its own members through Christ, above the necessity of restraint by law, and to make them willing to control self-indulgence, not alone for their personal good, but also for the social good. This will mean a return to education in temperance as in other moral questions. The proponents of the present system have been too prone to believe that having achieved the passage of the law, their task has been completed. Finding assurance of their hopes in the enactment of a law, they have lamentably neglected the continuous education and training which had so quickened the conscience and influenced the conduct of a former generation. The opponents of the law, on the other hand, have failed to emphasize the necessity of discipline and self-control, more especially as a social duty in consideration for the welfare of others and the good of the community.

Over-emphasis on individualism and false ideas of freedom leave selfishness unashamed. In this matter, as in the problems of industry and business, "the lack of an intelligent understanding and effective practice of the Christian doctrine of universal brotherhood is the basic evil which the Church must combat with all its energy."

In connection with the whole problem of lawlessness, in its various manifestations, it must be recognized that there has always been a tendency in America to an over-individualism which pays little or no regard to authority. As a pioneer people, and then as a democracy, we have too often interpreted liberty as meaning that every man is free to do that which is right in his own eyes. Essentially, a democracy is the political expression of the spirit of human brotherhood. It ought, therefore to mean, always, a development of the sense of social and community responsibility and duty.

We have all but forgotten this. The liberty which was secured for this Nation, through the devotion and sacrifice of our fathers, has been allowed in too many ways to degenerate into license. We need Christian leadership in a return to the principles upon which our national liberties were established, and it is the clear duty of all those who are devoted to these principles to enlist in an effort to put down lawlessness of every sort, and by their own conduct, aid in removing the causes out of which it arises.

The Church, therefore, urges all of its members to devote themselves to this effort with earnest prayer and persistent purpose.

III. WORLD PEACE

"The Kingdom of God is peace." As stated by the last Lambeth Conference: "War, as a method of settling international disputes, is incompatible with the teaching and example of Our Lord Jesus Christ. We believe that as the Christian conscience has condemned infanticide and slavery and torture, it is now called to condemn war as an outrage on the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of all mankind."
We rejoice that fifty-eight nations, including our own, have given vigorous and definite expression to these same principles in the Kellogg-Briand Pact which reads as follows:

"I. The High Contracting Parties solemnly declare in the names of their respective peoples that they condemn recourse to war for the solution of international controversies, and renounce it as an instrument of national policy in their relations with one another. II. The High Contracting Parties agree that the settlement of all disputes or conflicts of whatever nature or of whatever origin they may be, which may arise among them shall never be sought except by pacific means."

Language could scarce be more clear or far reaching, yet its influence on national policies to date has been disappointing and far below its possibilities. We, therefore, appeal to our Country to base its policies upon this Pact, now part of the highest law of our land, pledging that we ourselves will wholeheartedly support our government in keeping its solemn pledge to settle all controversies only by pacific means.

Pacts and pledges, however, are not enough. If we are to combat the war-spirit, we must try to attack it at its source. The real causes of any war lie further back than the particular dispute or incident that sets a spark to the inflammable material that has often been accumulating for years. Among these causes the following seem to us of special importance.

The first of these is a narrow and aggressive Nationalism which ignores the rights of other nations in the determination to assert its own. Nations exist by the Will of God, not for self-aggrandizement, but for service, and their true honor lies not in the extent to which they can impose their yoke on other nations, but on the value of their contribution to the moral and spiritual ideals of the world.

The second—and perhaps the most potent—cause of war is the fear that is the outcome of distrust. We must convince the peoples of the world that the risk involved in trusting one another is far less grave than the inevitable consequences of mutual distrust. A most remarkable illustration of the value of mutual trust is afforded by the undefended frontier of nearly four thousand miles between Canada and the United States.

A third possible cause of war lies in economic competition and especially in the competition for control of the raw materials of industry. Commerce ought to be and often is a bond of union between nations, but unrestricted competition, and excessive trade barriers may be causes of war. The chief corrective of this danger lies in the recognition of the economic interdependence of nations in the modern world.

A fourth cause, or at least occasion, of war is to be found in excessive armaments, which arouse fears and suspicion and can never insure safety. The world today is spending close to five billion dollars annually while our own annual expenditures are upward of 700 million, the greatest of any single nation. Such a policy ill accords with the Kellogg Pact or with the promises of the Allied Nations to Germany in the treaty of Versailles. Moreover it is fraught with grave danger to the peace of the world. Surely it is high time we tried some other way. Instead of proceeding on the illogical maxim "In time of peace prepare for war" we might better follow the principle enunciated in the inscription on the gold pen presented to Mr. Kellogg when he signed the Peace Pact—"Si vis pacem, para pacem"—"If you wish
peace, prepare for peace." Peace will never come without preparation, effort, risk and sacrifice.

The coming Disarmament Conference presents the greatest opportunity of our time. On its decisions will depend the course of the world for years or generations to come. As Christians we cannot view our country's participation with indifference and we call upon all Christian people by prayer and effort to do their utmost to encourage our Government to use its mighty influence even at the cost of risk and sacrifice, to secure immediate substantial reduction of armament and so seize this great opportunity to set forward the peace of the world.

But disarmament alone is not enough. Nations as individuals will continue to have their serious differences and if they are not to be settled by war, we must provide some other method. Just as between our several states differences are settled by judicial processes, so must it be between nations if we are ever to have an ordered and peaceful world. International cooperation and organization are essential. We rejoice to note the increasing part our Nation is taking in world councils and firmly believe that, with advantage to ourselves as well as to other nations, we could extend the field of such cooperation. We believe the time has come for a serious reconsideration of our relation to the League of Nations free from questions of partisanship or party politics. In particular, we believe that it is time we assumed membership in the World Court as an evidence of the sincerity of our desire for world peace and as the contribution of a great and powerful Nation to the stabilization of the world.

Be it Resolved: That the foregoing statement be submitted for the careful consideration of our fellow Churchmen, and

Be it further Resolved: That this Convention request the churches throughout the country to set apart Sunday, November 8, 1931, being the Sunday nearest Armistice Day, as a day of prayer and penitence, to be observed in such manner as the Bishops of the several dioceses and missionary districts may approve, to the end that all the people of this Church may assemble to invoke God's mercy, to pray for His forgiveness, and to ask His guidance that this nation under God may speedily be restored to the wholesome ways of peace and happiness, of sobriety and Christian practice and obedience to His divine will.

Be it further Resolved: That, in concert with the Communions which have been in conference with us, we respectfully request the President of the United States to designate Sunday, November Eighth, and Saturday, November Seventh, as a time of prayer for all the people.

RT. REV. JAMES E. FREEMAN, Chairman
REV. WILLIAM A. GOODWIN, Secretary

RT. REV. BENJAMIN BREWSTER
RT. REV. CHARLES FISKE
RT. REV. G. ASHTON OLDHAM
RT. REV. EDWARD L. PARSONS
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REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS ON THE QUESTION OF THE TRANSLATION OF BISHOPS

The Committee appointed on resolution of the Bishop of California, at the meeting of the House of Bishops in Atlantic City in October, 1929, to consider the whole matter of the translation of Bishops, begs to present the following report:

On appointment the Committee met and organized by the election of the Bishop of Vermont (Dr. Hall) as Chairman and the Bishop of Alabama as Secretary. In February, 1930, Bishop Hall died, and at the meeting of the House of Bishops held in Chicago in March, the Bishop of Minnesota was appointed to the Committee in his place. The Committee met in July, 1930, in London and elected the Bishop of California as Chairman.

1. The status of the matter of translation of diocesan bishops in this Church may be briefly summarized. No action was taken to provide for such in the first Constitution and Canons; apparently sentiment was against it. The relative equality of dioceses and the relative independence of the several states with which they were co-terminous gave the question no practical importance. The ancient Nicene canon and others, with the traditional conception of the bishop's relation to his diocese as a marriage, created great opposition to a bishop's resignation, a question that was of course involved in that of translation; and in 1844 a canon was passed prohibiting a resigned bishop from accepting any other diocese. This canon which then clearly indicated the mind of the Church on translation was omitted in the revision of 1904. In 1913 the Bishop of Western Michigan (Dr. McCormick) offered a resolution in the House of Bishops making Diocesans and Coadjutors eligible for other dioceses. This was referred to a Special Committee appointed to consider various matters concerning the status, votes, etc., of bishops. The Committee reported unfavorably in 1916; no reasons were given. In 1928 the matter came before the House of Bishops again through the nomination of a diocesan bishop for a vacant missionary district. The attempt to determine the mind of the House, however, failed at that time. The matter was left undecided and led to the appointment of this Committee.

2. The Committee now recommends that action be taken which will make it clear that this Church desires to put no unnecessary obstacles in the way of such translation. In coming to this conclusion the Committee has considered first Catholic and Anglican precedent, in the study of which they have received special help from the Reverend Professors Ayres, Rollins and Zabriskie, to whom they desire to express their thanks. The feeling in the ancient Church was against the removal of a bishop from one diocese to another. This was made clear in the well known Nicene canon (which included priests and deacons as well) and in others. But these canons registered a sentiment rather than a rule. That sentiment applied to priests and deacons as well as to bishops. The Church felt the importance of stability. It desired to put obstacles in the way of place-hunting and to emphasize the sacredness of the relation of clergy and people. But as
a rigid rule the sentiment could not be enforced, as it never had been. The Apostolic Canons recognized the legitimacy, under certain circumstances, of change of see. In the Middle Ages translation became a matter of course, although for a long time the practice and position of Rome were against it. In England since the Reformation the practice of translation continued without question. Since Parker, every Archbishop of Canterbury has reached that see through translation. Most of the other great sees are held by men who began their episcopate elsewhere.

In every other part of the Anglican Communion the same practice prevails. This practice in other parts of the Anglican Communion is important, because outside of England and the sees directly dependent upon Canterbury the bishops are elected, as with us. The Committee believes we should fall into line with Anglican and Catholic precedent. The primary reason is that which forced the Church in the early centuries to violate in practice its theory, namely, the importance to the Church of using its clergy at the points where they can serve best. In approving in general of the desirability of long pastorates, we do not mean that the clergy should never move; ecclesiastical strategy requires that they should. What is true of other clergy is true, although of course in less degree, of bishops.

From time to time there are cases of men chosen in their comparative youth to small dioceses, who may find there a training well fitting them for service in some of the great strategic centers of Church life. The translation of missionary bishops has in a number of cases served this end.

Again, there are times when, for reasons of family, health and the like, a bishop may most reasonably welcome the opportunity of another field. That such an opportunity will not often occur is no reason why we should prevent its being taken when it does occur.

In the same way it is possible that a bishop who does not fit one particular type of work would do admirably in another. It would be rare that a change would be effected under such circumstances, but if it were made possible it might relieve more than one strained situation.

There are two general objections to the practice of translation. It is felt that the permanence of the bishop's tenure brings a stability much needed under modern American conditions, when not only the population as a whole but the clergy also are so migratory. Your Committee recognizes the weight of this consideration, but believes that translation by election would be so infrequent, in any case, as in no way to disturb the normal permanency of tenure.

The second objection is that there would be restlessness among the bishops, that politics would be played, and the like. The possible translation of missionary bishops has certainly raised no such problems. Your Committee believes that the bishops of the Church as a class can be trusted absolutely on such matters, and that no bishop is more likely to seek translation for personal ambition than he would as a priest have sought the episcopate.

Finally, the Committee would note that the possibility of translation under certain circumstances will tend to make acceptance of an election to the episcopate easier for many of our ablest young men, who hesitate about acceptance at too early an age of responsibility from which, short of retirement, there can be no change.

3. Turning now to the question of what action should be taken, if any, your Committee is satisfied that there is now no constitutional
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or canonical bar to the election of a bishop or bishop coadjutor to another diocese or missionary district. The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution so reported in 1928. If, however, any diocese made such an election, it would under the present canonical provisions be necessary for the bishop so elected to resign his present see before he could assume the new position. Resignation requires a meeting of the House of Bishops and corporate action. This would be an exceedingly clumsy method, and simply throws back the question to where it was before, “Do we or do we not desire to open the way to translation?” It seems important that General Convention itself should determine whether or not this Church desires to change its traditional practice. Furthermore the clumsy process of resignation when a bishop desires to surrender his Episcopal responsibilities is quite unnecessary when he is merely transferring his work to another field. In the case of missionary bishops we have provided a method by which the resignation and the confirmation of the new position are treated as one. The Committee therefore proposes an amendment to Article II of the Constitution which will bring the whole matter before General Convention on its merits, and without any of the confusion which might easily arise if there is discussion of method at the same time, together with an excepting clause to be added to the section on resignation.

They offer also as canonical legislation in case the Constitutional Amendment is adopted, the insertion of two new sections to Canon 14, conforming the procedure in the case of the election of a diocesan bishop to that in the case of a missionary bishop.


MINORITY REPORT

As a member of the Committee appointed to consider the question of the Translation of Bishops, I beg respectfully to present to the House of Bishops the following Minority Report:

Quite unavoidably this question has not, I think, at present received the consideration by your Committee as a whole which its grave importance demands. There has been no meeting of the Committee with a full attendance of the members, and at no meeting has there been opportunity for any full discussion of the question.

The considerations in regard to this question which I feel it my duty to present to the House of Bishops are as follows:

1. The one permanent and stable factor in the life of our Church at present is the Bishop. In our land both the clergy and the laity are more migratory than in England.

2. The fact that with us the relation of the Bishop to his diocese is regarded as a life relationship has helped greatly to maintain the sacredness, dignity and responsibility of the Bishop’s office, and has strengthened him greatly in his work. It places on the Bishop proper responsibility for his plans and policies, as he is committed to them for life and must see them through.

3. Departure from our present system would have a weakening, disturbing, and unsettling effect on the whole life of the Church. Each
time one of the larger dioceses became vacant there would be specula-
tion and uncertainty in other dioceses as to whether their Bishops
might be elected. The possibility of such change would not only be
in the mind of the Bishop but also in the minds of the people, with
consequences not helpful to the life and work of the Church. We have
had illustrations in our Missionary Districts of the weakening effect
which the possibility of change may have upon the relation between
the Bishop and his clergy and people. A Bishop's truest work can
be done when it is felt that he is committed to his people so long as
life, or health, shall last.

4. It is not likely that this possibility of change of diocese would
give much relief in the case of a Bishop who has proved to be a misfit.
The Bishop who is a misfit would be the least likely to be called to
another diocese. The proper course for a Bishop who is unmistakably
a misfit is to resign, in which case any diocese that wished to do so
could elect him.

5. The fact that Translation of Bishops takes place in England
has little bearing upon our case even if it is really desirable and for
the best there. (1) The conditions of Church life are quite different
in England and in our land. (2) The whole system of appointments
to Bishoprics in England is so different from our system that there is
little if any analogy. Objectionable as is the English system of appoint­
ments it probably escapes some of the features of possible Transla­
tion which might be most unfortunate and harmful under our demo­
cratic conditions.

6. Instead of favoring action which would tend to weaken the
relation of the Diocesan Bishop to his diocese, my belief is that it
would make for stability and spiritual strength if our Missionary
Bishops should commit themselves for life to their fields. As an illus­
tration of this I would cite the spiritual power and influence which
his steadfast determination to give his whole life to his Missionary
field has given to Bishop Rowe.

In my judgment we should think long and earnestly, and should be
very fully convinced of the necessity of a change, before we depart
from a principle which has been adhered to throughout the whole life
of our Church in this land, and which has played so great a part in
the life of our Church as has the sacred and life-long relationship be­
tween a Bishop and his Diocese.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM T. MANNING, Bishop of New York.

APPENDIX XIX.

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 the
Commission has been called on for advice and assistance in about
140 instances. This is somewhat less than the number reported at the
last Convention, due, of course, to the financial situation.
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 decorations, etc.

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 the leading styles of church architecture, with illustrations of the best examples of those types which proved to be most suitable to the various conditions found in city, town, village and country parishes. This handbook 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."

The Commission is glad to report that, at the present time, it has succeeded in organizing Commissions on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts in practically every diocese of the Church and in all the provinces.

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." The Commission reports, that while lectures have been given in some of the Seminaries and have been welcomed by the students, there still remains work to be done.
When one considers the importance of this whole subject,—the uplifting influence which good architecture and good art have and the evil influence which bad architecture and bad art have,—and when one furthermore finds that very large sums are expended each year in church buildings and the improvement and enrichment of these, the importance of the work of the Commission must be evident.

A conservative estimate has been made of the amounts expended on church buildings in the U.S.A. and it appears that every year more than a hundred millions of dollars are spent in building and enrichment.

Two courses have been followed by the Denominational bodies which have organized commissions. Some of the churches have gone into the business of being architects and have organized departments of architecture. One church, as a result of such an entrance into business, has been able to make a certain amount of money. The course, so far pursued by our church, has been quite different. We have not attempted to become architects nor to open an office or an architectural department. We have not done this because we were afraid of two things which we think we see where the other course has been pursued, namely, the standardization of church buildings, resulting in a deadly sameness, and secondly, the danger of setting up official architects who will function like “state architects.” Such action results in the aforementioned deadly sameness, and also opens the door to a good deal of political activity in the way of securing such an appointment. The best architects are not interested in attaining to such an office.

We, in the Episcopal Church, very wisely, it seems to us, have worked along another line. We have discovered and encouraged architects to take an interest in church work, and especially we have tried to encourage young architects to take such an interest.

When our Commission was organized, there were about three firms of architects that one could feel safe in recommending. As Secretary, I report that when last I went over my list which I call my “white list”, I discovered that there are about forty firms that can be recommended. Mr. Cram, the distinguished architect, told me the other day that he thought there were fifty.

While the improvement in the quality of ecclesiastical architecture and the allied arts is notable in the extreme, this is due in no respect to any vital co-operation on the part of the schools of architecture. In practically every case, the American schools of architecture seem unconscious of the fact that there is such a thing as organic religion in society or that churches are ever built. Ecclesiastical problems are rare and only too often these are given the students under the head of “Archaeology Problems”—a fact significant in itself. Practically all of the schools of architecture have placed their department of design under the direction of a Frenchman educated in the Ecole des Beaux Arts. Here there is the same indifference to religious architecture, while the whole tendency in France and in the Ecole des Beaux Arts is toward a particularly vicious type of ecclesiastical design whenever cognizance is taken of this department of architecture. This commission suggests that it might be desirable if representations could be made to the several schools on the part of the Church authorities toward the end that church building should be recognized and that some instruction in ecclesiastical design should be provided under other than French direction and that further the teaching of history.
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should be extended to include the cultural background of religious art and its relationship to the problems of the present day.

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.

To certain basic principles the 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 any in the world. 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 every 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 first meeting of the Commission after the General Convention held February 8, 1929, at 281 Fourth Avenue, the Commission,
The Rt. Rev. J. DeW. Perry.
Mr. John Nicholas Brown.
Mr. Robert Patterson.
Mr. A. G. Leonard.
Mr. George G. Booth.
Mr. Hobart Upjohn.
Mr. Philip H. Frohman.
Miss Marion Hendrie.
Miss Elisabeth Spalding.

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,

HERMAN PAGE, Chairman,
MILO H. GATES, Secretary,
WILLIAM T. MANNING,
THOMAS F. DAVIES,
DANIEL D. ADDISON,
WM. J. DIXON,
RALPH ADAMS CRAM,
CHARLES STEEL,
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APPENDIX XX.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON
CHRISTIAN HEALING

The Joint Commission on Christian Healing was first appointed at the General Convention held in the city of Portland, Oregon, in 1922. Reports were made at the two following Conventions in New Orleans and Washington.

Nine years have elapsed since the original formation of the Commission. During these years a large number of people in the Church have manifested great and enduring interest in the subject under consideration. Many parish priests throughout the country have carried on a ministry to the sick in mind and body. Several societies have been working for years in this field and the whole Church has now the benefit of their experience. It seems to your Commission that we have now come to the time when we may rightly appraise this health movement in the Church. The nine years that are now past have been in fact an experimental period and from this experience we may now attempt to state what seems to us to be the characteristics of a religion and health movement that will be truly constructive and beneficial to the Church in its task of building up the Kingdom of God.

1. It must teach that spiritual healing is an integral element of the Gospel of Christ, and, therefore, that the ministry of healing is an inherent part of the pastoral office of the Church, but it must not
teach nor use any methods which may tend to lead people to believe
that spiritual healing is the only or even the primary element of that
Gospel. This truth, which has been so neglected, must not now be
overstressed. It must be given its exact place in the message of
Christianity to the modern era.

A sane movement emphasizing the neglected factor under consid­
eration must never permit people to become religious in order to gain
health. Our Lord said, "Seek ye first His Kingdom and His righteous­
ness." Health is a privilege of the children of the Kingdom, but their
motive in seeking it must be sound. It must not be sought for its
own sake. We are prostituting spiritual religion when we seek health
for any other reason than to be efficient co-workers with God in the
establishment of the Kingdom. It must be taught therefore, that
health is only a "by-product" of a true spiritual religion.

2. The primary stress of a constructive movement must be placed
on "health," and not on "healing." The word "health" means "whole­
ness." It covers every part of man's being, body, mind, and spirit, all
of which are to be brought into harmonious relationship with each
other. The whole man is to be made healthful.

We do not hold the idea that children will, of course, wander away
in the paths of evil and the Church must later win them back, perhaps
in some stirring revival; from the first we teach them to stay in the
Kingdom. Religion then is primarily preventive of sin. This we must
see in relation to health and sickness. The Church's first duty is to
show us how we can stay well. It must not permit us to become sick
and then try to save us. Religion is primarily preventive of sickness,
not curative. Medical science has seen this truth which must now be
grasped by us in the Church who believe in spiritual healing.

3. But stressing health or "wholeness," the Church must have an
effective message to the sick as it has to the sinful. After all, sin and
sickness are but different aspects of the same evil, and Christ came to
destroy evil in all its forms. The example of Jesus taking much time
and energy in His short ministry to heal the sick, without any hesita­
tion as to their sickness being either a reward or a punishment or a
discipline, is enough to prove to anyone believing in His divinity that
God wills health for all of us. Then the Church must follow His
example and develop effective ways of bringing a full Gospel to the
sick.

4. The whole movement must be based upon a sound, true, practi­
cal mysticism, that is, upon the truth that we can come into conscious,
intimate fellowship with God, the Eternal Spirit. The fact of an ever­
present union with God can be lifted up into consciousness. We may
actually experience God; we may have an immediate sense of the
Supreme Reality; we may know that "Christ is our life." If this truth
of God in Christ is kept primary, there will be no danger of going off
on tangents nor of over-emphasizing the truth of spiritual healing, nor
of exalting "healers," nor of adopting any peculiar methods to teach
the Gospel to the sick.

But can such a mysticism, can this primal truth of all spiritual re­
ligion, be the foundation upon which the health movement in the
Church is based?

There is one fact of spiritual religion that challenges impartial in­
vestigation, namely, that communion with God, in Christ, practised in
the right way, results in a marked increase of vital energy! It re­
leases the inner curative tendencies of the body, and augments them
with what we may believe is the infinite power of Almighty God. Effective prayer has the effect of a potent tonic; it vitalizes and energizes the whole personality of man. And this is what we mean by what we crudely call "spiritual healing." Here we are on solid ground that no intelligent man who has any belief in God can seriously question. No remedy of any kind, material or mental, has real curative properties; it is only Life that heals. And we, as Christians, assert that that life which we are is in direct union with the One, Creative Life of God, in whom "we live, and move, and have our being." We are conscious, individuated centers of Creative Life. When we grasp and live that truth, when we practice definite methods, approved not only by the long experience of the Church, but also by modern psychology, when we really "seek first His Kingdom," health, mental and physical, is one of the blessed results which are "added" unto us.

Let the Church keep true to its mission; let its thought be centered upon the indwelling Christ; let it avoid all weird speculations; let it eschew all sensational methods and just teach, "in season and out," this basal truth of the Christian religion; and it need have no fear of any dangers attendant upon this modern health movement.

5. With the whole movement based upon this primal truth of all spiritual religion, a right view can be maintained of what may be called the accessories of faith. Many today would stress what is called "the sacrament of unction." To them it has not only psychological but also sacramental value. It is clearly Scriptural and has behind it the authority of Apostolic times. We rejoice that a form of service for its administration has been placed in the Prayer Book. But no one, however high the value he placed upon it, would question that it is only a means to a spiritual end. A sane, constructive health movement cannot be based upon the use of consecrated oil; that is not its primary truth. The same may be said of "a gift of healing," so much disputed and about which we know practically nothing. No movement could be based upon that! These and other means do oftentimes tend to stimulate and focalize faith; they have their place, but they are accessories and aids in relation to the problem of mental and physical health. When undue stress is placed upon any means or instruments, the Church is courting danger.

6. A constructive movement must adopt true educational methods. Is this not a problem of what we have called "Religious Education?" Our Lord never permitted Himself to be called a "healer" or a "divine healer." He was a "Master," a "teacher," and with His marvelous insight into human nature and its needs, He seldom worked with a throng of sick people. The best scholars of our time tell us that the evidence shows that He persistently tried to avoid crowds and that He did not depend upon "mob-psychology" in His healing work with the sick. And always He demanded "faith." Oftentimes He used the strong expression, "Thy faith hath made thee whole."

The problem of health is in no way different from the problem of holiness. The Church is to educate its children into a strong intelligent faith that covers the whole personality. What is it that the sick need? Is it not a thorough re-education, a chance of consciousness, a right understanding of God, Christ, self, matter, and evil, a true appraisal of values, a mind free from sin and doubts and fears, a firm grasp upon the fact of the existence and availability of spiritual power, a keen, well-motivated desire for health and an eager, enthusiastic expectation that God's will for health will be realized? This re-educat-
tion may be a simple or a very complex process; it may be accomplished in a short or a long time; it may or may not demand a probing of the subconscious mind for buried, emotional complexes, and morbid processes, but throughout it is a work of religious education.

The problem with the sick is to find means of releasing Christ's power to heal. Jesus stressed the need of faith, of a vital cooperation on the part of the sick before healing could take place. We may be so clogged up with inhibitions of all kinds, with passions and lusts, fears and depressions, worldliness and materialism, that we thwart the Divine Will. Free course must be given to the Spirit. There must be a thorough process of re-adjustment to God, the self, and fellow-men. Since the object of Christian healing is not merely the removal of physical symptoms, "the whole relation of the patient to God and man must be revolutionized, if necessary, and put upon a firm basis of truth before the cure can be regarded as a true and Christian one." When we strive to live after the manner of Jesus, when we adopt His working philosophy of life, then we release within and through us the healing power of God. Again we affirm that the work of spiritual healing is essentially a task of religious education.

When it is clearly seen by our Church leaders that spiritual healing is an essential element of the Gospel of Christ and an inherent part of the pastoral office of the Church, and that therefore only sound educational methods should be employed, the health movement will be accompanied by no special dangers to the cause of spiritual religion.

Surely the time has come when we of the Church must see that this subject of Religion and Health is a most serious one, demanding the most earnest and painstaking study. Practically every problem of philosophy and theology is involved in it. And in our work with the sick almost every question of abnormal psychology comes up. The Church must not be content with a mere "laying on of hands" or the administration of "the rite of unction," or the exercise of a supposed "gift of healing," however valuable these aids may be. We must be ardent and sincere in our search for the truth, ever unwilling to accept as a fact what does not have solid evidence behind it, and, keeping our poise and balance, never be led astray by our zeal or our enthusiasm.

The Church must go forward, but it must be conservative and watch every step. The more it demands patient study, the honest weighing of evidence, and the quiet use of approved educational methods, the more will it advance the cause of spiritual religion, and the more will it safeguard the future of "spiritual healing" among the Christians of America.

7. Upon the above basis a right alliance may be made between the Church and the medical profession. No sober minded man can dispute what materia medica has done for humanity, in the alleviation of suffering caused by disease and accident, and in the practical eradication of certain diseases. We believe that this progress in medical science has been due to the certain illumination of the Spirit of God. The Church will not fail to give due credit to the medical profession for its noble work for poor suffering humanity.

But we need not go to the other extreme and assert that the spiritual methods of Jesus are now obsolete, that the command given to the Twelve and to the Seventy to "Heal the Sick" is not binding upon
the modern Church, and that the Church's duty is performed when it erects or supports hospitals where only mental and material methods are employed.

Every case of sickness is primarily a spiritual problem, and spiritual methods are to be used first, but it must be seen clearly that, oftentimes, material and mental methods are exceedingly helpful, if not necessary, to the fulfillment of God's Will to health.

There may be true co-operation when the physician, surgeon, and psychiatrist see clearly and acknowledge with gratitude that in every case God does the healing and that they, like all of us, are but the assistants of the Divine Healer, and when the advocates of spiritual healing never claim to be "healers" or assume the attitude of such, never lead the sick to postpone unduly an operation that competent medical authorities declare is necessary, and, in every case of organic disease, never fail to demand a rigid diagnosis, and to insist upon the co-operation of physician or surgeon.

There is no doubt in the minds of your Commission about this modern health movement in the Church. It has come to stay. The ministry of healing is, as we have insisted, an inherent part of the pastoral office of the Church. If the above seven points are always borne in mind, the Church may go forward with confidence and zeal in the steps of the Master, who is reported to have said, "the works that I do shall ye do also."

We again call attention to the need of the study of this subject in our Theological Seminaries. We note with thanksgiving that there are evidences in the case of a number of Theological Seminaries in the United States that attention is being given to the subject of psychotherapeutics or psychiatry in its various branches. Without doubt psychological science can aid in detecting and removing inhibitions that form obstacles to the healing power of God, but it must not be forgotten that spiritual healing seeks greater and deeper results than psychiatry. The aim of the former is not merely the destruction of symptoms in the mind and body but the health of the whole personality. It seeks to awaken in the mind of the patient a sense of the Power and Love of God, to bring him into true relationship with God, and to help him to realize the healing presence of Christ. Its task is not accomplished until the patient is brought into vital contact and real communion with God, the source of all health and healing. We therefore urge that all Candidates for Holy Orders be trained "in the many-sided enterprise of prayer" that, when in charge of congregations after Ordination, they may become, in the language of the Report of the Lambeth Conference of 1920, "more efficient teachers and trainers of their people in this work, so that through the daily practise of prayer and meditation the corporate faith of the Church may be renewed and the fruit of the Spirit may be more manifest in the daily lives of professing Christians, and the power of Christ to heal may be released."

Your Commission notes with gratitude that there is a prospect of the unification of the work of the societies dealing with the subject of religion and health. In particular we are informed that The Society of the Nazarene and The American Guild of Health are now seriously considering a complete merger of their organizations. We express the hope that this merger may be speedily accomplished.
In conclusion we again ask that this Commission be continued with power to add to its numbers and to fill vacancies.

Rt. Rev. Herman Page, Chairman Pro tem,  
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Theodore I. Reese,  
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H. C. Wyckoff,  
F. D. Rose,  
W. W. Olds, Jr.

MINORITY REPORT ON CHRISTIAN HEALING

The undersigned member of this Commission wishes to offer the following by way of supplement or amendment to the majority Report already submitted.

With the main philosophy and position of the majority Report we are in agreement, but we feel it places an inadequate emphasis upon

1. The Church's Teaching, and upon
2. The Church's Sacramental basis.

We believe that Christian Healing as practiced in this Church requires these two emphases for its proper safeguarding.

1. The majority Report states (par. 3) that "sin and sickness are but different aspects of the same evil, and Christ came to destroy evil in all its forms."

With this statement we agree, but we feel that it should be further stated that the Atonement is God's manner of dealing with sin and that the death of Our Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross represents objectively the defeat of sin for the race and that only as we accept this atoning work can sin be actually defeated in us and the virus of sin with its disease-producing tendencies eradicated from our systems.

The law of God is unquestionably the law of Health. Sin, as the Scriptures truly assert, is "the transgression of the law." And sin will not be effectively dealt with in us until we are brought by Repentance and Faith back into right relationship with the Divine Law. "The law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus makes us free from the law of sin and death." Romans 8:2. This process of being freed from the bondage of sin we believe to be an essential factor in the Church's Ministry of Healing. It is an aspect of the Atonement and involves restored relationship with a Person, not a mere change of consciousness, however necessary that may be.

2. We also feel there must be a stronger emphasis upon the Person of Our Lord as the Real Healer. Also that His healing work is an integral part of the Incarnation of the Son of God.

This is no pious theory but is clearly taught in the New Testament, as for instance in St. Peter's discourse reported in Acts 10:38: "God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power Who went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed of the devil, for God was with Him. And we are witnesses of all things
which He did ............" We believe that wherever the Person of Our Lord is recognized and exalted, the same healing power continues to be exerted. Healing "in the Name of Jesus Christ" is simply the recognition of this Presence in our midst. It is more than an "indwelling" or "imminent" force; it is the Living Presence of the Lord Jesus Christ, the knowledge of Whom is Life Eternal and to whom we refer in the Prayer Book Visitation of the Sick when we say there: "Be now and evermore thy defense, and make thee know and feel that there is none other Name under heaven given to man, in whom and through whom thou mayest receive health and salvation, but only the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ." (P. B. page 314.)

3. We further believe that the excellent teaching embodied in the Majority Report would carry much greater weight, especially to the clergy and faithful laity of our own Church, if greater stress could be laid upon the Sacraments of the Church as divinely ordained vehicles through which healing grace is ministered.

This follows naturally from the doctrine of the Incarnation.

As God was made flesh in the Person of Jesus Christ, so the Incarnation is extended through His Body the Church. Thus in the life and sacraments of the Church (His Body) healing virtue flows as it did from His earthly Body in the days of His flesh.

While we do not deny any of the health-giving agencies referred to in the majority Report, we would stress the fact here that those who have received Holy Orders are especially commissioned and the Holy Spirit is especially invoked upon them that they should be "faithful Dispensers of the Word of God and of His holy sacraments" (Ordering of Priests P. B. page 543). We affirm that the normal ministry of healing referred to in par. 1. of the majority Report is exercised through the sacraments which the Church prescribes, always assuming that those to whom this ministry is given will receive proper instruction and preparation.

With such instructions and safeguards we believe that the sacraments become more than "accessories and aids" (par. 5 of majority Report) and that we find in them channels of Divine grace, a proper reception of which conduces to increased vitality, health and healing.

If the Ministry of Healing is (as the foregoing Report affirms) "an inherent part of the pastoral office of the Church" and "an integral element of the Gospel of Christ," we shall surely expect to find in the Church available and accessible means by which this ministry can be made effective. This is done through the sacraments.

This beneficent and health-giving ministry which is made effective through the sacraments is the treasure of the whole Church and not the monopoly of any section or party or school of thought. Every priest at his ordination is made a "Dispenser" of these sacraments and in this Report we are merely calling attention to the healing grace which is released whenever and wherever our Lord's Presence is recognized and his commands faithfully carried out. We do not claim to be "healers" but merely "dispensers" of the healing grace prescribed and provided by The Great Physician.

4. To avoid ambiguity we would affirm here that we attach no superstitious value or importance to the sacraments. We regard them (as the Church teaches) as "outward and visible signs of inward and spiritual grace given unto us," and our experience and witness is that
there is healing power in this "inward and spiritual grace" which has not been sufficiently recognized or used.

Here may we quote Canon R. C. Moberly in his book "Ministerial Priesthood" (pp. 35-36) as follows: "The way to make spiritual ideas real is to give them expression of reality in bodily life. The bodily expression may and will be inadequate: there will always be a contrast—discernible at least, too often deplorable—between its meaning and itself; but even so, underneath whatever weight of failure, until it traitorously disowns its own significance, the imperfect outward will represent, will aspire towards, will actually in a measure express, that perfect ideal which is waiting still to gain, in outward expression, its consummation of reality." (pp. 35,36.)

Our Lord showed himself such a master of human nature in that He always used vital symbols to express Spiritual Truth and the symbols he selected were not merely signs but became in his hands vehicles for the transmission of life.

Thus Baptism with water represents the inception of life. It declares the presence of the vital life in us and that, as a result, we are members of Christ, children of God, and inheritors of the Kingdom of Heaven. In its cleansing and regenerating influence we see analogies of this cleansing work in the healing of Naaman the leper after dipping himself seven times in the Jordan. Baptism also stands for that divine process by which we rise out of the material into the spiritual. The power from the higher kingdom descends to the lower in order to raise it to itself, but the lower cannot ascend unaided.

In the Sacrament of Holy Communion we experience the sustaining or preserving of life which God gives us through His Son. The Holy Ghost (the real Administrator of the Sacrament) takes of the things of Christ and gives them to us. Our mental picture of Christ's earthly body will serve as an initial introduction to the work which He does in Holy Communion. The body of Christ was never diseased. It was broken for us—scourged, buffeted, and crucified, but never diseased. As He dwells in us and we in Him, as we sacramentally live on Him, so will we be redeemed from those blemishes of soul and body that make us ineffective as members of His Church here on earth. As the virtue which went out of Him into the body of the woman with the issue of blood gave her complete healing and physical soundness, so the virtue which goes out of Him through the Blessed Sacrament and received by faith, should have the same effect upon our suffering ones today. This is well expressed in the ancient liturgies, and the prayers for healing in the Eucharist were only dropped on account of the spiritual deadness of the later middle ages. Thus we find in the liturgy of St. Mark in the second century these words:

"Them that are sick, O Lord, of Thy people, visit in Thy pity and mercies and heal. Avert from them and from us all sickness and infirmity, drive away from them the spirit of weakness, raise up again them that are lying in long sickness; heal them that are vexed of unclean spirits. To every Christian soul that is in trouble, and that is a petitioner to Thee, give mercy, give remission, give refreshment."

And in the Sarum Missal:

"We that are refreshed by Thy heavenly benediction beseech Thee, O Lord, that the healing power of The Sacrament may be profitable to both our bodies and souls. Amen."
Which closely follows the 9th century usage, thus:

"O Holy Lord, Father Almighty, Everlasting God, we entreat Thee in faith that our brother N., receiving the most holy Body and Blood of Thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ, may enjoy health both in body and soul, through the same our Lord. Amen."

The Rite of Confirmation invokes upon us the Holy Spirit which is the Lord and Giver of Life, and as Saul was filled with the Holy Ghost right after his conversion through prayer and the laying on of hands, and thereby had his sight restored, so we recognize the gift of the Holy Spirit as instrumental in all religious healing today.

Voluntary Confession and Absolution bestows upon the penitent the gift of forgiveness, and this gift was associated in our Lord's life with the healing of the body.

Son, thy sins be forgiven thee: rise, take up thy bed and walk"; and to the impotent man at his cure Jesus said, "Go, and sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto thee." The principle involved here may be best stated in our Lord's own words, see Mark 2:9: "Whether is it easier to say to the sick of the palsy, Thy sins be forgiven thee: or to say, Arise, take up thy bed, and walk? But that ye may know that the Son of Man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (He saith to the sick of the palsy), I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house."

In Ordination, Christ commissions His ministers and gives them authority in proclaiming this vital message, and so as they are set apart, the gifts of the Spirit of Life are invoked upon them. The principle of apostolic succession which is commonly associated with Holy Orders represents the guarantee that our ministry and teaching today do not differ from the ministry and teaching given to the first apostles.

In Holy Matrimony, we find Christ bestowing a divine blessing upon human family life, and giving it a quality and approval which sanctifies the whole biological process by which the human species is propagated.

In Holy Unction, we find the divine sanction for healing through material channels, whether the channel be the oil or the laying-on of hands. The object here is to restore human life to the divine image and to adjust our human wills to the divine will.

We may look at the Cross and see ourselves crucified there with Christ; redeemed and restored in Him, united sacramentally to His Body the Church—refreshed, restored, reinvigorated with His very Body and Blood and going forth to live His life and to do His work in the world. That is a high ideal but not too high—for it is His will and "His will is our peace." We can get no peace or happiness or permanent comfort in the real sense outside of God's will. As St. Augustine so truly says: "Thou hast made us for Thyself, and our souls are ever restless until they rest in Thee."

And while the Church and her Sacraments represent an appointed way, they are the appointed way or means to a definite end—that end is union with our Lord Himself.

In conclusion, these interpretations are offered not as conflicting with the excellent teaching of the majority Report but as pointing out the available means in the Church whereby the Ministry of Healing may be made effective.

Respectfully submitted,

John Gaynor Banks.
APPENDIX XXI.

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM

"Your Committee believes that the men and women of the Church, young and old, are at this time ready to participate in a nation-wide program of evangelism provided the purpose and plan is definitely stated in terms which every member can understand, appreciate, appropriate and apply.

"We believe the objective cannot be stated more clearly than in the simple, forceful language used when a member is signed with the SIGN OF THE CROSS—in token hereafter he shall not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified and manfully to fight under His banner against sin, the world and the devil, and to continue Christ's faithful soldier and servant unto his life's end.

"This would mean calling into active service every soldier who had retired forgetting that no faithful soldier in Christ's Army ever retires.

"It would further mean reminding every soldier in Christ's Army that he cannot fulfill his responsibility without that special grace which the Captain of our salvation gives to those who ask and who offer themselves to be used by Him."

The above is quoted from the report of the Joint Committee appointed to consider all memorials and resolutions to General Convention 1925, referring to Evangelism in the Church as a result of which report the National Commission on Evangelism was created.

It would be remembered that in its initial step—the Bishops' Crusade—the Commission offered to the membership of the Church definite objectives:

1. To confess Christ openly before men.
2. To pray daily.
3. To read their Bibles.
4. To worship through the Sacrament.
5. To serve actively in the Church.
6. To assume responsibility for bringing others to Christ.
7. To combat worldliness by more consistent Christian living.

Immediately after the report on the Bishops' Crusade and other activities of the Commission to General Convention in Washington, 1928, the following resolution was unanimously adopted.

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.

Since the last meeting of the General Convention the National Commission on Evangelism has held five important meetings and has, through its Chairman, Field Worker and Sub-Committees, kept constantly in touch with the Bishops and the active Commissions on Evangelism in the dioceses throughout the Church.

The following men were appointed by the Presiding Bishop to fill vacancies on the Commission: The Rev. R. W. Woodroofe, D.D., of Detroit; the Rev. Alexander C. Zabriskie, of Alexandria, Va., and Mr. Warren Kearny of New Orleans.

Mr. Coleman Jennings of Washington was elected as an Associate Field Worker of the Commission with especial reference to student work in the colleges and universities.

Owing to lack of sufficient funds, the office of General Missioner was discontinued in September, 1930, at which time the Commission lost the faithful services of the Rev. W. J. Loaring Clark, D.D.

The Commission has been able to provide missioners for many parishes. It has assisted several dioceses in carrying out their plans for Diocesan-Wide Preaching Missions, and made use of the Seventy Associate Missioners in many parishes.

One of the most important and far-reaching acts of the Commission was the appointment of the Committee of the Commission and adopting its program on "Adventuring with Christ" as a part of our national program.

**EVANGELISM FOR CHILDHOOD AND YOUTH**

No program of Evangelism would be complete without including Childhood and Youth in its objectives. It is a trite saying "that the hope of the Church and the World is in its Youth." It has always been so, and our times are not very different from those which have gone before. If the Youth of today can be won for Christ we shall build a strong Church for tomorrow and in doing so stabilize the world's life which is so sorely unsettled at the present time. The only thing that can save the world is the Gospel of Jesus Christ. When His Gospel is applied to life the great problems of Modern Society will find their solution, and not until then. In Christ and in Christ alone can the world's life be redeemed.

The finest of our work must be with Childhood and Youth. Realizing the infinite potentiality of young life we must give it our very best. To do so we must believe in Youth, we must trust it, and build into it a background that will give strength for the greatest of all enterprises, the building of the Kingdom of God.

For some time the National Commission on Evangelism in its program has chiefly concerned itself with adult life. Here much valuable work was done. The Bishops' Crusade, for illustration, was productive of much good. The time, however, seemed to have arrived for the enlargement of its program. So, at the meeting of the Commission held in Boston in the fall of 1930, the suggestion was made that an intensive program of Evangelism for Childhood and Youth be prepared. With the work for Adults, for Students in College Centers, all ages would now be included in the program. It was felt that the Evangel could be proclaimed effectively even to Childhood, that in the formative period of life great good could be accomplished.
A committee was appointed, which was to report at the next meeting of the Commission. This Committee was given the responsibility of bringing in a suggested program of Evangelism for Childhood and Youth. Contact was immediately made with the committee of the Department of Religious Education of the Fifth Province which had prepared a well thought out program of evangelism for childhood under the title—"Adventuring with Christ." This program has been used in many parts of the Church and with great success. The Committee of the Commission realizing the very great value of this program asked permission to incorporate it into its program of evangelism. This request was gladly granted and the Committee promised to prepare further material as the need should arise.

The "Adventuring with Christ" program has as its main purpose the giving to children a sense of their being sharers with Christ in working out His purposes for the world.

It is an attempt to lead children into religious experiences different from those with which they are familiar in the Church School. It is an attempt to make the religious education of children more central in the life of the Church than it is at the present time. It is an effort to challenge more serious-minded men and women with the greatness of the opportunity of religious work with children. It aims to encourage parents to make the Christian religion a more vital element in the life of the home. Through the establishment of the Children's Prayer Corner in the home religion has been brought back into many of the homes of our land.

This "Adventuring with Christ" Program is largely designed for children up to the age of twelve. It is now part of the program of the National Commission on Evangelism, and the committee of the Fifth Province is busy preparing further material.

In November, 1930, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew launched its "Faith and Youth" program and with remarkable success. It was a program for older boys. The Committee of the Commission on Evangelism felt that this program was of great value, and if enlarged to include girls as well as boys it would reach the youth of the Church in the teen ages. A special committee was appointed to rewrite the material with this end in view and the material is now in the hands of the publishers. The program is known as—"Faith and Youth," and is to be incorporated in the nationwide plans of the Commission for the coming Triennium.

The youth of today constitutes the greatest potential force in present day religion; that this force may be harnessed to the task of spreading the Kingdom and training future leadership for the Church the program has been prepared and is offered to the leaders of youth throughout the Church. Its purpose is to increase the number of truly consecrated boys and girls in the Church and enlist them in active service for the spread of Christ's Kingdom among the Youth of today.

The objectives of the "Faith and Youth" Program may be stated as follows:

To achieve Christian Character through Christian Education.

To discover God through the riches of worship.

To develop in the Church a sense of the importance of youth, that boys and girls may be integrated into the life of the Church through having real responsibilities assigned them.
To train youth for the exercise of Christian leadership and suggest definite opportunities to them.

To give youth a sense of the validity of the Christian religion as a motivating force in all the areas of human experience.

To inspire youth to lead a new life through seeking God's purpose in life and then co-operating in that purpose.

Your Commission feels that with the "Adventuring with Christ" and the "Faith and Youth" programs, its work will be of very much greater value to the Church. It sees in these programs great possibilities in Evangelism for the future.

Through the courtesy of Captain B. F. Mountford, Secretary of the Church Army in the U.S.A., Captain Estabrook was placed on the Staff of the Commission from Easter, 1931, through the meeting of the General Convention with special reference to our program for evangelism in connection with Childhood and Youth. This is additional evidence of the sympathetic, loyal and effective co-operation of the Church Army in the U.S.A.

Other activities of the Commission have included the preparation of a pamphlet for teaching the subject of "Personal Evangelism" in Summer Schools and elsewhere and also in co-operating with the development and promotion of "Retreats" in this country.

Dr. Larkin W. Glazebrook has served the Commission as Field Secretary during the Triennium just closing, during which time he has visited forty-seven dioceses and missionary districts, delivering messages on Personal Evangelism to six hundred congregations and parish groups. He has also made addresses to six Seminaries and twenty Universities and Colleges.

Through this well organized visitation program carried out by Dr. Glazebrook, more members of our Church have heard an inspiring message on Personal Evangelism during a period of two years than during any similar period, with the exception of that covered by the Bishops' Crusade.

The Commission believes the results of Dr. Glazebrook's splendid work will be reflected in the response which will be made by the men and women who heard his message, when the Church renews its effort during the coming Triennium in an endeavor to enlist the best lay leadership in the Church to co-operate with the Bishops and Clergy in making Personal Evangelism a live, active, organized force in every Parish and Mission throughout the Church.

Your Commission has endeavored, through correspondence, to secure the co-operation of the Bishops in appointing a new Diocesan Committee on Evangelism where the old Committee, appointed during the Bishops' Crusade, has ceased to function, and to revive interest in such Diocesan Committees on Evangelism as have continued to function, so that the need for making Personal Evangelism a vital part of the organized life of every Parish and Mission might be kept vividly before the membership of the Church.

The Commission does not regard this effort in reviving interest as successful, as nothing outstanding has happened through this means. It will never be entirely successful until each Bishop cooperates by enthusiastically commending the plans of the National Commission on Evangelism to the Clergy of his Diocese. These plans should include the appointment of a parochial Committee on Evangelism in every
Parish or Mission made up of at least one leader from each parochial organization. The Committee so appointed should elect one member as an Associate Member on a Diocesan Commission of Evangelism. This Diocesan Commission is to be responsible for aiding parishes and missions of the Diocese in carrying out a program of Evangelism and cooperating with the National Commission to make its work effective. This is not creating a new organization but a tying together of existing organizations in a united effort for Evangelism.

The only activity among the men of the Church which has been reported to the Commission has come through the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. The objective and operating principles of this organization typify the most practical proven means for the individual member of Christ's Body, the Church, to fulfill his baptismal obligation.

This national group of matured men, many of whom have enjoyed identification with this helpful organization since boyhood, together with an increasingly large number of young men of Senior High School and Junior College age, and a group of younger boys, who are receiving a most valuable training to insure their future usefulness, represents a combined group of man power, both potential and seasoned, organized to cooperate with Bishops, Clergy and Laymen in carrying out the program of Personal Evangelism, for which the Commission was created.

We, therefore, most heartily and unreservedly commend the Brotherhood of St. Andrew to those clerical and lay leaders of the Church who are inspired with the desire to make the program of Personal Evangelism a reality.

The Brotherhood has been responsible for arranging successful conferences for laymen on Personal Evangelism, which have resulted in converting many worthwhile leaders to the importance of making Personal Evangelism a live force in their respective parishes and dioceses.

Just as no worthwhile political or business objective has ever been realized, except through the organized cooperation of individuals who believe in the objective and have a real desire to do their part. So must those who wish to do their part in serving the on-ebeternal objective which Man is permitted to participate in, "The Establishment of Christ's Kingdom," identify themselves with others who are likewise inspired by this high calling, and cooperate by consecrating their time and effort in an endeavor to attain their highest usefulness as citizens of Christ's Kingdom and bring others into that same preferred relationship.

We are meeting today in a time of unrest and fear. We have seen the crashing of financial institutions in which we trusted. We have heard the tramp of thousands of our unemployed brothers seeking a chance to live. We have seen the toil of the farmer come to naught, and we have sensed the deep silence of our closed factories and mills. We have had to face stark realities and some of us, we believe, have made a fresh discovery of God.

It has been a time to try men's souls, and I believe we have needed such a time, a testing time, when men, shaken from false security and transient content, fall back upon God and find peace.

The easy days, so sadly abused, so wantonly squandered, are gone, and the very salvation of America may depend upon the length of time they remain away.
The hard days are here—the days of planning and thinking and giving up, the days of readjustment of loving and restoration of values and discovery of self. These days are here—may we have the courage to thank God for them; may we have the wisdom to use them, not as valleys of depressions through which we toil in bitterness and defeat, but as God’s own highway, over which we march in confidence and faith to that larger life of service, that wider field of usefulness that we could have never known if we had not learned the lesson of the hard high road.

Admitting our failures, we will not admit defeat; conscious of our poverty of soul, we will not refuse to be fed; unworthy of our Sonship, we will not give up our heritage. We will, please God, go on from this place with courage and with faith to accomplish the work committed to our hands. We will clear from our souls those barriers that have blocked the way of Jesus. We will offer and present ourselves to His service. Out of our plenty, we have given with indifference; out of our poverty, we will offer with joy. We will face the problems of our day with understanding hearts, and give to a perplexed and distressed people that leadership which will enable them to find God, and in finding Him, to find peace.

Following is a summary of receipts and disbursements of the Commission during the past Triennium:

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Less disbursements

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**BALANCE, Sept. 16, 1931**

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APPENDIX XXII

PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET

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The Commission respectfully requests General Convention that it be authorized to continue its work during the coming triennium; that if it is authorized to continue its work the budget above set forth, be referred to the appropriate committee for consideration and report back to General Convention; that if the budget is approved it be included in the program of the Church financed by the National Council during the coming Triennium.

The Commission therefore submits the following resolutions:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Presiding Bishop be and hereby is authorized and requested to appoint five Bishops, five Clergymen and five Lay Persons as members of the National Commission on Evangelism to continue the work of that Commission during the next three years and

Be it further Resolved, That the proposed budget of the Commission covering its estimated expense during the next three years and amounting to a total for that period of forty-one thousand dollars, be referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

THOMAS C. DARST, Chairman.

APPENDIX XXII.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON RURAL WORK

The Joint Commission on Rural Work was created at the last General Convention under a resolution which stated as its purpose, "for fostering of the Church's work in village and country life." The resolution carried with it also a mandate that the Commission give consideration to four definite tasks: (1) the appointment of commissions or committees on Rural Work in the provinces, dioceses and districts of the Church; (2) encouragement of the observance of Rogation Sunday; (3) encouragement of the establishment of diocesan, district and regional conferences on Rural Work; and (4) the urging of the theological seminaries to include Rural Work in their curricula. The Commission organized at a meeting held in Washington by the elec-
tion of the Rt. Rev. William Mercer Green, D.D., Chairman, and the
Rev. H. W. Foreman, Secretary. The Commission has held two other
meetings during the triennium. It would report encouraging progress
in its work and an increasing interest throughout the Church in the
objects for which the Commission was created.

Words of Thanks

We would express gratitude for the co-operation which we have
received both from the bishops and the clergy, as well as many lay
people, without which our labors would have been in vain.

We would pay especial tribute to the always active, interested and
generous co-operation of Dean Lathrop, late Executive Secretary of
the Department of Christian Social Service of the National Council.
To his leadership is due a great contribution to the Church's ever
deepening understanding of its responsibility to rural America. He
threw himself with genuine and statesmanlike interest into giving to
the Church an adequate and trained leadership in the work. It is with
loving gratitude that we express our thanks for what he meant to the
rural work of the Church.

The Commission is grateful, also, for the indispensable assistance
rendered it by the Rev. H. W. Foreman, until a few months ago Sec­
retary for Rural Work of the National Council. He has been from its
organization Secretary of our Commission. His contribution cannot
be measured. We are happy that we have been able to keep him as a
member of our Commission as its Secretary and that we still have the
help of his experience and the inspiration of his well-informed and
deep interest.

Progress Reported

A recent survey through a questionnaire reveals certain facts which
carry with them encouraging notes. The questionnaires replied to
represent more than seventy-five percent of the dioceses and mission­
ary districts, and can, of course, be trusted only to reveal trends rather
than accurate or scientific conclusions. But, following the trends as
revealed in the questionnaires, we find abundant reasons to thank God
and take courage. We find, for instance, making comparison with the
results of a similar survey made in 1929, that the number of dioceses
and districts giving definite consideration to their Rural Work through
special committees, has increased twenty-five percent. This increased
interest is manifested in other ways. There has been a more general, as
well as genuine observance of the Rogation Days, with special thought to
the Rural Work of the Church. The diocesan papers have carried in­
creasing numbers of articles on Rural Work. The general church
papers have carried numerous and most excellent articles on various
phases of the rural problem with arresting editorial comment. There
has been, if we may trust figures, an increasing interest in the survey
of rural fields, with diocesan surveys about equal to the previous num­
ber reported. Rural Work continues to be given a large place in the
programs of diocesan conventions and the provincial synods. In the
provincial organizations Rural Work is receiving increased recogni­
tion. Diocesan rural work conferences, that is, gatherings of laity and
clergy for special study of rural work and assessment of rural oppor­
tunities, show a happy increase. In many cases, also, the diocesan
convocations give large consideration to rural missionary extension.

The number of clergy attending rural schools was considerably
larger in 1930 than in 1929. Opportunities in this way are increasing.
It is interesting to note, also, that by the Diocese of Alabama, con-
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Several years ago, the Bishop of Southwestern Virginia, the Rt. Rev. R. C. Jett, D.D., issued for use in the country work of his diocese a simplified edition of the Book of Common Prayer. So strongly did this book commend itself to your Joint Commission, that it undertook to publish a book of worship that might so commend itself throughout the Church that it might be authorized for use in the rural sections as a means of introducing folk to the Book of Common Prayer. The
work of this Commission has been completed and the book is in use in several dioceses. We have requested the Rt. Rev. W. L. Rogers, D.D., Bishop of Ohio, to make presentation of it to the General Convention.

**Literature on Rural Work**

Following this introduction, our Report carries further sections in an effort to state in brief the conditions, the opportunities and the needs of rural America, and to give a picture in etching of the Church's present work and possible contribution in rural life. We have made no effort to deal exhaustively with these matters, but we hope that that part of our report may be received as a not unworthy contribution to the literature on rural work, and that it may find its way into the hands of many who may find in it an inspiration to undertake more thoroughly a study of the whole rural question and of the Church's responsibility in regard to it.

That farm and village people deserve careful consideration in our national life has had increasing emphasis. As far back as 1861, national legislation witnessed to a sense of the commanding importance of American agriculture. In 1899, the Department of Agriculture was given recognition in the Cabinet of the President of the United States. From 1890 to this date, the place of the farm population in American life has received increased recognition. In 1907, President Roosevelt gave great impetus to the movement by the appointment of a Commission on Country Life. The American Country-Life Association was organized in 1918. In the meanwhile, various other agencies for rural study and for the facing of rural problems came into being. In 1920, there were 65 national, 143 inter-state, and 1,761 state agricultural organizations. The number of farm papers and magazines steadily increased, and in addition has come a literature of large proportions and superior quality dealing with the various aspects of the rural question. Rural Sociology is developing a literature of superior worth and arresting interest.

It should be a matter of gratitude that the statesmanship of the Church is now paralleling and supplementing by its efforts the social, economic and governmental agencies for the preservation and betterment of the values of rural life. The Church has itself produced the beginning of a literature on Rural Work. Two books, at least, deserve honorable mention: "The Rural Parish," by the Rev. Theodore St. Clair Will, B.D., and "Beyond City Limits," by the Rt. Rev. F. D. Goodwin, D.D.

All of this your Commission finds full of encouragement and presents this report in the hope that ever greater attention and study may be given to the rural problem by the Church, as well as by the State, and that more earnest and generous support may be given to the work.

We would ask your earnest consideration of the last section of the Report in which we outline, as we believe, a worthy program and project a plan by which alone adequate support may be given by the Church to its Rural Work. The resolutions attached thereto are hereby presented to the General Convention.

**A Program of Rural Work**

The rural problem, as outlined in the preceding sections, is essentially a national one. The duty of facing it is a corporate and national duty. Nothing less than a program approved, shared in, and supported
by a church in its national capacity and expressive of its national consciousness, can be adequate. The consciousness of this impelled the National Conference of Church Workers, meeting in Madison, Wisconsin, in July, 1930, to urge the launching of "A National Program for the Development of the Church's Work in the Village and Country Districts of America."

An effective national program must be projected, guided and administered by an organization functioning continuously and nationally and so securing breadth and continuity of policy and unity of effort. It must have responsible and recognized representation in the organic life of the Church through the General Convention and its administrative body, the National Council. It must have also the support and co-operation of the other administrative and working factors in the Church's organic life, the provinces and the dioceses.

The Joint Commission on Rural Work would seem to satisfy the demands for adequate representation in the General Convention.

The Division of Rural Work, under the Department of Christian Social Service, with its Secretary for Rural Work, is a recognition by the National Council of the importance and specialized character of Rural Work.

The conviction is held by many of those deeply interested in the Rural Work of the Church that adequate representation in the work of the National Council can be had only through the dignity and independence of a Department of Rural Work of the National Council. Your Joint Commission has come to no conclusion on this point, but it is at unity in the belief that whether as a Department or as a Division, constructive leadership and effective guidance of the Church in its Rural Work demand for it more generous financial support and a greater degree of independence of initiative and action.

The rural problem demands specific consideration from whatever angle it is approached, whether social, educational, economic or religious. This is dictated not because of any essential difference between rural and urban human nature, but because of the very obviously different conditions under which the rural and urban people live and work.

The specialized nature of the problem requires specially trained leadership, both men and women; demands adequate provision for systematic and scientific research, survey and study of the conditions that must be met, and an organized agency for educating the Church as to the needs and opportunities of rural America. To be done adequately, there must be a well organized and enlarged staff of division or department workers.

Furthermore, as no national organization can function without the full co-operation and co-ordination of the parts which make up the whole, provinces and dioceses should have commissions on Rural Work. These commissions, while working in harmony with the general policies of the Department or Division of the National Council, would recognize the special problems of their states or sections. No monotonous sameness of conditions prevail, and there are in rural life differences in the character, racial composition, economic and cultural stages of the rural population. This fact would require a large degree of freedom in the parts, with a unity of policy and principle in the whole. The co-ordination of all will contribute to a nation-wide unity of aim and of effort while permitting a statesmanlike and adequate performance of the task.
Your Committee submits in outline:

A NATIONAL PROGRAM OF VILLAGE AND COUNTRY WORK

I. ORGANIZATION

1. National
   b. Department or Division of Rural Work in the National Council.
   c. Staff of such Department or Division to include:
      - The Secretary in charge.
      - A Director of Rural Leadership Training.
      - A Director of Surveys, Research and Follow-up.
      - A Director of Work among the Isolated.

2. Provincial.
   Provincial Commissions on Rural Work.

3. Diocesan
   Committees or Commissions on Rural Work.

II. EDUCATION

1. Church-wide Program of Education
   a. Approved publicity of all kinds.
   b. A textbook for study on the Church and Rural Life.
   c. Church-wide observance of the Rogation Days.

III. TRAINING

1. Thorough Courses in Rural Pastoral Theology in our Church Seminaries.
2. University Extension Courses in Rural Work.
3. Rural Sociology in our Colleges.
4. Field Training in Rural Work for Seminarians.
5. Graduate Courses in Rural Social Service.
6. Training Courses for Women Rural Workers.
7. Diocesan Training Schools and Conferences for Rural Workers.
8. Provincial and Regional Schools for Rural Leaders.

IV. RESEARCH AND SURVEY

1. Thorough study of the Rural Work in at least one diocese or district in each province annually.
2. Establishment of rural centers with adequate staff, proper equipment and systematic program.

V. SOME PRACTICAL NEEDS

1. Organized work for the isolated in each province and diocese.
2. Adequate salaries for rural clergy.
3. Adequate equipment for rural, educational and social church work.
4. Provision for the education of the children of the rural clergy.
This Program calls for a financial support far in excess of that which the Rural Work of the Church now enjoys or can enjoy under the limitations of our Church's Budget and Program and of the Budgets of Provinces or Dioceses. Being conscious of this, our National Conference of Rural Workers has challenged the Church to the establishment of a "Rural Church Foundation, in the sum of five million dollars, the income of which shall be used for the maintenance and development of a National Program of Rural Work." Your Commission feels in entire sympathy with the object sought and would urge upon the Church, through its General Convention, a thorough consideration of the suggestion.

We hasten to say that we do not contemplate asking the General Convention to fix quotas for the dioceses and parishes of the Church for this fund. It is our feeling that if the vision of the Rural Church Program were brought before the minds of our people, many persons of means who feel the importance of the rural population in American life would be found who would be glad to provide large sums by gift or bequest to this cause. Your Commission asks, therefore, only that the General Convention at this time endorse the creation of such a fund.

Aware of the embarrassment that in years to come might be involved in a too narrow statement of the objects of such an endowment, we suggest that the fund be designated broadly as "For Village and Country Work."

We propose that the fund be placed in the hands of the National Council for investment and control, the income to be used under the direction of that body. Such a fund will enable our Church to project a worthy program with freedom from the embarrassments now felt in prosecuting many admirable plans for the furtherance of our work in the Rural Fields. Through it, staff workers could be employed and sustained; adequate salaries guaranteed to the clergy at work in the rural fields; proper equipment for the work given, and in many other ways such support guaranteed as will prevent many of the heartbreaks that now come as worthy work walks on lame feet or is finally closed for lack of leadership, trained workers and adequate financial guarantees and support.

Your Joint Commission would therefore offer the following resolutions:

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\item \emph{Resolved}, That the foregoing Program be approved and adopted by the General Convention.
\item \emph{Resolved}, That this General Convention approve the establishment of a Rural Church Foundation in the sum of Five Million Dollars to be designated "for Village and Country Work," the income of which shall be used for the maintenance and development of a National Program of Rural Work;
\item \emph{Resolved further}, That the National Council be instructed and authorized to become the administrators of this Foundation, investing its funds and disbursing the income;
\item \emph{Resolved}, That the approval of the National Council must be had for any means or methods that may be used for the securing of the Foundation;
\item \emph{Resolved}, That the Joint Commission on Rural Work be continued.
\end{itemize}
MEMBERS OF THE JOINT COMMISSION

THE RT. REV. WM. MERCER GREEN, D.D., Chairman.
THE VEN. H. W. FOREMAN, Secretary.

ELECTED BY THE GENERAL CONVENTION

From the House of Bishops

THE RT. REV. SAMUEL B. BOOTH, D.D., Bishop of Vermont.
THE RT. REV. WILLIAM MERCER GREEN, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi.
THE RT. REV. JAMES WISE, D.D., Bishop of Kansas.

From the House of Deputies

THE REV. WILLIAM F. BULKLEY, Missionary District of Utah.
THE REV. PAUL E. ENGLE, Diocese of Texas.
THE REV. VAL H. SESSIONS, Diocese of Mississippi.
DR. C. J. GALPIN, Washington.
MR. ALGERNON BLAIR, Alabama.
DR. R. J. COLBERT, Milwaukee.
MR. DEAN VINCENT, Oregon.
MR. J. S. WHALEY, South Carolina.

Elected by the Commission

THE VEN. H. W. FOREMAN, Diocese of Erie.
THE REV. DAVID W. CLARK, Missionary District of South Dakota.
PROF. WILLIAM V. DENNIS, Pennsylvania.

APPENDIX XXIII.

REPORT OF THE JOINT CONFERENCE WITH METHODISTS AND PRESBYTERIANS

The Commission was appointed under the following resolution offered by the Bishop of Western New York, Dr. Brent:

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 Commission met immediately after appointment and organized by the election of the Bishop of California as Chairman, the Bishop of
Newark as Vice-Chairman and the Rev. Dr. Humphries as Secretary. The invitations contemplated in the resolution were sent out in April, 1929. That to the Presbyterian Church, North, was presented to its General Assembly and accepted with enthusiasm. The Methodist Church, North, accepted the invitation through its Board of Bishops and authorized its Committee on Unity to act. The Methodist Church, South, was able to act only at its last General Conference, at which the invitation was presented and accepted. This was too late for the representatives of that Church to take part in the Atlantic City Conference. This Commission is now in correspondence with them, having another conference in view. The Presbyterian Church, South, has not yet acted on the invitation.

The two Northern Churches having acted, a preliminary conference was held in New York, October 4th, 1929, at which the program for the proposed conference was discussed and its main outlines adopted. Bishop Brent had undoubtedly had in mind as a first step a somewhat careful and exhaustive study of the basis of authority in morals in its relation to the life of the Church historically and at the present day. The members of the three Churches meeting in this preliminary conference felt that the more immediate and practical need was the consideration of what was also included in Bishop Brent’s plan—the comparison of the positions of the conferring Churches on the chief matters which fall under the head of Christian morality. It was along this line that the program was arranged.

The conference met at Atlantic City on June 10-11, 1930. There were seven Methodists under the chairmanship of Bishop Welch, six Presbyterians under that of Dr. J. Ross Stevenson, and seven of our Commission—the Bishop of Central New York and Dr. Clingman were unable to be present. The Chairman of our Commission was elected Chairman of the Conference and Dr. Humphries, Secretary.

The program was as follows:

AGENDA FOR MEETING, JUNE 10-11, CHALFONITE HOTEL, ATLANTIC CITY

Subjects and Times for Their Discussion Are As Follows:

TUESDAY A.M.—1. A Review of the Causes Leading to the Separation of the Churches, with Special Reference to Moral and Social Matters.

AFTERNOON—2. The Relations of Church and State.
   (a) Law Observance and Legislature.
   (b) Sunday Observance.

P.M.—3. The Authority of the Church in Moral and Social Matters and the Discipline Involved Therein.

TUESDAY P.M.

and WEDNESDAY A.M.—4. What is the Official Declaration and Attitude of Each Church upon
   (a) The Family, Marriage, and Divorce.
   (b) International Relations.
   (c) Racial Relations.
   (d) Industrial and Economic Relations.
   (e) Relation of the Churches to Education.
      (1) Secularizing of General Education.
      (2) Programs of Religious Education.
The findings, which have already been published, are printed here-with:

**OFFICIAL FINDINGS OF THE JOINT CONFERENCE**

Atlantic City, N.J., June 10th-11th, 1930.

The Conference puts on record its deep gratitude to Our Heavenly Father for the spirit of fellowship which has so conspicuously dominated the entire meeting. We thank Him for the opportunity afforded us to express our common faith in the Lord Jesus Christ, and for the increasing realization of the harmony in the efforts of our several Communions to deal with the problems of the social and moral application of Our Lord's teaching.

In the matters coming before us for consideration we find ourselves and the Communions we represent in substantial agreement in their formal pronouncements.

1. So far as other than theological and ecclesiastical factors were causes of the original separation of the bodies we represent, we are agreed that they are no longer operative in any such degree as to block the way to an organic unity.

2. We find complete agreement upon the importance of the principle of the separation of Church and State as guaranteed in the Constitution of the United States. With emphasis differing somewhat in our three bodies upon the values attached to the various expressions of social and moral ideals, we find the common conviction that the Church of Christ has a definite responsibility not only to guide the conscience of individual Christians, but also to infuse through society the principles of God's will as revealed in Jesus Christ. Utterances of the highest representative bodies in our three Communions reveal, however, the equally certain conviction that the function of the Church is not to govern or to seek to govern political action, but to further the influence of Christian principles in society.

3. Our three Communions are as one in recognizing the authority of the Church to teach and guide the individual in the development of his Christian life and to exercise discipline in cases of violation of the fundamental precepts of that life. We find, however, that in all three Communions the tendency is obvious to substitute for such disciplinary methods as culminate in excommunication, the methods of love, persuasion and voluntary penance as being more consonant with Our Lord's teaching.

4. In comparing the pronouncements or customary attitudes of our Communions upon some of the more important moral questions of the day:

(a) We discover an entire unanimity of judgment upon the importance of the Christian home and the meaning of Christian marriage as the life-long union of a man and woman. We discover likewise complete agreement upon the evil of divorce, and that all are humbly and seriously striving to find the mind of Christ and to follow it in legislation upon this serious matter.

(b) In regard to international peace all our Communions have made pronouncements concerning its importance to mankind. All have proclaimed the necessity of a law-governed world, an international order which would express the common interests of humanity for the realization of the Kingdom of God upon earth. All are agreed in the desire to find a substitute for war in the settlement of international controversies.
(c) In racial relations, while our Communions have found it necessary to deal with the situations which face them at home and abroad in many different ways, all have consistently acted upon the principle that all races are one in the sight of God and all constitute together His family.

(d) Our three Communions have taken action from meeting to meeting of their highest representative bodies upon industrial and economic evils and ideals. All such pronouncements recognize the duty of Christians to apply the teaching of Christ to industrial and economic conditions. All find the basis of that teaching in love and fellowship, and believe that the practical application of it in society leads to the achievement of the Kingdom of God through the gradual creation of a co-operative social order.

(e) In educational matters we find three principles of action accepted by all. 1—The basis and the crown of all education is religion. 2—Accepting the separation of Church and State our Communions are agreed, whether by official action or by common consent, to accept with it the necessity of a certain secularization of public education. They agree that their contribution to education must be largely in the field of bringing religion into the public schools and colleges by every means that may be open; and 3—Finally all support and further the work of Church Schools and Colleges, finding in them the most considerable sources of supply for the ministry and other Church workers, regarding them not as substitutes for the public educational system, but as supplements.

Such are the findings of a Conference which will be memorable in the minds of those who took part in it. We refer them now to our several Communions, humbly praying that Our Heavenly Father may bless these our efforts to the end that they may be counted some contribution towards the achievement of that organic Unity for which Our Lord prayed.

HERBERT WELCH, Chairman Methodist Episcopal Commission,

J. ROSS STEVENSON, Chairman Presbyterian Commission,

EDWARD L. PARSONS, Chairman Protestant Episcopal Commission.

The Commission believes that every conference of this kind has definite value in increasing mutual goodwill and understanding. The movement towards unity must proceed not along one line only, but on many parallel lines. Theoretical and universal aspects of it are being treated carefully and consistently in such efforts as the Stockholm and Lausanne Conferences and their Continuation Committee work. Our own Commission on Faith and Order is developing and carrying on our responsibilities towards the latter.

The work of this Commission is of an entirely different character. It deals with practical questions concerning our relations present and future with the two great bodies of Christians who stand historically closest to us in America. We have taken an important step touching the northern branches of the two Communions. We have still to meet with the representatives of the southern branches. Furthermore, the Atlantic City Conference led to cordial expressions on the part of our associates of the desire to go further and to sound out lines of approach other than the moral in the effort to understand one another better and to come closer together.

The Commission therefore asks to be continued and to be given authority to confer on other lines and to fill vacancies.
Resolved, The House of concurring, That the Commission for conference with the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches on Christian Morality in relation to Organic Unity be continued with power to fill vacancies and to confer with the representatives of these other Communions upon lines of approach to Unity other than specifically moral.

RT. REV. EDWARD L. PARSONS, D.D., Chairman,
REV. ROMILLY F. HUMPHRIES, D.D., Secretary.

Other Members:
RT. REV. CHARLES FISKE, D.D. GENERAL CHARLES M. CLEMENT
REV. CHARLES CLINGMAN, D.D. MR. W. L. BALTHES
JUDGE GEORGE F. HENRY

MINORITY REPORT OF GEORGE F. HENRY

The report of the majority referring to the Conference at Atlantic City, states as follows:

"The Commission believes that every conference of this kind has definite value in increasing mutual goodwill and understanding. The movement towards unity must proceed not along one line only, but on many parallel lines. Theoretical and universal aspects of it are being treated carefully and consistently in such efforts as the Stockholm and Lausanne Conferences and their Continuation Committee work. Our own Commission on Faith and Order is developing and carrying on our responsibilities towards the latter.

"The work of this Commission is of an entirely different character"

The conference in question proved to be one upon what the resolution creating the Commission called "matters of Christian Morality," and it was found that there was no room for real differences of opinion between Christian men in relation to any of the matters considered. It was also found that organic unity of the churches represented was in no way involved in any of the findings of the Conference.

The Conference had no definite value in increasing mutual goodwill and understanding upon questions of morality because the measure was already full and overflowing before the Conference was called to order. The subject of organic unity between the churches represented was avoided as it will always be avoided by wise men as long as our Communion continues to occupy positions such as recently gave portions thereof such deserved but unpleasant newspaper notoriety. I object, therefore, to the entire report.

A further reason for my objection is this:

This Commission was not created to pass judgment upon the efforts of the Stockholm and Lausanne Conferences and their Continuation Committee work, or upon the work of our own Commission on Faith and Order. It ought to be sufficient to state that there are many persons who believe the work of these bodies set back organic unity of Protestantism for at least a full generation. The report states, as above quoted: "The work of this Commission is of an entirely different character" from that of the bodies referred to, and I submit this report should be confined to our own work and not made to include work "of a different character."
Recent events have shown that we are utterly without agreement between ourselves on the questions lying at the foundations of organic unity with the great Protestant world. Conferences with other Christians are futile until we reach such agreement.

The majority report finding no reason for any disagreements between ourselves or with our Protestant brethren of other names on any branch of the subject referred to us, concluded with the suggestion that we might well be authorized to go further and sound out lines of approach "other than moral", and asks, therefore, to be continued and to be given authority to confer on other lines.

"Other lines" covers a very large territory, and is without precedent so far as I know. The resolution proposed is subject to the same objection, and opens an uncertain door leading to a still more uncertain path, and I offer the following substitute for such resolution:

"WHEREAS, the report of the Commission appointed to confer with the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches on Christian Morality in relation to organic unity shows that no definite subjects covered by such conference remain unsettled, and the work of the Conference as originally created seems to have been fully completed,

"Therefore, be it Resolved, The House of —— concurring, that the Commission for conference with the Methodist and Presbyterian Churches on Christian Morality in relation to organic unity be discharged, the chairman being instructed to express to our associated conferees of such churches our appreciation of the spirit manifested at the meeting held at Atlantic City in June, 1930."

The Bishop of Central New York, while not in accord with the preamble, concurs in the resolution.

APPENDIX XXIV.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMISSION APPOINTED BY GENERAL CONVENTION IN 1928 ON KING THEOLOGICAL HALL, WASHINGTON, D.C.

At its meeting on April 25th and 26th, 1928, the attention of the National Council was called to the present status of King Theological Hall and the following preambles and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS: The National Council has heard with deep interest the report of the Director of The American Church Institute for Negroes on the King Theological Hall Fund, and

WHEREAS: Mr. Arthur S. Browne, Chancellor of the Diocese of Washington, D.C. has given a written opinion that the funds of the King Theological Hall are the property of the General Church, and has further expressed the opinion that this Fund is in danger of being diverted,

Therefore, be it Resolved, That the President of the National Council appoint a Committee of three (or five) with power, to investigate the status of this Fund and the responsibility of the National Council in connection with it.

Further Resolved, That this Committee shall have power, if the conditions warrant such action, to bring this matter to the attention of
General Convention and endeavor to secure such action as may appear appropriate.

Pursuant to the above resolutions the following Committee was appointed:

Dr. Lewis B. Franklin.
Mr. Arthur S. Browne, Chancellor of the Diocese of Washington.
The Right Rev. F. F. Reese, D.D.
The Rev. Robert W. Patton, D.D.

This Committee made a careful investigation of the status of King Theological Hall and as a result thereof made a report to the National Council at its meeting October 8-9, 1928 asking the authorization of the Council to the presentation to General Convention of the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of concuring, 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 above resolution was adopted by the Council, presented to General Convention in Washington, October, 1928, and adopted by General Convention.

General Convention appointed the following Joint Commission under the above resolution:

The Bishop of Southern Virginia—The Right Rev. Beverly D. Tucker, D.D.
The Bishop of Pennsylvania—The Right Rev. Thomas J. Garland, D.D.
The Rev. John J. Gravatt, Jr., of Southwestern Virginia.
Mr. Arthur S. Browne of Washington, D.C.
Lewis B. Franklin, D.C.L., of Long Island.

The above Joint Commission now reports to the National Council.

Subsequent to the action taken at General Convention, the Bishop Payne Divinity School Board, with the informal consent and approval of the King-Hall Fund Board elected two members of the King-Hall Fund to membership on the Bishop Payne Divinity School Board. These members were the Rev. Charles T. Warner, Mt. St. Alban’s Parish, Washington, D.C., and the Rev. H. T. Cocke, Chevy Chase, Maryland.

The Board of King Theological Hall has on its part elected to its membership the Right Rev. H. St. George Tucker, D.D., and the Rev. Edwin R. Carter, D.D., members of the Board of Directors of the Bishop Payne Divinity School.

The Board of the King-Hall Fund also, out of the total income of the Fund of about $2,700 or $2,800 appropriated $2,000 in scholarships to the Bishop Payne Divinity School, and in addition appropriated $400 more for special scholarships for students from the Diocese of
Washington. Thus, the Board is now appropriating approximately $2,400 to the Divinity School.

For seven or eight years the Bishop Payne Divinity School has been considering the advisability of moving this school from Petersburg, Va., to the vicinity of St. Augustine's College at Raleigh, N.C. On January 27th last the Divinity School Board finally decided, by a large majority of the Board, to move the School to Raleigh. This decision entailed the necessity of forming a new corporation under the laws of North Carolina and the election of a new Board to administer the School and its property when established at Raleigh. This new Board recently met and elected only one member from the Diocese of Washington, the Rev. Mr. Warner.

Since the appointment of the Joint Commission in 1928 the two Bishops on the Commission have died. It is suggested that the Joint Commission be continued to give further consideration to this matter should occasion arise and that the House of Bishops appoint two members of its House on the Commission in place of the two who have died.

APPENDIX XXV.

DIVISION OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN NEW YORK

ACTION OF ANNUAL CONVENTION MAY 21, 1929.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Norton, seconded by the Rev. Dr. Tyler and Mr. H. Sibley, the Convention, unanimously, by vote of each Order York be divided in accordance with the report of the Special Committee to the Diocesan Convention of 1928." (See Diocesan Journal, 1929, p. 26.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Norton, seconded by Rev. Dr. Tyler and Mr. H. Sibley, the Convention, unanimously, by vote of each Order taken separately, adopted the resolution proposed by the Rev. Mr. de Mauriac; namely, that the Diocese of Western New York be divided in accordance with the report of the Special Committee to the Diocesan Convention of 1928. (See Diocesan Journal, 1929, p. 28.)

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Davis (now Bishop Davis) the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted, Tuesday, May 21, 1929:

WHEREAS, in his address to the Ninety-second Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western New York, held in Buffalo, New York, May 20 and 21st, 1929, the Bishop of said Diocese expressed his approval of the division of the existing Diocese; and

WHEREAS, the said Ninety-second Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western New York adopted the following resolution; viz.

Resolved, That the Diocese of Western New York be divided in accordance with the report of the Special Committee to the Diocesan Convention of 1928; and

WHEREAS, it is evident from said report and from careful investigation that a new diocese comprising the counties of Monroe, Livingston, Alleghany, Steuben, Schuyler, Yates, Ontario, and Wayne, will contain more than six, to-wit about thirty-eight parishes, and more than six, to-wit about fifty 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; and

Whereas, the erection of such new diocese will leave in the existing diocese, comprising the counties of Niagara, Erie, Chautauqua, Cattaraugus, Orleans, Genesee, and Wyoming, more than twelve, to-wit about forty-five parishes, and more than twelve, to-wit about fifty-three Presbyters who have been canonically resident therein for a year or more and are qualified to vote for a Bishop; and

Whereas, the records of the existing diocese show that the income received by the existing diocese for its own purposes from the counties of the proposed new diocese amounted, in 1928, to $50,948.00, which is a sum sufficient to support a Bishop and also to care for existing missionary work in said counties; now,

Therefore, be it Resolved, subject to consent of General Convention, That a new diocese be formed by division of the existing diocese of Western New York, said new diocese to comprise the counties of Monroe, Livingston, Allegany, Steuben, Schuyler, Yates, Ontario and Wayne; this action to become effective when the Bishop of Western New York shall see fit, with the advice of the Executive Council, to call the primary convention of said new diocese and the new diocese shall have organized in accordance with the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention; and further

Resolved, That this Ninety-second Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western New York ask, and it does hereby ask the consent of the next General Convention to the formation of said new diocese, as above described, and further

Resolved, That the Bishop and Deputies from this Diocese to the next General Convention be and they are hereby instructed to lay before said General Convention a certified copy of this preamble and these resolutions, with the petition embodied therein, and such other papers, including the report of the Committee on Division of the Diocese, as may be necessary in the premises. (See Diocesan Journal, 1929, pp. 28,29.)

On motion the Special Committee on Division was continued with authority to perfect plans for the division of Diocesan Funds and report to the Next Convention of the Diocese.

CERTIFICATION

On this 20th day of August, 1931, I, G. Sherman Burrows, Secretary of the Diocesan Convention in which the above resolutions were adopted, do hereby certify that the matter set forth in this paper is a correct record of the final action taken by the Annual Convention of the Diocese of Western New York (May 21, 1929, at St. John's Church, Buffalo, N.Y.) in its decision to seek permission to divide.

(Signed) G. SHERMAN BURROWS,
Secretary of the Convention.

As Bishop of the Diocese of Western New York I give my approval to the action referred to above.

DAVID LINCOLN FERRIS.
APPENDIX XXVI.

DIOCESES OF NEWARK AND NEW JERSEY
CHANGE IN THE BOUNDARY LINE

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America:

The joint memorial of the Diocese of Newark and the Diocese of New Jersey respectfully prays the ratification and approval by the General Convention of a change in the boundary line between the Diocese of Newark and the Diocese of New Jersey, which has been agreed upon by said two dioceses.

The present boundary line at the locality of the proposed change is the line separating the counties of Morris and Somerset. It happens that between the villages of Millington, in Morris County, and Liberty Corner, in Somerset County, and south of the main road connecting them, the Diocese of Newark has an institution for boys called the "Bonnie Brae Farm" consisting of a considerable tract of land and a number of buildings thereon. This institution, being in Somerset County, is at present within the Diocese of New Jersey. On the other hand, in the County of Morris, and Diocese of Newark, just north of Gladstone, is part of the property and buildings of St. Bernard's School for boys, connected with the Parish of St. Bernard's, at Bernardsville, in the Diocese of New Jersey.

After negotiation the two dioceses above named have agreed to a change in the diocesan line at Gladstone, to enclose the St. Bernard's School property within the Diocese of New Jersey, and a like change in the line between Millington and Liberty Corner to include the Bonnie Brae Farm within the Diocese of Newark.

The areas of the two tracts to be reciprocally ceded are substantially equal; and the boundaries of both follow existing roads and water courses, except that in one instance the meridian line separating two townships of Morris County is used.

Your memorialists, the Dioceses of Newark and New Jersey, therefore pray, that the proposed exchange of territory be ratified and confirmed by the General Convention.

For convenience, copies of committee reports to the Conventions of the two Dioceses, with maps and descriptions of the two tracts proposed to be exchanged, attached thereto, are appended to this memorial as exhibits and made a part hereof.

The Diocese of Newark,
By Wilson R. Stearly, Bishop.

Attest: J. Fred. Hamblin, Secretary.

The Diocese of New Jersey,
By Paul Matthews, Bishop.

Attest: W. H. Moor, Secretary.
APPENDIX XXVII.

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 1931, 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 1934:

Amend Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution by inserting the words "the close of" after the word "until" so that the sentence shall read: "The Bishop so elected shall serve until the close of the next General Convention."

Resolved, 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 II., Section 6, of the Constitution to read as follows:

"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 prescribed by the Canons of General Convention."

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:

Amend Article II., Section 3, of the Constitution by adding the words, "A Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor shall be eligible as Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, or he may be elected by the House of Bishops as a Missionary Bishop."

Amend Article II., Section 6, of the Constitution by adding to the present Article the following:

Provided that this Article shall not apply to a Bishop resigning to accept other Episcopal election."

FRANK ARTHUR McELWAIN,
JOHN THOMSON DALLAS,
On behalf of the House of Bishops.

HERBERT H. POWELL,
WILLIAM J. BATTLE,
On behalf of the House of Deputies.

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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 cer-
tifies that the following changes were made in the Canons by the said General Convention:

Amend Canon 7, § VI., [i.] so as to read as follows:

§ 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.

or

(c) Three Presbyters of this Church who have known the candidate for the space of three years last past; or

(d) Should the candidate within the space of three years last past have been a Minister or Licentiate in some other body of Christians, by three Presbyters of this Church as to the period during which he has been a candidate, and by six adult male members in good standing of the denomination from which the candidate came, as to the period, within the space of three years last past, before he became a candidate.

Amend Canon 9, § I. [i.], by inserting after the words “§ II” the words “or by a Suffragan Bishop when requested by the Bishop of a Diocese,” so that this section as amended will read as follows:

§ 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, § II., or by a Suffragan Bishop when requested by the Bishop of a Diocese, 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.

Amend Canon 13, § 1 [ii.] by inserting in line 8 the words “or President of the Province” so that it shall read “by himself or the President of the Province and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops, etc.”

Amend Canon 13, § I. [iii.] by inserting in line 23 the words, “or President of the Synod,” so that it shall read, “by himself or the President of the Synod and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops, etc.”

Amend Canon 14, § V. [ii.] by adding after the words “Bishop of this Church” the following, “who has a seat and vote in the House of Bishops,” so that the clause as amended reads:

[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, “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 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.

Amend Canon 24, § I. by striking out the words “unmarried or widowed,” and the final sentence.

Amend Canon 24, § II. to read as follows:

§ II. The duty of a Deaconess is to teach and especially to assist the minister in the preparation of candidates for Baptism and Confirmation; to assist in the administration of Holy Baptism by virtue of her office and in the absence of the priest or deacon to baptize infants; to conduct the Choir office; to lead in prayer and when licensed by the bishop to instruct and preach except in the service of Holy Communion; to care for the sick, the afflicted and the poor and to labor in all ways for the extension of Christ’s Church.

Amend Canon 27 to read as follows:

§ I. A Bishop, Presbyter, 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.
(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, however, that in the case of a Presbyter or Deacon charged with this offence, before proceeding to a presentment, the consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the Presbyter or Deacon is canonically resident, shall be required.

Upon a Presbyter or Deacon being found guilty, such Presbyter or Deacon shall be admonished, or shall be suspended or deposed from the Sacred Ministry, as shall be adjudged by the Trial Court, except as provided in Canon 38, § III.

§ II. In the case of a Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 Presiding Bishop, in the case of a Bishop, and in the case of a Presbyter or Deacon, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or of the Council of Advice of the Missionary District in which he is canonically resident,
to institute an inquiry into the matter. If in the judgment of either, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to cause that he be presented, for trial.

§ III. No presentment shall be made or conviction had for any offence, unless the offence shall have been committed within five years immediately preceding the time of the presentment, except that in a case of a conviction in a Court of Record exercising criminal jurisdiction as aforesaid, a presentment may be made at any time within one year after such conviction notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since the commission of the offence.

Amend Canon 28 to read as follows:

§ I. Bishops, Presbyters and Deacons are amenable for offences committed by them; a Bishop to a Court of Bishops and a Presbyter or Deacon, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, or the Missionary District, in which he is canonically resident at the time the charge is made.

§ II. A notice or citation required by any law of this Church to any Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 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.

Amend Canon 29 to read as follows:

§ I. In each Diocese and Missionary District there shall be an Ecclesiastical Court for the trial of any Presbyter or Deacon thereof, and it shall be the duty of each Diocese and Missionary District to provide by Canon for the establishment of such Court and the mode of conducting trials in the same.

§ II. 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 served with notice of the decision of the Court in the manner specified in Canon 28, § III., nor in case an appeal is taken shall sentence be pronounced pending the hearing and determination thereof.

§ III. In each of the Provinces there shall be a Court of Review of the trial of a Presbyter or Deacon, 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.

§ IV. 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, shall continue to be members of the Court for the term of three years and until their successors shall be elected.

The Bishop elected by the Synod shall be the Presiding Officer of the Court.

§ V. 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.

§ VI. 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 of the 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 the Council of Advice of the Missionary District within which a trial was had shall appeal from a decision of the 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 only, and that the decision shall not be held to reverse the acquittal of the accused on other charges than these. But such an appeal by the Standing Committee or Council of Advice 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 held or (in case of his inability to act), the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, 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 Court of Review by serving a written notice of appeal on the Bishop or Standing Committee or Council of the Missionary District wherein the trial was had or (in case of his inability to act), the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, may be taken by the service by the appellant of a written notice of appeal 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 52, § 1., 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.

§ VII. 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 Council of Advice of the Missionary District wherein the trial was
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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 decision of the Trial Court, including 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.

§ VIII. 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 Council of Advice of the Missionary District in which the trial was had. When the appeal is from the decision of a Trial Court in any Missionary District such notice 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 deliver copies of the record.

§ 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.

The Church Advocate shall be deemed to be the opposite party for the purposes of this and the succeeding Canons.

§ X. At the time and place appointed, the Court shall organize, 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. 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, in its discretion, may dismiss the appeal for want of prosecution, or may proceed to hear and determine the appeal in his absence.

§ XII. The concurrence of two-thirds of the members of a Court present 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 two-thirds of the 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 Council of Advice of the 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. All records remitted as herein provided shall be deposited and be preserved among the archives of the jurisdiction to which they are sent.

§ XIII. The Court of Review for the trial of a Presbyter or Deacon shall not pronounce sentence on the affirmation of a conviction. When the appeal is so determined, upon receipt of the record by the Bishop or Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the jurisdiction of the Trial Court, the accused shall be sentenced in accordance with Canon 38, the provisions of which shall be complied with.

§ XIV. [i.] There shall be a Court for the trial of a Bishop constituted as follows: The House of Bishops shall choose three Bishops to serve as judges of said court for a term of three years, three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for a term of six years, and three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for a 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.

[ii.] The Court is vested with jurisdiction to try a Bishop who is duly charged with any one or more of the offences specified in Canon 27.

[iii.] Not less than six of said judges shall constitute a quorum, but any less number may adjourn the Court from time to time.

§ XV. There shall be a Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, which shall be composed of Bishops only and shall be constituted as follows:

The House of Bishops shall choose three Bishops who shall serve as Judges of the Court of 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 the term of nine years in place of those whose term of office shall then have expired.

§ XVI. The said Court of Review is vested with jurisdiction to hear and determine appeals from the determination of the Court for the Trial of a Bishop; 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.

§ XVII. Not less than six Judges shall constitute a quorum and the concurrence of six Judges shall be necessary to pronounce a judgment, but any less number may adjourn the Court from time to time.

Provided, however, that the Judges of the Court for the Trial of a Bishop or of a Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, heretofore elected under the provisions of Canons 29 and 32, respectively, as said Canons existed prior to the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, shall continue in office for the terms for which they were respectively elected.

§ XVIII. (1) No person shall sit as a member of any Court who is a presenter of charges or is related to the accused or either of them
by affinity or consanguinity in a direct ascending or descending line,
or as a brother, uncle, nephew or first cousin, nor shall any Bishop,
nor any Presbyter, nor any 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 shall any Bishop, 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.

(2) The death, permanent disability, resignation or refusal to
serve as a member of any Court shall constitute a vacancy in the
Court.

Notices of resignations or refusals to serve shall be given as
follows:

[i.] By any Bishop chosen to serve as a member of the Court for
the trial of a Bishop or of the Court of Review of the Trial of a
Bishop; written notice sent to the Presiding Bishop.

[ii.] By the President of the Court of Review of the Trial of a
Presbyter or Deacon written notice sent to the President of the Pro-
vincial Synod.

[iii.] By a Presbyter or Layman of such Court; written notice
sent to the President of said Court.

(3) If any Presbyter appointed to a Board of Inquiry shall be-
come a Bishop or any Layman appointed to said Board shall become
a Presbyter before the final disposition of the charge he shall thereby
vacate his place as a member of the Board.

§ XIX. Vacancies occurring in any of the Courts may be filled
as follows:

(1) In the case of disqualification of any Judge of any Court, the
remaining Judges of the said Court shall appoint a Judge to take the
place of the one so disqualified in that particular case.

(2) In the case of a vacancy in the Court for the Trial of a Bish-
lop or in the Court of Review of the trial of a Bishop the remaining
Judges thereafter 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 shall serve during the re-
main ing of the term.

(3) In the case of death, permanent disability, resignation or re-
fusal to serve, or the removal from the province of the Bishop ap-
pointed as a member of the Court of Review of the Trial of a Presby-
ter or Deacon, the President of the Provincial Synod shall give writ-
ten notice thereof to the Bishop senior by consecration in the Prov-
ince. Thereupon the Bishop so notified shall become a member of the
Court until a new appointment shall be made. If in a particular case
the Bishop so appointed is unable or unwilling to serve as a member
of the Court he shall notify the President of the Provincial Synod of
this fact, who shall thereupon appoint the Bishop next senior by con-
secration in that Province.

(4) In case a vacancy shall exist in the membership of the Court
of Review in any Province, among the clerical or lay members origi-
nally chosen, or in case any of them shall be disqualified or unable to
sit in a particular case, the President of the Court shall appoint other
Presbyters or Laymen residing in the Province to fill such vacancy
and to sit as members of said Court.

(5) In the case of a vacancy for any cause in the Board of Inquiry
the Presiding Bishop shall appoint another Presbyter or another Lay-
man, as the case may be, to act as a member of the Board, who upon acceptance of appointment, shall become a member of the Board.

All of the provisions of the Canons relating to persons originally appointed as members of the several Courts or Boards of Inquiry or Commissions, shall apply to those persons appointed in succession to the persons originally appointed, and all proceedings which may have been taken on any cause 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, Board or Commission, when such cause was commenced, and such appointee may participate in the continuing hearing and determination of the said cause.

If the term for which a member of a Court, Board or Commission was chosen shall have expired during the course of a hearing or trial, said member shall notwithstanding be competent to act in the cause until the termination of the trial or hearing.

§ XX. [i.] The procedure in Diocesan Courts shall be as provided by the Canons of the respective Dioceses or Missionary Districts.

[ii.] The Court for the Trial of a Bishop and the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop shall from time to time elect from its own membership a Presiding Judge who shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which he was chosen Judge. If in any proceeding before said Courts the Presiding Judge is disqualified or is for any cause unable to act, the Court shall elect a Bishop as Presiding Judge pro tempore.

[iii.] The several Courts shall appoint clerks and if necessary assistant clerks who shall be Presbyters of this Church to serve during the pleasure of the Court.

The several Courts may appoint not less than two nor more than three lay communicants of this Church learned in the law, as assessors. They shall have no vote. 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 is theological, it shall be decided by the Court by a majority of the votes.

The several Courts may adopt rules of procedure not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons of this Church, with power to alter or rescind the same from time to time.

§ XXI. In the conduct of investigations preliminary to presentments, as well as in all trials, the laws of the civil jurisdiction in which such investigation or trial is had so far as they relate to evidence shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which said Board of Inquiry, Commission, or Court, shall be governed, and trials shall be conducted according to the principles of the common law as the same is generally administered in the United States except in those Dioceses where Ecclesiastical Courts are provided for by Constitution or Statute, in which case the same shall govern.

No determination or judgment of any Court shall be disturbed for technical errors not going to the merits of the cause.

The several Courts shall keep a record of all their proceedings.

§ XXII. The various Courts shall permit 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, but in every trial or investigation the several Courts may regulate the number of counsel who may address the Court or examine witnesses.
The President, or any other member of the several Courts, shall upon application of either the Church Advocate or the accused issue subpoenas for witnesses, but before doing so the person who issues the same shall first be satisfied that the testimony sought to be adduced is material and that the witness is one whom the Court would be willing to hear upon the trial, otherwise he may refuse to issue the same.

When the several Courts are not in session, if there is a vacancy in the office of the President, the Bishop who is senior by consecration shall perform the duties of the office of President.

If in the course of a trial it becomes necessary to take the testimony of absent witnesses, it may be taken upon a commission as such commissions are authorized by the common law in the jurisdiction in which the trial takes place, and in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of a witness at the forthcoming 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 desiring to take such depositions shall give the opposite party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking depositions, 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. Such testimony shall be preceded by a written declaration of the witness similar to that of a witness testifying in person before the Court for the trial of a Bishop.

In any Diocese in which the Civil Government shall have authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts therein to issue subpoenas for witnesses or to administer an oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such law. Provided, however, that no deposition shall be taken, or read at the trial, unless the Court shall deem such testimony to be material and also have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, and the several Courts shall have power to limit the scope of the testimony and the number of witnesses to be examined and whose depositions shall be taken.

§ XXIII. Where a presentment of a Bishop is made by any three Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction, they may select a Church Advocate as legal adviser. The Presiding Bishop upon the receipt of written charges or written demand under the provisions ofSections III or IV of Canon 30 shall at the same time that the Board of Inquiry is appointed as provided in Section V of said Canon 30 appoint a Church Advocate to act as the legal adviser of the Board.

In all trials and upon all appeals the several Courts may appoint a Church Advocate with or without assistants, all of whom shall be of the profession of the law, and communicants of the Church, to appear in behalf of the Church upon such trial or appeal. The Church Advocate shall then be considered the party on one side, and the accused the party on the other.

§ XXIV. The necessary charges and expenses of the Court of Review of the trial of a Presbyter or Deacon, including the necessary expenses of the Church Advocate and Lay Assessors, shall be a charge upon the Province and shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Synod of
such Province upon the order of the President of the Synod. Similar charges in the case of the trial of a Bishop, and of the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, shall be paid by the Treasurer of General Convention upon the order of the President of such Courts.

The necessary expenses of Boards of Inquiry or Commissions appointed under the Canons of this Church to make preliminary investigation and to report upon charges presented, including therein the necessary expenses of Church Advocates appointed to assist such Boards or Commissions, shall be a charge upon the General Convention, or upon the Province, or the Diocese, or the Missionary District, as the case may be. They shall be paid by the respective Treasurers of General Convention, of the Synod or Province, or of the Diocese or of the Missionary District, upon the order of the President of the several Courts.

Amend Canon 30 to read as follows:

§ I. The mode of presentment of a Presbyter or Deacon shall be that provided by the Canons of the several Dioceses or Missionary Districts wherein the accused is canonically resident.

§ II. A Bishop may be presented by any three Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction, for holding and teaching publicly or privately and advisedly, doctrine contrary to that held by this Church. Such presentment shall be in writing, signed and verified by the Bishops presenting, and shall be delivered to the Presiding Bishop.

§ III. A Bishop may be charged with one or more of the offenses specified in Canon 27, other than that of holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, by three Bishops or 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 of the Church. The grounds of accusation must be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, place and circumstance.

§ IV. Whenever a Bishop shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports, or allegations affecting his personal or official 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.

§ V. The Presiding Bishop, upon the receipt of such written charges or such written demand, shall 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.

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.
The testimony shall be stenographically reported, and shall be preserved in the custody of the Presiding Bishop or in the archives of the House of Bishops. The proceedings of the Board of Inquiry shall be private.

§ VI. 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 a 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 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 heretofore provided.

§ VII. 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 V, who shall consider the case de novo.

§ VIII. 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, in the manner provided in Canon 28.

§ IX. 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 of the Church.

Amend Canon 31 to read as follows:

§ 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 cer-
tain 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 Bish-
op, unless the same be of such difficult access, in the judgment of the
President of the Court, that reasonable convenience requires the ap-
pointment of another place; and in case the accused have no jurisdic-
tion, at a place within the Diocese or Missionary District in which he
has his domicile. 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.

§ 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 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
defense.

[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 pro-
nounced against him by the Court at the expiration of three months,
unless at that time he shall appear and take his trial upon the present-
ment. 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 in accordance with §§ XX, XXI and XXII of Canon 29.
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 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."

§ IV. 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
case 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.

§ V. 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 Court shall also, if the accused is found guilty of any charge or specification, determine and embody in the written decision the penalty which it shall adjudge should be imposed upon the accused, which penalty may be admonition or suspension or deposition from the ministry, as shall be by the Court adjudged; and the decision so signed shall be recorded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be judgment nisi until it becomes final as hereinafter stated.

§ VI. 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. If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, he may file a motion for a new trial and for a modification of penalty. Any such motion or motions shall be filed within 30 days from the date of the filing of the decision, and the motion shall set forth all the reasons therefor, and no other shall be relied on at the hearing of the motion without the consent of the Court. The President of the Court shall set a place and time for hearing the motion and shall reconvene the Court to hear and determine the same.

The Court may in the interest of justice grant a new trial or modify the penalty. If the motion for a new trial is granted the President of the Court shall set a time and place for the new trial, and notify the parties and the members of the Court of such time and place. If the motion for a new trial is overruled, the judgment nisi as to the guilt of the accused shall become final, but the Court in the exercise of its discretion may modify or change the penalty, and shall in writing signed by a majority of the Court direct what penalty is to be incorporated in the final judgment to be recorded by the Clerk. If no motion for a new trial or for modification of sentence shall be filed within the time limited for filing such motions, the Clerk of the Court shall on the next secular day enter, as final, the judgment rendered by the Court. An appeal from a final judgment of a Court for the Trial of a Bishop to the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop, as provided in Canon 32, may be taken within sixty days from the entry of such judgment.

After the entry of final judgment, the President of the Court shall appoint a time and place not less than 60 days thereafter for pronouncing sentence. At the time and place appointed, if the accused shall not have an appeal pending in the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, or the action of the Court of Review has not made it unnecessary for the Trial Court to proceed to pronounce sentence, the President of the Court or a member thereof designated in writing by a majority of the members thereof to do so, shall in the presence of the accused, if he shall see fit to attend, pronounce the sentence which has been adjudged by the Court, and direct the same to be recorded by the Clerk.

§ 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.
[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 kept in the depositary of the Registrar of the General Convention, and shall be open to the inspection of every member of this Church.

Amend Canon 38 to read as follows:

§ I. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted on a Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon, in this Church, the sentence shall specify on what terms and on what 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. [i.] If a Presbyter or Deacon is liable to sentence upon conviction by a Court of Review, sentence shall be imposed by the Bishop of the jurisdiction in which the original trial of the accused was had, or in case such Bishop is disqualified or there be no Bishop of that jurisdiction, by another Bishop by the request of its Standing Committee or Council of Advice, and it shall be lawful for the Bishop of the jurisdiction or for such other Bishop in his discretion to pronounce a lesser sentence than that adjudged by the Court. The Bishop to act shall appoint a time and place for pronouncing such sentence and shall cause notice thereof in writing to be served upon the accused in the manner provided in Canon 28 at least thirty days before the time appointed.

[iii.] In the case of renunciation of the Ministry as provided in Canon 34, and in case of the abandonment of the communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon as provided by Canon 36, sentence of deposition shall be pronounced and notice thereof given as in said Canon respectively provided.

[iii.] If the sentence to be pronounced upon a Presbyter or Deacon be deposition, the Bishop acting in the matter shall pronounce and record the same in the presence of two or more Presbyters.

[iv.] In case an accused Presbyter or Deacon 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.

[v.] After a Presbyter or Deacon shall have been convicted by a Trial Court of a crime or immorality rendering him liable to canonical sentence, the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District shall have the right to suspend him from all public ministrations. Such suspension shall 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 accused was canonically resident; 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.

IV. No sentence shall be pronounced until an opportunity shall have been given to the accused either on conviction or on confession
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 to pronounce sentence.

V. When a Bishop is liable to sentence under a judgment of a Trial Court or under a judgment of a Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop on an appeal to said Court of Review, the sentence to be imposed, the Bishop to pronounce the same, and the procedure to be followed in imposing sentence shall be as provided in the several Canons governing the procedure of said Courts.

VI. In the case of the suspension or deposition of a Bishop it shall be the duty of the Presiding Bishop to give notice of the same to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary District of this Church and to the Recorder and the Secretary of the House of Bishops and to all Archbishops and Metropolitans, and all Presiding Bishops of Churches in communion with this Church.

VII. A Bishop found guilty upon a presentment for a crime or immorality shall not, on 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.

The result of the revision of the Canons in the foregoing copy eliminates two of the present Canons; Canon 40 becomes Canon 38 which necessitates further renumbering.

Amend Canon 43 to read as follows:

Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony

§ I. Ministers of this Church shall within their Cures give instruction both publicly and privately, on the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities and the mutual love and forbearance which it requires.

§ II. Ministers of this Church shall conform to the laws of the State governing the civil contract of marriage, and also to the laws of this Church governing the solemnization of Holy Matrimony.

§ III. [i.] No Minister of this Church shall solemnize any marriage before the following conditions have been carefully complied with:

(a) He shall ascertain by due inquiry the right of the parties according to the laws of this Church to contract a marriage.

(b) He shall instruct the contracting parties as to the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities, and the means of grace which God has provided through His Church.

[ii.] There shall be at least two witnesses present at the solemnization of the marriage.

[iii.] 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, by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

[iiv.] No marriage shall be solemnized by a Minister of this Church unless the intention of the contracting parties shall have been signified to the Minister at least three days before the service of solemnization.

§ IV. If one party to a marriage so grievously offend the other that the security or permanence of the home is imperiled it shall be
the duty of the offended party to lay the matter before a Minister of
the Church; and it shall be the duty of such Minister to labor that the
parties may be reconciled.

§ V. 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. Nor 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 satis­
factory 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, be laid
before the Ecclesiastical Authority, and such Ecclesiastical Authority,
having taken legal advice thereon, shall have declared in writing that
in his judgment the case of the applicant conforms to the require­
ments of this Canon; and Provided, further, that it shall be within the
discretion of any Minister to decline to solemnize any marriage.

§ VI. [i.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled
or dissolved by a civil court may apply to the Bishop or to the Eccle­
siastical Court constituted by Canon, of the Diocese or Missionary
District of the said person's domicile to have the said marriage de­
clared null and void by reason of any of the following impediments
to marriage:

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood)
within the following degrees:
   (a) One may not marry one's ascendant or descendant.
   (b) One may not marry one's sister.
   (c) One may not marry the sister or brother of one's ascend­
ant or the descendant of one's brother or sister.

2. Lack of free consent of either party.
3. Mistake as to the identity of either party.
4. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exer­
cise of intelligent choice.
5. Insanity of either party.
6. Failure of either party to have reached the age of puberty.
7. Impotence of either party undisclosed to the other.
8. The existence of venereal disease in either party.
9. Facts which would make the proposed marriage bigamous.

[ii.] The Bishop in such case, after taking legal advice thereon, or
the Ecclesiastical Court proceeding in accordance with the canons and
acting through the Bishop, shall render judgment in writing to the
petitioner. All judgments rendered under this Canon by the Bishop or
the Ecclesiastical Court shall be made matters of permanent record in
the archives of the Diocese or Missionary District. No such judgment
shall be construed as referring in any way to the legitimacy of children
or the civil validity of the former relationship.

[iii.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or
dissolved by a civil court and pronounced null by the Bishop, may be
married by a Minister of this Church as if he had never previously been married.

§ VII. [i.] If any Minister of this Church shall have cause to think that a person desirous of Holy Baptism, or of Confirmation, or of receiving 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. The Bishop, after due inquiry into the circumstances, and taking into consideration the godly discipline both of justice and of mercy, shall give his judgment thereon in writing. Provided, however, that no Minister shall in any case refuse these ordinances to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

[ii.] Any persons who have been married by civil authority, or otherwise than as this Church provides may apply to the Bishop or to the Ecclesiastical Court of their domicile for the recognition of communicant status or for the right to apply for Holy Baptism or Confirmation. After due inquiry into all the facts relevant thereto, judgment shall be given in writing to the petitioners by the Bishop or by the Ecclesiastical Court acting through the Bishop. In case of a favorable decision, a Minister of this Church may, at his discretion, bless the parties to the union.

Amend Canon 46, “Of the Standard Book of Common Prayer”, Section V. to read as follows:

§ V. No copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer, or a part or parts thereof, 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. And no copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer, or a part or parts thereof, shall be made, printed, published, or used as of authority in this Church, or certified as aforesaid, which contains or is bound up with any alterations or additions thereto, or with any other matter, except the Holy Scriptures or the authorized Hymnal of this Church.

Amend Canon 53 by omitting § II. and renumbering the Sections that follow.

Amend Canon 60, Article I, to read as follows:

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.

Amend Canon 60, Article II. to read as follows:

ARTICLE II. The National Council, as constituted by Canon, shall be its Board of Directors, and shall adopt by-laws for its government not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons.

Amend Canon 60, Article III., to read as follows:

ARTICLE III. The officers of the Society shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers as may be appointed in accordance with the Canons or by-laws. The President shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church, elected in accordance with the Constitution,
and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Presiding Bishop, caused by death, resignation or inability to serve, the Presiding Officer of the National Council shall be ex-officio President of the Society. The two Vice-Presidents shall be the persons who are the Vice-Presidents of the National Council and they shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them 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 other officers of the Society shall be such as are provided for by the by-laws thereof. 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.

Amend Canon 61, § I. [ii.] so as to read as follows:

[iii.] The Presiding Bishop shall be, ex-officio, the President of the Council. In case of a vacancy in the office of the Presiding Bishop, caused by death, resignation or in case of inability to serve, so much of his duties as pertain to the National Council shall be performed by the First Vice-President of the National Council, or in case of his death, resignation or inability to serve, the Second Vice-President of the National Council as President thereof, to serve until a Presiding Bishop shall have been elected in accordance with the constitution and shall have taken office.

Amend Canon 61, § II. [i.] so as to read as follows:

[i.] The National Council, herein referred to as the Council, shall be composed of sixteen members elected by the General Convention, of whom four shall be Bishops, four shall be Presbyters, and eight shall be Laymen, two Bishops, two Presbyters, and four Laymen to be elected at each triennial meeting of General Convention; 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, the Vice-Presidents and the Treasurer of the Council shall be ex-officio members thereof.

Amend Canon 61, § II. [ii.] so as to read as follows:

[ii.] The term of office of the members of the Council elected by the General Convention (other than the ex-officio members) shall be six years, commencing on the ensuing first day of January and the term of office of the members elected by the Provincial Synods shall be three years, commencing on the first day of January following the ensuing regular meeting of the General Convention, and all such members shall remain in office until their duly elected successors are entitled, respectively, to assume their offices.

No member of the Council, elected by a Provincial Synod, who, at the expiration of his then current term will have served for six consecutive years shall be eligible for immediate re-election.

Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the death or resignation of a member elected by the General Convention or through the change in status of any such member by consecration or ordina-
tion the Council shall fill such vacancy by the election of a suitable person to serve until his successor is elected by General Convention. The General Convention shall elect a suitable person to serve the portion of any term which will remain unexpired.

Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the failure of any Provincial Synod to elect a member, or through the death, resignation or removal from the Province, of any such member, the President and Executive Council of the Province shall appoint a suitable person, canonically resident in such Province, to serve until the Provincial Synod shall by election fill the vacancy.

Amend Canon 61, § II. [iii.], Second Paragraph, to read as follows:

[iii.] In its capacity as the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society the Council shall have the power to direct the disposition of the moneys and other property of said Society in accordance with the provisions of this Canon and the orders and budgets adopted or approved by the General Convention.

Amend Canon 61, § III. [i.] so as to read as follows:

[i.] The President shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, two male communicants of the Church, either clerical or lay, to be Vice-Presidents of the Council who shall be ex-officio members thereof. They shall be designated by the President and the Council as First and Second Vice-President, respectively. Each of such Vice-Presidents shall be the Vice-Chairman and a member of such of the Departments, organized under the provisions of § V. hereof, as may be assigned by the President and Council to his charge, and shall perform such other duties as may from time to time be assigned by the President.

Amend Canon 61, § IV. [ii.] to read as follows:

[ii.] The Presiding Bishop and the Council shall appoint such Assistant Treasurers as may be necessary, to hold office during their pleasure, and until their successors are appointed.

Amend Canon 61, § IV. [v.] by striking out the entire Clause [v].

Amend Canon 61, § V. [i.] to read as follows:

[i.] The Council shall organize the following executive Departments and shall define their duties:

First: A Department of Domestic Missions.
Second: A Department of Foreign Missions.
Third: A Department of Religious Education.
Fourth: A Department of Christian Social Service.
Fifth: A Department of Finance.
Sixth: A Department of Publicity.
Seventh: 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.

Amend Canon 61, § V. [ii.] to read as follows:

[ii.] Each Department may appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, additional members as provided by the By-Laws, 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.
Amend Canon 61, § V. by adding a new Clause to be numbered [v.],
to read as follows:

[v.] The Council shall also organize an Advisory Commission on
Ecclesiastical Relations, with such officers attached thereto as the
Presiding Bishop and the National Council may from time to time
determine.

Amend Canon 61, § VI. [i.] to read as follows:

[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 request of the
Presiding Officer or at the written request of any nine members
thereof.

Amend Canon 61, § VI. [ii.] to read as follows:

[ii.] Nine elected members of the Council shall be necessary to
constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Council.

Amend Canon 61, § VII. [ii.] to read as follows:

[ii.] The salary of each Bishop of a Missionary District shall be
paid by the Treasurer. Such salary shall date from the Bishop's con-
secration or from the date of his translation, if he be already conse-
crated, and shall not be diminished without his consent while such
Bishop remains in charge of a District.

Amend Canon 61, § VIII. [ii.] to read as follows:

[ii.] There shall be joint sessions of the two Houses for the pre-
sentation of such program; and thereafter consideration shall be given
and appropriate action taken thereon by the General Convention. The
Council shall have the power to expend all sums of money covered by
the budget and estimated budgets approved by the Convention, sub-
ject to such restrictions as may be imposed by General 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 Council, the need for which may have arisen
after the action of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the
Council its income will warrant.

Amend Canon 61, § XI. to read as follows:

§ 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 commun-
ion 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 in exceptional cases.

Amend Canon 17, § II. to read as follows:

§ II. The Presiding Bishop, when elected according to the pro-
visions of Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution, shall hold office
for a term of six years, dating from the first day of January succeed-
ing the General Convention at which he was elected. Except that
when a Presiding Bishop has been elected by the House of Bishops to
fill a vacancy, as provided for in the second paragraph of Article I.,
Section III., of the Constitution, the Presiding Bishop elected by the
next General Convention shall take office immediately.
Amend Canon 18, § II. [ii.]

[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 President of his Province.

Amend Canon 18, § VII. [v.]

[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, less whatever allowance such Bishop may receive, from time to time, from the Church Pension Fund. Such retiring allowance may be revised whenever such retired Bishop shall receive a regular stipend from any ecclesiastical employment.

Amend Canon 18, § VIII. to read as follows:

§ 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 except the Canons entitled, "Of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society," and "Of the Presiding Bishop and the National Council."

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October 1, 1931.
APPENDIX XXIX.

RULES OF ORDER—HOUSE OF BISHOPS
AS AMENDED, 1931

FIRST DAY OF 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 Bishops may assign to him any duties connected 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 debates, 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**

1. 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 of 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.
15. On the General Theological Seminary.
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 hav-
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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 Suffragan 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 herein 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. The decision of the Chair shall stand unless overruled by a two-thirds majority of the members present. 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 messages 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. A motion for a Committee of Conference shall be in order only when the House of Deputies has amended a measure adopted by this House.

XXIII. 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.

XXIV. 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.

XXV. The body known as the Bishops in Council, as an assembly 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.

XXVI. 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.

XXVII. 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.

XXVIII. Meetings of the House of Bishops shall be held annually, except in the year when the General Convention meets, at the call of the Presiding Bishop. Such meetings shall be for conference and mutual counsel, and for such business as may be considered by the House of Bishops when meeting apart from the General Convention. Notice for such meetings shall be mailed three months in advance, stating the time and place of meeting.

Other special meetings may be summoned by the Presiding Bishop.

In the event of the death or resignation of the Presiding Bishop, the Senior Bishop shall call a special meeting as prescribed by the Constitution.

Notice of such special meetings other than the annual meeting, shall be mailed at least 45 days before the first day of the proposed meeting. A request shall accompany the notice that an answer shall be returned from each Bishop, stating whether he shall be able to attend or no. In the event of the failure to obtain a favorable reply from a sufficient number of Bishops to constitute a majority of the whole House, notice of such failure shall be sent to each of the Bishops at least 12 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.

The call for the special meeting, other than the annual meeting, shall state the business to be considered. No other business shall be considered except with the consent of a two-thirds majority of those present and entitled to vote.

XXIX. 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.

*See Collect, Epistle and Gospel on pages 11 and 12.
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.

XXX. When any vacancy in the missionary episcopate is to be considered or filed 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. But note that in the event of the occurrence of a vacancy in a Missionary District, or the resignation of a Bishop, between the issuance of the call for a special meeting of the House of Bishops and the meeting thereof, the House by a two-thirds vote of those present and entitled to vote, shall be competent to fill such vacancy, or to act upon such resignation.

XXXI. 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.
3. The election shall, if possible, be held in the Church after the Holy Communion, and, if possible 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 re-nomination; 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.

XXXII. The House shall be bidden to prayer for Missions at noon
of each day of the session.

XXXIII. 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 ques-
tions arising between the meetings of the House of Bishops.

XXXIV. This House at each General Convention shall elect a
Committee of three Bishops, who shall sit in the interim between Con-
ventions and prepare a Pastoral Letter for the General Convention
following their appointment.

XXXV. Additions and amendments to, or suspension or repeal of,
these rules shall require a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

XXXVI. 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 em-
powered 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 Pre-
siding 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 oc-
casion 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 selec-
tion of the preacher shall be in charge of the Presiding Bishop, the
Vice-Chairman of the House of Bishops, and the Bishop of the Dio-
cese 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 busi-
ness, 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 Benec-
diction, pronounced by the Bishop presiding.

VI. Two or more of the Bishops shall be appointed at each Gen-
eral 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 any one 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 this 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.

STANDING RESOLUTIONS

I. 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.

II. Resolved, That within six months after the adjournment of each General Convention the Secretary of the House of Bishops shall communicate with the Bishop named as Convener of each Commission or Joint Commission appointed during the preceding General Convention, and inquire whether the Commission has convened and organized, keeping a record of the replies received.
APPENDIX XXX.

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 meetings shall be in force until they are amended or repealed by the House. Canon 49, § I. [vi.].

OPENING OF THE SESSION

1. The daily sessions of the House shall be opened with prayer, and prayer for Missions shall be had daily at noon.

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.
XVIII. On Despatch of Business, to consist of four members.
XIX. On Evangelism.

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 ten 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 must be reduced to writing and must bear the name of the mover thereof, and the same shall appear in the Minutes of the House. No motion or resolution can be offered or shall be deemed to be before the House unless the maker has first been recognized by the President and the motion has been seconded.

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 adjourn, (2) to lay it upon the table, (3) to take a vote thereon immediately or at a time certain, (4) to extend limits of debate, (5) to postpone to a time certain, (6) to commit or to recommit it, (7) to amend it, or (8) 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 questions 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.

19. When a motion is pending the following amendments shall be in order: (1) one amendment may be made to each independent or separable portion thereof, and (2) one 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.

No proposition not germane to the subject under consideration shall be received under color of an amendment or a substitute.

Neither the substitute nor its amendment shall be voted on (except to lay on the table) until the original matter is perfected. 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.

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 at 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 definite time, (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, nor more than once without express leave of the House. On such appeal the vote shall be upon the question, "Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?"

CONSIDERATION OR REFERENCE OF MOTIONS

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 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, and the question of its immediate consideration shall be submitted to the House as soon as the report is presented.
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. —?" 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.

28. 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.

29. 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

30. (a) A question once determined may be reconsidered by the vote of two-thirds of those present in the House when motion for such reconsideration is duly made as hereinafter provided.

(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 such motion to reconsider.
(c) Only one reconsideration of any matter shall be had. 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.

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.

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 proceeding 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 thereof 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 including Sundays.

37. (a) When considering the election of a Bishop, the approval of his testimonials or assent to his consecration, and when acting upon the election of the Presiding Bishops, the House shall sit in Executive Session, which shall be held as soon as practicable after the receipt of official notification from the House of Bishops of these elections.

(b) The election of the Presiding Bishop shall be by individual secret ballot unless otherwise ordered by vote of the House or by demand of the entire Clerical or Lay Representation from any Diocese before the balloting begins.

(c) Confidential notifications from the House of Bishops of election by them of the Presiding Bishop or of any other Bishop shall be referred immediately, without reading, to the Committee on the Consecration of Bishops, who shall make report thereon to such Executive Session of the House.

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 abridgment 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

1. 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
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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.

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. 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.

4. 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.

5. 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.

6. 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. No Joint Resolution creating Joint Committees or Joint Commissions shall provide that they shall have power to fill vacancies or to add to their number unless the same is so ordered by a two-thirds vote of each House.

APPENDIX XXXI.
PARLIAMENTARY MANUAL FOR THE
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I. CONSTITUTIONAL RULES.

1. Qualifications of Deputies—
   Const. Art. 1, 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. 1, Sec. 4
   Requires that majority of all the Dioceses be represented by
   at least one deputy in each Order.

3. Requisite Vote—
   The vote of a majority of the Deputies present is sufficient on
   any question, Except as follows:
   Const. Art. 1, Sec. 4
   (a) When a Vote by Orders is demanded by the entire Cleri­
       cal or Lay Representation from any Dioceses.
   (b) On amendments, at any meeting of General Convention,
       of Table of Lessons or of Tables and Rubrics relating to use
       of the Psalms.
   Const. Art. X
   (c) On Final Adoption of Alterations or Additions to Book
       of Common Prayer.
   Const. Art. X
   (d) On Final Adoption of Amendments to Constitution.
   Const. Art. XI
   (e) Note. In the above four excepted cases the vote must be
       taken by Dioceses and Orders and a majority vote of all the
       Dioceses, in each Order, is requisite. There must be con­currence
       of the votes of the two Orders by not less than a
       majority of the whole votes in each Order represented in that
       Order at the time of taking the vote.

4. Adjournments—
   Const. Art. 1, Sec. 5.
   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.

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 49, Sec. I. [i]

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 49, Sec. I. [j]

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 49, Sec. I. [f]
4. Rules of Order of previous House to be in force until amended or repealed. Canon 49, Sec. I. [vi.]

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 49, Sec. I. [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 61, Sec. II. III.

7. As to Election of Registrar, Historiographer and Recorder, see Canon 49, Sec. III. (i., iv.), Sec. IV. (i). For Election of Custodian of Standard Book of Common Prayer, see Canon 44, Sec. VI.

Note. Under established practice all these officials are to be elected at each General Convention.

III. GENERAL RULES.

1. Prayers—Daily Session of House must be opened with Prayer, and Prayer for Missions must be held daily at noon. Rule 1

2. Unanimous Consent—Any action can be taken, which is not in contravention of Constitution or Canons. Rule 44

3. All Questions of Order, of Parliamentary Inquiry or of Priority of Business shall be decided by the Chair without debate. Rules 21, 22

   (a) Questions as to Order of the Day or Priority of Business cannot be laid on the table. Rule 18

4. Questions Involving Expense—All such, except propositions to print, must be referred to Committee on Expenses, before being considered. Rule 14

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, including 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. 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

9. Roll Call and Minutes—
   (a) Roll of Members shall be called on first day of session,
but not on subsequent days unless ordered by majority vote.

(b) The Minutes shall be read daily at openings of sessions, unless reading omitted by majority vote. Rule 2

10. Executive Sessions—
(a) House to sit in Executive Session when considering the election of a Bishop, the approval of his testimonials or assent to his consecration; and also when acting on the Election of the Presiding Bishop. Rule 37 (a)
(b) Election of Presiding Bishop is to be by individual secret ballot unless otherwise ordered. Rule 37 (b)

11. Suspension of Rules—No Rule shall be suspended except by vote of two-thirds of the members present. Rule 43

12. Adjournment. Note—Under established practice, if the hour fixed for Adjournment arrives while a vote is being taken, the voting is completed and result announced before actually adjourning.

IV. DECORUM AND DEBATE.

1. No Applause permitted in the House or in Committee of Whole. Rule 38

2. Must Address Chair—Members must not rise except to address the President (Rule 3); and no member may make a Motion or offer a Resolution until after he has first been duly recognized by the Chair. Rule 15

3. Adjournment of Sessions—Members must keep seated until President leaves Chair. Rule 6

4. Members Must Not Interrupt a Speaker—Rule 12

 Exceptions—
(a) To present a Parliamentary inquiry to Chair.
(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 ten minutes at one time, except by leave of House. Rule 13
(c) Individual Speeches are limited to two minutes in debates on the following motions (1) to adjourn to a time certain (2) to postpone to a definite time (3) to suspend rules (4) to take up a question out of its order (5) appeals from ruling of Chair. Rules 21, 22

V. ORDER OF BUSINESS. ETC.

1. Regular Order of Business. Rule 9

2. Calendar of Pending Business to be printed by Secretary for use of members. Rule 10

VI. MOTIONS AND RESOLUTIONS.

1. No Motion can be made or Resolution offered until after the maker has first been duly recognized by the Chair; and no motion is before the House unless it has received a "second." Rule 15
2. All Resolutions must be in writing and must bear the name of the mover. Rule 15

3. Resolutions offered for immediate action shall be considered at once unless Reference be requested or Objection be made by any member. Rule 23

(a) If Reference be requested, the Resolution shall be referred as of course to the appropriate Standing Committee, and if none exists then to a Special Committee of such number as the Chair may designate. Rule 23

(b) If merely an Objection is made (and no Reference is requested) the Resolution must lie over until the next day, and comes up as unfinished business. Rule 23

(c) A two-thirds vote is required for a resolution to be immediately considered over an Objection or a Request for Reference. Rule 23

Note: An Objection to Consideration is not amenable (Rule 19) and is not debatable, (Rule 21). Neither a Request for Reference nor an Objection to Consideration can be laid on the table as they are questions as to priority of business, (Rule 18).

An Objection is not in order as to matters coming up regularly on the Calendar nor as to an Order of the Day; and as to such matters a Motion for Reference instead of a Request would be necessary.

4. Memorials and Petitions—Must be referred without reading, unless ordered read by a majority vote; but the contents may be concisely stated by the Deputy presenting them. Rule 24

5. Privileged Motions—Under our general practice are such as affect the rights, dignity or business of the House or the rights, privileges or standing of a Member and are in Order at any time when the House is not otherwise engaged.

6. Rejected Matter—When a matter is once finally determined, neither such question nor one of like import shall again be presented or drawn into debate during the same Convention, except by consent of two-thirds of the members present and voting upon a Motion to Reconsider. Rule 30 (b)

(c) Note: This being merely a Rule of the House of Deputies can only govern the initiation of matter in that House by its members. It has no application to any such matter contained in Messages from the House of Bishops, and all such matter in such Messages must necessarily be considered de novo by the House of Deputies.

VII. COMMITTEES—REPORTS, Etc.

1. All Committees are to be appointed by the President unless otherwise ordered. Rule 7

2. The Standing Committees are to be announced not later than the fourth day of the Convention. Rule 8

3. All Committee Reports must be in writing, and when requiring action must submit resolutions therefor. Rule 32

Note: An adverse report on any matter should close, according to the regular practice, with a resolution that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the subject.


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4. Reports of Committee on Memorials of Deceased Members shall embody simply the name, Diocese, dates of birth and death, and time of service of deceased in General Conventions. After suitable devotions such reports shall be received by the House standing. Rule 33.

5. Reports of Committees appointed to sit during the Recess, if not acted on when presented shall be made a Special Order for a time fixed. Rule 25.

VIII. 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.

IX. ORDER OF PRECEDENCE OF MOTIONS.

Motions shall have priority in the following order: Rule 17.

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. 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).

4. 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.

5. 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.
6. 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.

7. 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.

8. 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) One Amendment may be made to each independent or separable portion of a Resolution; and the right to amend extends only to one amendment of that 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, but 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.

9. Motion to Postpone Indefinitely—
   (a) Not in order to a Substitute. Rule 20.
   (b) Opens up Main Question to debate on its merits. Rule 19 (1).
   (c) Not amendable. Rule 19 (1).
   (d) May be laid on table.

X. MISCELLANEOUS MOTIONS, ETC., WHOSE ORDER OF PRECEDENCE IS NOT FIXED.

1. 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. Rule 31.
   (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. Rule 31.
(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. Rule 31.
(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. Rule 31.
(g) In Voting by Orders, the motion may be seconded by the majority of any deputation, without regard to its previous vote. Rule 31.

(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.

2. 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.

3. Motion to Take From Table—
   (a) In order whenever House not otherwise engaged. Rule 21.
   (b) Not debatable.
   (c) Not amendable. Rule 19 (1).
   (d) Cannot be laid on table. Rule 18.

4. 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.

5. Motion for Leave to Continue Speaking—
   (a) Not amendable. Rule 19.
   (b) Involves suspension of Rule 13; ergo requires two-thirds vote. Rule 43.

6. 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.

7. 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. Rule 21.
   (c) Cannot be laid on table, for same reason. Rule 18.
   (d) Requires two-thirds vote. Rule 11.

8. Motion to Take Up Business Out of Its Order—
   (a) Not amendable. Rule 19.
   (b) Debate limited to two minutes to each speaker. Rule 21.
   (c) Requires two-thirds vote. Rule 11, Rule 43.

9. Motion to Suspend Rules—
   (a) Not amendable. Rule 19.
   (b) Debate limited to two minutes to each speaker. Rule 21.
   (c) Requires two-thirds vote. Rule 43.
10. Motion for Recess—
   (a) Not debatable. Rule 21.
   (b) Is amendable as to the time, if a time is specified.

11. Motion for Leave to Withdraw a Motion, or Permit Change of Vote—
   (a) Not debatable. Rule 21.
   (b) Not amendable. Rule 19.

1. Must be had whenever required by Constitution or Canons, viz.;
   (a) On amendments, at any meeting of General Convention, of
       Table of Lessons or of Tables and Rubrics relating to use of
       the Psalms. Const. Art. X.
   (b) On final adoption of Alterations or Additions to Book of
       Common Prayer. Const. Art. X.
   (c) On final adoption of Amendments to the Constitution.
       Const. Art. XI.
   (d) Whenever demanded by entire Clerical or Lay Representa-
       tion from any Diocese before the Voting begins.
       Const. Art. I., Sec. 4., Rule 28.

2. The vote of the individuals of a Deputation shall be stated and
   recorded whenever requested by the entire Deputation of a Dio-
   cese or when so ordered by the House on Motion without de-
   bate. 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,

5. How Decided. See Constitutional Rules (Supra) 3, (e) Note.

XII. ELECTION OF OFFICERS.
1. Is to be by individual secret ballot. Rule 29.

2. But Ballot of House May be Cast by an Officer, by Unanimous
   Consent or by Order of House.

3. Above Provisions Include Elections of President or Secretary
   of House, or Treasurer of General Convention. Rule 29.

XIII. 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. Rule 34 (a).
       (1) May be made at any time.
       (2) Has precedence over all other motions.
       (3) Not debatable.
       (4) Cannot be renewed until after further action is had in
           Committee.
   (b) Motion to Take Vote at Time Certain—
       (1) May be made at any time.
       (2) Not debatable.
4. **Note.** No motion to Adjourn can be made; and no Vote by Orders can be had.

**XIV. JOINT COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS.**

1. House of Deputies may refer matters to, but cannot give Instructions except through Joint resolution concurred in by House of Bishops. **Joint Rule 2.**

2. Can not be discharged until they have made their Final Report (Joint Rule 5): but are *functus officio* when that is made and can only be revived by concurrent action of the two Houses. **Joint Rule 1.**

3. Reports of: Must be presented not later than fifth day of the Convention. **Joint Rule 3.**

4. Publication of Reports: May have Report made public in advance of a Convention by sending the Report to Secretary of House of Deputies at least five weeks prior to meeting of Convention to be printed and distributed to all Members of the Convention. **Joint Rule 4.**

5. Vacancies, occurring as to Deputies during the recess between Conventions, are to be filled by President of House. No Joint Committee or Commission can be authorized to fill vacancies or to add to their numbers except by a two-thirds vote of each House. **Joint Rule 6.**

**XV. MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS:**

Shall be handed by the Secretary to the President, to be laid before the House as early as may be convenient. **Rule 26.**

1. Confidential Notifications of election of Presiding Bishop or of any other Bishop shall be referred without reading to the Committee on Consecration of Bishops, and their report shall be presented in Executive Session of House. **Rule 37 (c).**

2. Messages Communicating Legislative Action Taken— **Rule 26.**
   (a) Shall be referred to proper Committee, without debate, unless otherwise ordered by House without debate.
   (b) Report of Committee on Message referred to it, ranks as of date and priority of original receipt of message.
   (c) Question of immediate consideration of Committee’s Report is to be submitted to House when Report is presented. **Rule 26.**

   (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.

4. 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. **Rule 26.**

5. **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." Rule 26.

When a Message Calling for legislation is first presented to the House of Deputies it has not been the practice to give it immediate consideration. It is handled like any other measure and Rule 26 itself provides that it shall be referred to the proper Committee, unless without debate the House on motion shall otherwise order.

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.

XVI. 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.

XVII. PRIVILEGES OF FLOOR, ETC.

Who entitled to? See Rules 39, 40.

XVIII. STANDING ORDERS OF HOUSE.

1. Seats to be occupied by Deputations are to be determined by lot by Secretary of House. S.O.I.

2. Absentee Members—Members who have not answered at roll call, or have not later notified Secretary of their arrival shall be printed in the Journal as absent. S.O. II.

3. Secretary to provide Notice Boards, etc. S.O. III.
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Page 95, Canon 29, § III., line 5:
For “Diocese” read Dioceses”.

Page 95, Canon 29, § III., line 6:
Insert a “,” after “Province”.

Page 100, Canon 29, § XVI.:
The last five lines, beginning “Provided however” should be transferred from § XVI. to the end of § V. on page 95 of same Canon, to be a part of said § V.

Page 122, Canon 36, § I., line 2:
For “Canon 36” read “Canon 34”.

Page 147, Canon 49, § VII., line 8:
For “indebtedness” read “indebtedness”.

Page 158, Canon 55, § I., line 2:
Following the word “Church” insert the words “in the Diocese or Missionary District”.

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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, except
that whenever two-thirds of the House of Bishops are present a majority vote shall suffice, such choice to be subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies. 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.

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 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.
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Adjournment.

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 other than that in which the Convention shall be sitting.

Deputies from Foreign Missionary Districts.

SEC. 6. One Clerical and one Lay Deputy chosen by each Missionary District of the Church established by the House of Bishops, beyond the territory of the United States of America, and one Clerical and one Lay Deputy chosen by 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.

Time and Place of meeting.

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.

Election of Bishops.

SEC. 2. No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor

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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 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 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 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
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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.

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.

Section 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
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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 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.
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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
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§ 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 aforesaid 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
1. 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.**

§ I. 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,

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. 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 Candidateship 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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in which he has been admitted, until his ordination, except as hereinafter otherwise provided.

[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.
§ I. 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 Evidence 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 Archæology,
(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;
4. Doctrine: The Church’s teaching as set forth in the Creeds and Catechism;

5. Liturgics: The Contents and Use of the Book of Common Prayer;

6. Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and of the Diocese to which the Candidate belongs;

7. Ministration:
   (a) The Office and work of a Deacon,
   (b) Conduct of Public Worship, with the proper use of the voice therein,
   (c) Principles of Sermon Composition and Delivery,
   (d) Principles and Methods of Religious Education in the Parish.

§ 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.
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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 Committee or Council of Advice, may, at his discre-
tion, 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.

[iii.] 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 49, § 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
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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.

§ 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
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-
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)
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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 substitutions 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

or

(c) Three Presbyters of this Church who have known the candidate for the space of three years last past; or

(d) Should the candidate within the space of three years last past have been a Minister or Licen-
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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 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

If Parish has no Minister, certificate may be signed by some Presbyter.

If there be no Parish, by whom certificate is to be signed.

Reasons for this form of certificate to be stated.
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.
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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 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 Suffragan Bishop when requested by the Bishop of a Diocese, 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.
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[i.] 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.

[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 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 two Presbyters 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 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.
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§ 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 Apostle's 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 the 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 or the President of the Province 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 or the President of the Synod 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.

[i.] 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 without 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 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 who has a seat and vote in the House of Bishops, and to the Standing Committee of every
| Consent of Bishop and Standing Committees. | 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. |
| Notice of election. | 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. |
| When charge devolves on Presiding Bishop. | § 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. |
| Mode of election of successor. | § 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. |
| How elected. | 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 provided by Canon 14, Section II., and subject to all the provisions thereof.

§ IV. A Suffragan Bishop shall act, in all respects, as the assistant of the Bishop of the Diocese, or Missionary District, and under his direction.

§ V. The tenure of office of a Suffragan Bishop shall not be terminated on the death or removal of the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District. A Suffragan Bishop at any time may resign his position as Suffragan of a Diocese with the consent of a majority of those entitled to vote in the House of Bishops. A Suffragan Bishop of a Missionary District, at any time, may resign his position as such Suffragan Bishop with the consent of a majority of those entitled to vote in the House of Bishops. A Suffragan Bishop whose resignation has been accepted shall exercise Episcopal functions only as he may be authorized by the Ecclesiastical Authority of a Diocese or of a Missionary District.

§ VI. [i.] Whenever a Suffragan Bishop shall be elected Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of a Diocese or Missionary District, 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.
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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 or Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese which has elected him, or Missionary Bishop of the District, as the case may be.

[ii.] If the said election has 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, 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

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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.
[iv.] 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

Presiding Bishop to lay the whole record before the House of Bishops at their next session, if he deems the statement and evidence sufficient.

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(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 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. Except that when a Presiding Bishop has been elected by the House of Bishops to fill a vacancy, as provided for in the second paragraph of Article I, Section III, of the Constitution, the Presiding Bishop elected by the next General Convention shall take office immediately.

§ 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 President of his Province.

[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
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in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be for a stated period, and may be at any time revoked.

[iii.] 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 disqualification 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.
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[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, less whatever allowance such Bishop may receive, from time to time, from the Church Pension Fund. Such retiring allowance may be revised whenever such retired Bishop shall receive a regular stipend from any ecclesiastical employment.

[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.
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[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.

§ 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, except the Canons entitled, "Of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society", and "Of the Presiding Bishop and the National Council."

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 instruc-
tion, 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 information 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.
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gation; 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.

[iii.] 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 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.
ary 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
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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 ministries.

[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 may be admitted a Deaconess by any Bishop having jurisdiction in this Church.

§ II. The duty of a Deaconess is to teach and especially to assist the minister in the preparation of candidates for Baptism and Confirmation; to assist in the administration of Holy Baptism by virtue of her office and in the absence of the priest or deacon to baptize infants; to conduct the Choir office; to lead in prayer and when licensed by the Bishop to instruct and preach except in the service of Holy Communion; to care for the sick, the afflicted and the poor and to labor in all ways for the extension of Christ's Church.

§ 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
Admission to the Order of Deaconess.

Examination Required.

§ 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 compe-
tent 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.

3. **Christian Missions.** History. Present extent and methods. At least one missionary biography.

4. **Doctrine.** Contents and teaching of the Book of Common Prayer, including preparation for the Sacraments.

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 with the recognized standards of the work of social organizations including institutions.

§ 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 Recommendation of Standing Committee necessary.

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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.
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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 alteration, save as it may be lawfully permitted by lawful authority.

§ 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 Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District a written license. Such license shall not be granted to any but a male communicant of this Church, and must be given for a definite period, not longer than one year, but may be renewed from time to time, or revoked at any time. Such license may be given for any vacant Parish or Mission, or for a Congregation without a Minister, but 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 Congrega-
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section 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 Diocesan 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.

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Of Offences for which Bishops, Presbyters or Deacons May Be Tried.

§ I. A Bishop, Presbyter, 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.

(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, however, that in the case of a Presbyter or Deacon charged with this offence, before proceeding to a presentment, the consent of three-fourths of all the members of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the Diocese or Missionary District in which the Presbyter or Deacon is canonically resident, shall be required.

Upon a Presbyter or Deacon being found guilty, such Presbyter or Deacon shall be admonished, or shall be suspended or deposed from the Sacred Ministry, as shall be adjudged by the Trial Court, except as provided in Canon 38, § III.

§ II. In the case of a Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 Presiding Bishop, in the case of a Bishop, and in the case of a Presbyter or Deacon, of the Standing Committee of the Diocese or of the Council of Advice of the Missionary District in which he is
canonically resident, to institute an inquiry into the matter. If in the judgment of either, there is sufficient reason for further proceedings, it shall be their duty to present him, or to cause that he be presented, for trial.

§ III. No presentment shall be made or conviction had for any offence, unless the offence shall have been committed within five years immediately preceding the time of the presentment, except that in a case of a conviction in a Court of Record exercising criminal jurisdiction as aforesaid, a presentment may be made at any time within one year after such conviction notwithstanding five years may have elapsed since the commission of the offence.

CANON 28.

Of Amenability, Citation and Attendance.

§ I. Bishops, Presbyters and Deacons are amenable for offences committed by them; a Bishop to a Court of Bishops and a Presbyter or Deacon, to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, or the Missionary District, in which he is canonically resident at the time the charge is made.

§ II. A notice or citation required by any law of this Church to any Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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

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CANON 29.

Of Courts, Their Membership and Procedure.

(a) Diocesan Courts for the Trial of a Presbyter or Deacon.

§ I. In each Diocese and Missionary District there shall be an Ecclesiastical Court for the trial of any Presbyter or Deacon thereof, and it shall be the duty of each Diocese and Missionary District to provide by Canon for the establishment of such Court and the mode of conducting trials in the same.

(b) Courts of Review of the Trial of a Presbyter or Deacon.

§ II. 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

which the Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon 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 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.
shall have been served with notice of the decision of the Court in the manner specified in Canon 28, § III, nor in case an appeal is taken shall sentence be pronounced pending the hearing and determination thereof.

§ III. In each of the Provinces there shall be a Court of Review of the trial of a Presbyter or Deacon, which shall be composed of a Bishop therein, three Presbyters, canonically resident in one or other of the Diocese 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.

§ IV. 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, shall continue to be members of the Court for the term of three years and until their successors shall be elected.

The Bishop elected by the Synod shall be the Presiding Officer of the Court.

§ V. 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.

§ VI. 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 of the 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 the Council of Advice of the Missionary District within which a trial was had shall appeal from a decision of the 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 only, and that the decision shall not be held to reverse the acquittal of the accused on other charges than these. But such an appeal by the Standing Committee or Council of Advice 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 held or (in case of his inability to act), the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, 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 Court of Review by serving a written notice of appeal on the Bishop or Standing Committee or Council of Advice of said 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 or Council of Advice, may be taken by the service by the appellant of a written notice of appeal 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 52, § 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.

§ VII. 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 Council of Advice of the Missionary District where-in 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 decision of the Trial Court, including 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.

§ VIII. 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 Council of Advice of the Missionary District in which the trial was had. When the appeal is from the decision of a Trial Court in any Missionary District such notice shall be served at least three months prior to the day appointed for the hearing and the appellant shall
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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 two-thirds of the 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 Council of Advice of the 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. All records remitted as herein provided shall be deposited and be preserved among the archives of the jurisdiction to which they are sent.

§ XIII. The Court of Review for the trial of a Presbyter or Deacon shall not pronounce sentence on the affirmation of a conviction. When the appeal is so determined, upon receipt of the record by the Bishop or Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the jurisdiction of the Trial Court, the accused shall be sentenced in accordance with Canon 38, the provisions of which shall be complied with.

(c) Court for the Trial of a Bishop.

§ XIV. [i] There shall be a Court for the trial of a Bishop constituted as follows: The House of Bishops shall choose three Bishops to serve as
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<td>judges of said court for a term of three years, three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for a term of six years, and three Bishops to serve as aforesaid for a 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.</td>
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<td>§ XV. There shall be a Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, which shall be composed of Bishops only and shall be constituted as follows: The House of Bishops shall choose three Bishops who shall serve as Judges of the Court of 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 the term of nine years in place of those whose term of office shall then have expired.</td>
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<td>§ XVI. The said Court of Review is vested with jurisdiction to hear and determine appeals from the determination of the Court for the Trial of a Bishop; 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.</td>
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§ XVII. Not less than six Judges shall constitute a quorum and the concurrence of six Judges shall be necessary to pronounce a judgment, but any less number may adjourn the Court from time to time.

Provided, however, that the Judges of the Court for the Trial of a Bishop or of a Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, heretofore elected under the provisions of Canons 29 and 32, respectively, as said Canons existed prior to the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-one, shall continue in office for the terms for which they were respectively elected.

(e) Of Membership in Courts.

§ XVIII. (1) No person shall sit as a member of any Court who is a presenter of charges or is related to the accused or either of them by affinity or consanguinity in a direct ascending or descending line, or as a brother, uncle, nephew or first cousin, nor shall any Bishop, nor any Presbyter, nor any 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 shall any Bishop, 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.

(2) The death, permanent disability, resignation or refusal to serve as a member of any Court shall constitute a vacancy in the Court.

Notices of resignations or refusals to serve shall be given as follows:

[i.] By any Bishop chosen to serve as a member of the Court for the Trial of a Bishop or of
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the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop; written notice sent to the Presiding Bishop.

[ii.] By the President of the Court of Review of the Trial of a Presbyter or Deacon written notice sent to the President of the Provincial Synod.

[iii.] By a Presbyter or Layman of such Court; written notice sent to the President of said Court.

(3) If any Presbyter appointed to a Board of Inquiry shall become a Bishop or any Layman appointed to said Board shall become a Presbyter before the final disposition of the charge he shall thereby vacate his place as a member of the Board.

§ XIX. Vacancies occurring in any of the Courts may be filled as follows:

(1) In the case of disqualification of any Judge of any Court, the remaining Judges of the said Court shall appoint a Judge to take the place of the one so disqualified in that particular case.

(2) In the case of a vacancy in the Court for the Trial of a Bishop or in the Court of Review of the trial of a Bishop the remaining Judges thereafter 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 shall serve during the remaining of the term.

(3) In the case of death, permanent disability, resignation or refusal to serve, or the removal from the province of the Bishop appointed as a member of the Court of Review of the Trial of a Presbyter or Deacon, the President of the Provincial Synod shall give written notice thereof to the Bishop senior by consecration in the Province. Thereupon the Bishop so notified shall become a member of the Court until a new appointment shall be made. If in
a particular case the Bishop so appointed is unable or unwilling to serve as a member of the Court he shall notify the President of the Provincial Synod of this fact, who shall thereupon appoint the Bishop next senior by consecration in that Province.

(4) In case a vacancy shall exist in the membership of the Court of Review in any Province, among the clerical or lay members originally chosen, or in case any of them shall be disqualified or unable to sit in a particular case, the President of the Court shall appoint other Presbyters or Laymen residing in the Province to fill such vacancy and to sit as members of said Court.

(5) In the case of a vacancy for any cause in the Board of Inquiry the Presiding Bishop shall appoint another Presbyter or another Layman, as the case may be, to act as a member of the Board, who, upon acceptance of appointment, shall become a member of the Board.

All of the provisions of the Canons relating to persons originally appointed as members of the several Courts or Boards of Inquiry or Commissions, shall apply to those persons appointed in succession to the persons originally appointed, and all proceedings which may have been taken on any cause 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, Board or Commission, when such cause was commenced, and such appointee may participate in the continuing hearing and determination of the said cause.

If the term for which a member of a Court, Board or Commission was chosen shall have expired during the course of a hearing or trial, said member shall notwithstanding be competent to act in the cause until the termination of the trial or hearing.
§ XX. [i.] The procedure in Diocesan Courts shall be as provided by the Canons of the respective Dioceses or Missionary Districts.

[ii.] The Court for the Trial of a Bishop and the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop shall from time to time elect from its own membership a Presiding Judge who shall hold office until the expiration of the term for which he was chosen Judge. If in any proceeding before said Courts the Presiding Judge is disqualified or is for any cause unable to act, the Court shall elect a Bishop as Presiding Judge pro tempore.

[iii.] The several Courts shall appoint clerks and if necessary assistant clerks who shall be Presbyters of this Church to serve during the pleasure of the Court.

The several Courts may appoint not less than two nor more than three lay communicants of this Church learned in the law, as assessors. They shall have no vote. 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 is theological, it shall be decided by the Court by a majority of the votes.

The several Courts may adopt rules of procedure not inconsistent with the Constitution and Canons of this Church, with power to alter or rescind the same from time to time.

§ XXI. In the conduct of investigations preliminary to presentments, as well as in all trials, the laws of the civil jurisdiction in which such in-
vestigation or trial is had so far as they relate to evidence shall be adopted and taken as the rules by which said Board of Inquiry, Commission, or Court, shall be governed, and trials shall be conducted according to the principles of the common law as the same is generally administered in the United States except in those Dioceses where Ecclesiastical Courts are provided for by Constitution or Statute, in which case the same shall govern.

No determination or judgment of any Court shall be disturbed for technical errors; not going to the merits of the cause.

The several Courts shall keep a record of all their proceedings.

§ XXII. The various Courts shall permit 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, but in every trial or investigation the several Courts may regulate the number of counsel who may address the Court or examine witnesses.

The President, or any other member of the several Courts, shall upon application of either the Church Advocate or the accused issue subpoenas for witnesses, but before doing so the person who issues the same shall first be satisfied that the testimony sought to be adduced is material and that the witness is one whom the Court would be willing to hear upon the trial, otherwise he may refuse to issue the same.

When the several Courts are not in session, if there is a vacancy in the office of the President, the Bishop who is senior by consecration shall perform the duties of the office of President.
| Mode of taking deposition. | If in the course of a trial it becomes necessary to take the testimony of absent witnesses, it may be taken upon a commission as such commissions are authorized by the common law in the jurisdiction in which the trial takes place, and in case there is ground to suppose that the attendance of a witness at the forthcoming 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 desiring to take such depositions shall give the opposite party reasonable notice of the time and place of taking depositions, 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. Such testimony shall be preceded by a written declaration of the witness similar to that of a witness testifying in person before the Court for the trial of a Bishop. |
| Commissioner. | In any Diocese in which the Civil Government shall have authorized the Ecclesiastical Courts therein to issue subpoenas for witnesses or to administer an oath, the Court shall act in conformity to such law. |
| Cross-examination. | Provided, however, that no deposition shall be taken, or read at the trial, unless the Court shall deem such testimony to be material and also have reasonable assurance that the attendance of the witness cannot be procured, and the several Courts |
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shall have power to limit the scope of the testimony and the number of witnesses to be examined and whose depositions shall be taken.

§ XXIII. Where a presentment of a Bishop is made by any three Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction, they may select a Church Advocate as legal adviser. The Presiding Bishop upon the receipt of written charges or written demand under the provisions of Sections III or IV of Canon 30 shall at the same time that the Board of Inquiry is appointed as provided in Section V of said Canon 30 appoint a Church Advocate to act as the legal adviser of the Board.

In all trials and upon all appeals the several Courts may appoint a Church Advocate with or without assistants, all of whom shall be of the profession of the law, and communicants of the Church, to appear in behalf of the Church upon such trial or appeal. The Church Advocate shall then be considered the party on one side, and the accused the party on the other.

§ XXIV. The necessary charges and expenses of the Court of Review of the trial of a Presbyter or Deacon, including the necessary expenses of the Church Advocate and Lay Assessors, shall be a charge upon the Province and shall be paid by the Treasurer of the Synod of such Province upon the order of the President of the Synod. Similar charges in the case of the trial of a Bishop, and of the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, shall be paid by the Treasurer of General Convention upon the order of the President of such Courts.

The necessary expenses of Boards of Inquiry or Commissions appointed under the Canons of this Church to make preliminary investigation and to
CANON 30.

Of Presentments.

(a) Of a Presbyter or Deacon.

§ I. The mode of presentment of a Presbyter or Deacon shall be that provided by the Canons of the several Dioceses or Missionary Districts wherein the accused is canonically resident.

(b) Of a Bishop.

§ II. A Bishop may be presented for erroneous doctrine by any three Bishops of this Church exercising jurisdiction, for holding and teaching publicly or privately and advisedly, doctrine contrary to that held by this Church. Such presentment shall be in writing, signed and verified by the Bishops presenting, and shall be delivered to the Presiding Bishop.

§ III. A Bishop may be charged with anyone or more of the offences specified in Canon 27, other than that of holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church, by three Bishops or 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 Mis-
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*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 of the Church. The grounds of accusation must be set forth with reasonable certainty of time, place and circumstance.*

§ IV. Whenever a Bishop shall have reason to believe that there are in circulation rumors, reports, or allegations affecting his personal or official 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.

§ V. The Presiding Bishop, upon the receipt of such written charges or such written demand, shall 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.

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.

The testimony shall be stenographically reported, and shall be preserved in the custody of the Pre-
Presentment.

§ VI. 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 a 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 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 heretofore provided.

§ VII. 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 V, who shall consider the case de novo.

§ VIII. 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, in the manner provided in Canon 28.

§ IX. 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 of the Church.

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 requires the appointment of another place; and in case the accused have no jurisdiction, at a place within the Diocese or Missionary District in which he has his domicile. 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.

§ 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 defense.

[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 in accordance with §§ XX, XXI and XXII of Canon 29. 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 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."

§ IV. 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.

§ V. 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 Court shall also, if the accused is found guilty of any charge or specification, determine and embody in the written decision the penalty which it shall adjudge should be imposed upon the accused, which penalty may be admonition or suspension or deposition from the ministry, as shall be by the Court adjudged; and the decision so signed shall be recorded as the judgment of the Court, and shall be judgment nisi until it becomes final as hereinafter stated.

§ VI. 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. If the accused shall be found guilty of any charge or specification, he may file a motion for a new trial and for a modification of penalty. Any such motion or motions shall be filed within 30 days from the date of the filing of the decision, and the motion shall set forth all the reasons therefor, and no other shall be relied on at the hearing of the motion without the consent of the Court. The President of the Court shall set a place and time for hearing the motion and shall reconvene the Court to hear and determine the same.

The Court may in the interest of justice grant a new trial or modify the penalty. If the motion for
a new trial is granted the President of the Court shall set a time and place for the new trial, and notify the parties and the members of the Court of such time and place. If the motion for a new trial is overruled, the judgment nisi as to the guilt of the accused shall become final, but the Court in the exercise of its discretion may modify or change the penalty, and shall in writing signed by a majority of the Court direct what penalty is to be incorporated in the final judgment to be recorded by the Clerk. If no motion for a new trial or for modification of sentence shall be filed within the time limited for filing such motions, the Clerk of the Court shall on the next secular day enter, as final, the judgment rendered by the Court. An appeal from a final judgment of a Court for the Trial of a Bishop to the Court for the Review of the Trial of a Bishop, as provided in Canon 32, may be taken within sixty days from the entry of such judgment.

After the entry of final judgment, the President of the Court shall appoint a time and place not less than 60 days thereafter for pronouncing sentence. At the time and place appointed, if the accused shall not have an appeal pending in the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, or the action of the Court of Review has not made it unnecessary for the Trial Court to proceed to pronounce sentence, the President of the Court or a member thereof designated in writing by a majority of the members thereof to do so, shall in the presence of the accused, if he shall see fit to attend, pronounce the sentence which has been adjudged by the Court, and direct the same to be recorded by the Clerk.

§ 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.

[iii.] 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 kept in the depositary of the Registrar of the General Convention, and shall be open to the inspection of every member of this Church.

**CANON 32.**

Of Appeals to the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop.

§ I. A Bishop found guilty of any offence shall have the right to appeal from the judgment of the Trial Court to the Court of 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 of Review of the Trial of a Bishop, assigning in said notice the reasons of appeal, he shall be held to have waived the right of appeal, although in its discretion the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop may entertain and hear an appeal not taken within such prescribed period.

The President of the Court of Review upon receiving the notice of appeal shall appoint a time within 60 days thereafter for hearing the appeal and fix the place of the hearing, and at least 30 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 appellant and appellee.

§ III. Upon notice of appeal being given, the Clerk of the Trial Court shall send to the Clerk of the Court of 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 of 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 of 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 finding shall have been approved by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops canonically assembled in said House, and entitled to vote.

§ VI. If the Court of 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 of 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, or such other Bishop as the Presiding Bishop shall designate who shall thereupon give the notices thereof required by Canon 38.

§ VII. In case of appeal, all proceedings in the Trial Court shall be stayed until such appeal be dismissed by the Court of 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 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.

The appellant may waive his appeal at any time before a hearing thereof has begun before the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop. After said hearing has begun, he may waive his appeal only with the consent of the Court. In case the appeal is waived or dismissed, the Trial Court shall proceed as if no appeal had been taken.

CANON 33.

Of a Minister in any Diocese or Missionary District Chargeable with Offence in Another.

§ I. 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 27, the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof shall give notice of the same to the Ecclesiastical 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 proceed, 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 27, 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 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 34.

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 affect 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 38, Section III. [ii.].

§ 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 35.
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 Doc-
SUSSION OF BISHOP.

§ 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

trine, 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 Diocese or the Council of Advice of the Missionary District of said Bishop to certify the fact to the Presiding Bishop, and with such certificate to send a statement of the acts or declarations which show such abandonment, which certificate and statement shall be recorded by the Presiding Bishop. The Presiding Bishop, with the consent of the three Bishops next in seniority, shall then suspend the said Bishop from the exercise of his Office and Ministry until such time as the House of Bishops shall investigate the matter.

§ 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 36.

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
CANON 31.

Renunciation of the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into 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 37.

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

Deposition after six months.

If without satisfactory reasons, to be presented for trial.
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 38.
Of Sentences.

§ I. Whenever the penalty of suspension shall be inflicted on a Bishop, Presbyter or Deacon, in this Church, the sentence shall specify on what terms and on what 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. [i.] If a Presbyter or Deacon is liable to sentence upon conviction by a Trial Court or upon affirmance of such conviction by a Court of Review, sentence shall be imposed by the Bishop of the jurisdiction in which the original trial of the accused was had, or in case such Bishop is disqualified or there be no Bishop of that jurisdiction, by another Bishop by the request of its Standing Committee or Council of Advice, and it shall be lawful for the Bishop of the jurisdiction or for such other Bishop in his discretion to pronounce a lesser sentence than that adjudged by the Court. The Bishop to act shall appoint a time and place for pronouncing such sentence and shall cause notice thereof in writing to be served upon the accused in the manner provided in Canon 28 at least thirty days before the time appointed.

[ii.] In the case of renunciation of the Ministry as provided in Canon 34, and in case of the abandonment of the communion of this Church by a Presbyter or Deacon as provided by Canon 36, sentence of deposition shall be pronounced and notice thereof given as in said Canon respectively provided.

[iii.] If the sentence to be pronounced upon a Presbyter or Deacon be deposition, the Bishop acting in the matter shall pronounce and record the same in the presence of two or more Presbyters.

[iv.] In case an accused Presbyter or Deacon 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.

[v.] After a Presbyter or Deacon shall have been convicted by a Trial Court of a crime or im-

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**CANON 38.**

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**Time and place.**

**Bishop may pronounce lesser sentence.**

**Notice to be given in writing.**

**Renunciation of the Ministry.**

**In the presence of two Presbyters.**

**May be suspended.**
morality rendering him liable to canonical sentence, the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District shall have the right to suspend him from all public ministrations. Such suspension shall 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 accused was canonically resident; 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.

IV. No sentence shall be pronounced until an opportunity shall have been given to the accused either on conviction or on confession 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 to pronounce sentence.

V. When a Bishop is liable to sentence under a judgment of a Trial Court or under a judgment of a Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop on an appeal to said Court of Review, the sentence to be imposed, the Bishop to pronounce the same, and the procedure to be followed in imposing sentence shall be as provided in the several Canons governing the procedure of said Courts.

VI. In the case of the suspension or deposition of a Bishop it shall be the duty of the Presiding Bishop to give notice of the same to the Ecclesias-
tical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary District of this Church and to the Recorder and the Secretary of the House of Bishops and to all Archbishops and Metropolitans, and all Presiding Bishops of Churches in communion with this Church.

VII. A Bishop found guilty upon a presentment for a crime or immorality shall not, on 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.

**CANON 39.**

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 herein shall be construed to repeal or alter the provisions of Canon 38.

§ 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 has 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 40.

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 Committee 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 41.
Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony.

§ I. Ministers of this Church shall within their Cures give instruction both publicly and privately, on the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities and the mutual love and forbearance which it requires.

§ II. Ministers of this Church shall conform to the laws of the State governing the civil contract of marriage, and also to the laws of this Church governing the solemnization of Holy Matrimony.
§ III. [i.] No Minister of this Church shall solemnize any marriage before the following conditions have been carefully complied with:

(a) He shall ascertain by due inquiry the right of the parties according to the laws of this Church to contract a marriage.

(b) He shall instruct the contracting parties as to the nature of Holy Matrimony, its responsibilities, and the means of grace which God has provided through His Church.

[ii.] There shall be at least two witnesses present at the solemnization of the marriage.

[iii.] 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, by the married parties, and by at least two witnesses of the marriage.

[iv.] No marriage shall be solemnized by a Minister of this Church unless the intention of the contracting parties shall have been signified to the Minister at least three days before the service of solemnization.

§ IV. If one party to a marriage so grievously offend the other that the security of permanence of the home is imperiled it shall be the duty of the offended party to lay the matter before a Minister of the Church; and it shall be the duty of such Minister to labor that the parties may be reconciled.

§ V. 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. Nor
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, be laid before the Ecclesiastical Authority, and such Ecclesiastical Authority, having taken legal advice thereon, 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.

§ VI. [i.] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court may apply to the Bishop or to the Ecclesiastical Court constituted by Canon, of the Diocese or Missionary District of the said person's domicile to have the said marriage declared null and void by reason of any of the following impediments to marriage:

1. Consanguinity (whether of the whole or of the half blood) within the following degrees:
   (a) One may not marry one's ascendant or descendant.
   (b) One may not marry one's sister.
   (c) One may not marry the sister or brother of one's ascendant or the descendant of one's brother or sister.
2. Lack of free consent of either party.
3. Mistake as to the identity of either party.
4. Mental deficiency of either party sufficient to prevent the exercise of intelligent choice.
5. Insanity of either party.
6. Failure of either party to have reached the age of puberty.
7. Impotence of either party undisclosed to the other.
8. The existence of venereal disease in either party.
9. Facts which would make the proposed marriage bigamous.

[iii.] The Bishop in such case, after taking legal advice thereon, or the Ecclesiastical Court proceeding in accordance with the canons and acting through the Bishop, shall render judgment in writing to the petitioner. All judgments rendered under this Canon by the Bishop or the Ecclesiastical Court shall be made matters of permanent record in the archives of the Diocese or Missionary District. No such judgment shall be construed as referring in any way to the legitimacy of children or the civil validity of the former relationship.

[iii.i] Any person whose former marriage has been annulled or dissolved by a civil court and pronounced null by the Bishop, may be married by a Minister of this Church as if he had never previously been married.

§ VII. [i.] If any Minister of this Church shall have cause to think that a person desirous of Holy Baptism, or of Confirmation, or of receiving 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. The Bishop, after due inquiry into the circumstances, and taking into consideration the godly discipline both of justice and of mercy, shall give his judgment thereon in writing. Provided, however, that no Minister shall in any case refuse these ordinances to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

[iii.] Any persons who have been married by civil authority, or otherwise than as this Church provides may apply to the Bishop or to the Ecclesiastical Court of their domicile for the recognition of communicant status, or for the right to apply for Holy Baptism or Confirmation. After due inquiry into all the facts relevant thereto, judgment shall be given in writing to the petitioners by the Bishop or by the Ecclesiastical Court acting through the Bishop. In case of a favorable decision, a Minister of this Church may, at his discretion, bless the parties to the union.

CANON 42.

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 enrollment 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.

[ii.] 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 43.**

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 44.**

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 corrections 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, or a part or parts thereof, shall be made, printed, published, or used as of authority in this Church, unless it contains 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. And no copy or edition of the Book of Common Prayer, or a part or parts thereof, shall be made, printed, published, or used
as of authority in this Church, or certified as afore-said, which contains or is bound up with any alterations or additions thereto, or with any other matter, except the Holy Scriptures or the authorized Hymnal of this Church.

§ 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 Presiding 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 45.

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.
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CANON 46.
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 47.
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 48.
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
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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 49.

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 testimonals 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 Con-
VENTION 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 pro-
vision, by appointment by the Ecclesiastical Author-
ity of the Diocese. During such periods as shall be
stated in the certificate issued to him by the appoint-
ing 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 re-
ceive 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 conse-
crations of all the Bishops of this Church, design-
ating 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 authenti-
cation 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 50. 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; (7) the names of the Clergy who have been suspended 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 Deaconesses 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 Treasurer 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.
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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 50.**

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 committee 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 51.**

*Of Business Methods in Church Affairs.*

§ I. The Fiscal year shall begin January 1st.

§ II. 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.

§ III. 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 book-
keeper in no way connected with the subject matter of the account.

§ IV. 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 52.
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,
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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

In case new Diocese or Missionary District be created.
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 Dio­
ceses and Missionary Districts within the Province
shall be such as from time to time shall be deter­
dined 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 juris­
diction 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.

§ 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, com­
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 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.
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§ 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.

§ X. Whenever the General Convention shall refer any subject to the Provincial Synods, or any of them, for their consideration, it shall be the duty of such Synods to consider the subject or subjects so referred to them at the first meeting of the Synod held after the adjournment of the General Convention, and to report their action and judgment in the matter to the Secretary of the House of Bishops and to the Secretary of the House of Deputies at least six months before the date of the meeting of the next General Convention.

**CANON 53.**

**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.

CANON 54.
Of New Dioceses.

§ 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
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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 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 55.**

**Of Parishes and Congregations.**

§ I. Every Congregation of this Church shall belong to the Church 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, 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
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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 certifi­
cate 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 signa­
ture 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 adjourn­
ment 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 adminis­
tering the affairs of the same, and in settling such
questions as may, by means of their peculiar situa­
tion, arise, a Council of Advice, consisting of four
Clergymen 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 suc­
cessors 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.

**CANON 56.**

**Of Parish Vestries.**

§ 1. 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 57.**

**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 max-
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imum 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 right 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 58.**

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.

**ARTICLE II.** The National Council, as constituted by Canon, 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, two Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers as may be appointed in accordance with the Canons or by-laws. The President shall be the Presiding Bishop of the Church, elected in accordance with the Constitution, and in the event of a vacancy in the office of Presiding Bishop, caused by death, resignation or inability to serve,
the Presiding Officer of the National Council shall be ex-officio President of the Society. The two Vice-Presidents shall be the persons who are the Vice-Presidents of the National Council and they shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to them 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 other officers of the Society shall be such as are provided for by the by-laws thereof. 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 59.

Of the Presiding Bishop and the National Council.

§ 1. [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.

[iii.] The Presiding Bishop shall be, ex-officio, the President of the Council. In case of a vacancy in the office of the Presiding Bishop, caused by
death, resignation or in case of inability to serve, so much of his duties as pertain to the National Council shall be performed by the First Vice-President of the National Council, or in case of his death, resignation or inability to serve, the Second Vice-President of the National Council as President thereof, to serve until a Presiding Bishop shall have been elected in accordance with the constitution and shall have taken office.

§ II. |i.1 The National Council, herein referred to as the Council, shall be composed of sixteen members elected by the General Convention, of whom four shall be Bishops, four shall be Presbyters, and eight shall be Laymen, two Bishops, two Presbyters, and four Laymen to be elected at each triennial meeting of General Convention; 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, the Vice-Presidents and the Treasurer of the Council shall be ex-officio members thereof.

|i.1| The term of office of the members of the Council elected by the General Convention (other than the ex-officio members) shall be six years, commencing on the ensuing first day of January, and the term of office of the members elected by the Provincial Synods shall be three years, commencing on the first day of January following the ensuing regular meeting of the General Convention, and all such members shall remain in office until their duly elected successors are entitled, respectively, to assume their offices.

No member of the Council, elected by a Provincial Synod, who, at the expiration of his then cur-
rent term will have served for six consecutive years shall be eligible for immediate re-election.

Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the death or resignation of a member elected by the General Convention or through the change in status of any such member by consecration or ordination the Council shall fill such vacancy by the election of a suitable person to serve until his successor is elected by General Convention. The General Convention shall elect a suitable person to serve the portion of any term which will remain unexpired.

Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the failure of any Provincial Synod to elect a member, or through the death, resignation or removal from the Province, of any such member, the President and Executive Council of the Province shall appoint a suitable person, 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.

In its capacity as the Board of Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, the Council shall have the power to direct the disposition of the moneys and other property of said Society in accordance with the provisions of this Canon and the orders and budgets adopted or approved by the General Convention.

§ III. [i.] The President shall appoint, subject to confirmation by the Council, two male commun-
icants of the Church, either clerical or lay, to be Vice-Presidents of the Council who shall be *ex-officio* members thereof. They shall be designated by the President and the Council as First and Second Vice-President, respectively. Each of such Vice-Presidents shall be the Vice-Chairman and a member of such of the Departments, organized under the provisions of Section V. hereof, as may be assigned by the President and Council to his charge, and shall perform such other duties as may from time to time be assigned by the President.

[ii.] The Council shall elect a Secretary and prescribe his duties.

§ 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 Presiding Bishop and the Council shall appoint such Assistant Treasurers as may be necessary, to hold office during their pleasure, and until their successors are appointed.

[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. [i.] The Council shall organize the following executive Departments and shall define their duties:

First: A Department of Domestic Missions.
Second: A Department of Foreign Missions.
Third: A Department of Religious Education.
Fourth: A Department of Christian Social Service.

Fifth: A Department of Finance.

Sixth: A Department of Publicity.

Seventh: 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, as provided by the By-Laws, 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.

[v.] The Council shall also organize an Advisory Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, with such officers attached thereto as the Presiding Bishop and the National Council may from time to time determine.
§ 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 request of the Presiding Officer or at the written request of any nine members thereof.

[ii.] Nine elected members of the Council shall be necessary to constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Council.

§ 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;

§ 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
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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 Council shall have the power to expend all sums of money covered by the budget and estimated budgets approved by the Convention, subject to such restrictions as may be imposed by General 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 Council, the need for which may have arisen after the action of the General Convention, as in the judgment of the 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 principle 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 in exceptional cases.

§ XII. This Canon shall take effect immediately and all Canons or parts of Canons inconsistent with the provisions of this Canon are hereby repealed.

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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 61.

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 directed, or until changed as in the next Section provided.
§ II. The Committee on Canons of each House 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 62.**

**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 63.**

**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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