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Presiding Bishop and Chairman of the House of Bishops; first elected Presiding Bishop at special meeting of the House of Bishops held in Chicago, March, 1930; re-elected, General Convention, Denver, Colorado, 1931.
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[Total number, 144, including 10 Foreign Missionary Bishops, 19 resigned Bishops, and 10 Suffragan Bishops.
Quorum of the House, 53.
Majority of 133 entitled to vote, 67.]
*Not present at the session.
FIRST DAY
Cincinnati, Ohio, Wednesday,
October 6, 1937.

This being the day and place appointed under its Constitution by the last Convention for the meeting of the General Convention of 1937, the Holy Communion was celebrated in Christ Church at half-past seven o'clock by the Presiding Bishop; the Bishop of Delaware reading the Epistle and the Bishop of Indianapolis reading the Gospel, assisted by the Bishops of Virginia, Los Angeles, Southern Ohio, the Rector of the Parish and the Secretaries of both Houses.

At eleven o'clock the Bishops attended Divine Service with the Clerical and Lay Deputies in the Stadium of the University of Cincinnati.

After Morning Prayer the sermon was preached by the Bishop of California. An offering was received for the Missionary work of the Church.

The House of Bishops met for business in the Commandery Room in the Masonic Temple at three o'clock. The Bishops not previously presented were presented to the House, to-wit:

The Right Reverend the Bishop of Liberia, by Bishop Campbell
Right Reverend the Bishop of Wyoming, by the Bishop of Chicago
Right Reverend the Bishop of the Panama Canal Zone, by the Bishop of Los Angeles
Right Reverend the Bishop of Western Massachusetts, by Bishop Lawrence
Right Reverend the Bishop of North Dakota, by the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota
Right Reverend the Bishop Coadjutor of Kansas, by the Bishop of Kansas

The Roll was called and it was found that one hundred and fourteen (114) Bishops, being more than a quorum, were present, to wit:

Bishop Lawrence
Bishop of Alaska

Bishop of Indianapolis
Bishop of West Virginia
Bishop of Western Michigan
Bishop of Maine
Bishop of Rhode Island
Bishop of Virginia
Bishop of Anking
Bishop of Minnesota
Bishop of Puerto Rico
Bishop of DuMoulin
Bishop of New Mexico
Bishop of West Texas
Bishop Jones
Bishop of East Carolina
Bishop of Cuba
Bishop of Michigan
Bishop Fiske
Bishop of Kansas
Bishop of Colorado
Bishop of Arkansas
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 Philippine Islands
Bishop of Southwestern Virginia
Bishop of Utah
Bishop of Easton
Bishop of Los Angeles
Bishop of Rochester
Bishop of Delaware
Bishop of Montana
Bishop of Salina
Bishop of Upper South Carolina
Bishop of New York
Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado
Bishop of Erie
Bishop of North Carolina
Bishop of Tennessee
Bishop of Alabama
Bishop of Albany
Bishop of South Dakota
Bishop of Pittsburgh
Bishop of Washington
Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia
Bishop of Bethlehem
Bishop of Spokane
Bishop of Springfield
Bishop of Central New York
Bishop of Florida
Bishop of North Texas
Suffragan Bishop of Hankow
Bishop of Northern Indiana
Bishop of Olympia
Bishop of South Florida
Bishop of Long Island
Bishop Campbell
Bishop of Southern Brazil
Bishop of Georgia
Bishop of Arizona
Bishop Adjutor of Michigan
Bishop of Kyoto
Bishop of New Hampshire
Bishop of Maryland
Bishop of Oklahoma
Bishop of South Carolina
Bishop of Tohoku
Bishop of Nevada
Suffragan Bishop of Long Island
Bishop of Eau Claire
Bishop of Lexington
Bishop of Pennsylvania
Bishop of Fond du Lac
Bishop of Western New York
Bishop of Honolulu
Bishop of Northern Michigan
Bishop of Southern Ohio
Bishop of Missouri
Suffragan Bishop of Los Angeles
Bishop of Chicago
Bishop of Massachusetts
Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia
Suffragan Bishop of New York
Bishop of West Missouri
Bishop of Duluth
Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota
Suffragan Bishop of Alaska
Bishop of Mexico
Bishop of Connecticut
Bishop of Idaho
Bishop of Newark
Bishop of Sacramento
Bishop of Western North Carolina
Suffragan Bishop of Newark
Bishop of Oregon
Bishop of Liberia
Bishop of Vermont
Bishop Coadjutor of Rochester
Bishop of Kentucky
Bishop Coadjutor of Western Mich.
Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey
Bishop of Quincy
Bishop of Wyoming
Bishop of Panama Canal Zone
Bishop of Western Massachusetts
Bishop of North Dakota
Bishop Coadjutor of Kansas
The Presiding Bishop announced the death since the last meeting of the House of the following named Bishops, to-wit:


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

The House proceeded to the election of a Secretary.

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

The Secretary through the Presiding Bishop announced the appointment of the Rev. John H. Fitzgerald as Assistant Secretary which was confirmed by the House.

The Bishop of Minnesota nominated the Bishop of Indianapolis as Vice-Chairman of the House, and the Secretary was instructed to cast one ballot. The ballot was cast and the chair declared the Bishop of Indianapolis elected and invited him to a chair on the platform.

The Presiding Bishop appointed as his Assessor the Bishop of Delaware. On motion of the Bishop of Easton the House approved the appointment.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the regular sessions of the House were ordered to meet daily 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, and on Saturday from 10 o'clock in the morning to 1:00 o'clock P.M.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota 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 Olympia and the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota 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.]

The Presiding Bishop announced the following Standing Committees:
Standing Committees House of Bishops

1. On Dispatch of Business.—The Bishop of Western New York, the Bishop of Massachusetts, Bishop Stearly.

2. On Rules of Order.—Bishop Woodcock, the Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of Cuba, the Bishop of Sacramento, the Bishop of the Panama Canal Zone, the Bishop of Fond du Lac, the Bishop of San Joaquin.

3. On Nomination of Missionary Bishops.—The Bishop of Puerto Rico, the Bishop of West Texas, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Colorado, the Bishop of Tohoku, the Bishop of Florida, the Suffragan Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishop of Dallas.

4. On Amendments to the Constitution.—The Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Kansas, the Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop of Alabama, the Bishop of New Hampshire, the Bishop of Eau Claire, the Bishop of Oregon, the Bishop of Connecticut.

5. On Canons.—The Bishop of West Virginia, the Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Kansas, the Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop of Alabama, the Bishop of New Hampshire, the Bishop of Eau Claire, the Bishop of Oregon, the Bishop of Connecticut.

6. On Memorials and Petitions.—The Bishop of the Philippine Islands, the Bishop of Haiti, the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the Bishop of South Florida, the Bishop of Utah, the Bishop of South Carolina, the Bishop of Liberia, the Bishop of North Tokyo.

7. On Domestic Missions.—The Bishop of Mississippi, the Bishop of Iowa, the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop of Louisiana, the Bishop of Ohio, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Michigan, the Bishop of Idaho, Bishop Bennett, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Rochester.

8. On Foreign Missions.—The Bishop of Indianapolis, the Bishop of Virginia, the Bishop of Los Angeles, the Bishop of Washington, the Bishop of Long Island, the Bishop of Chicago, the Suffragan Bishop of Newark.

9. On Rural Work.—The Bishop-Coadjutor of Mississippi, the Bishop of Easton, the Bishop of Central New York, the Bishop of Vermont, the Bishop of Arkansas, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Virginia, the Bishop of Albany, the Bishop of Lexington, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Kansas.

10. On Prayer Book.—The Bishop of Atlanta, the Bishop of California, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop-Coadjutor of West Virginia, the Bishop of Northern Indiana, the Bishop of West Missouri, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Minnesota, the Bishop of Mexico, the Bishop of Wyoming.

11. On Christian Education.—The Bishop of Anking, the Bishop of Michigan, the Bishop of Arizona, the Bishop of Rochester, the Suffragan Bishop of Los Angeles, the Bishop of Duluth, the Bishop-Coadjutor of Western Michigan, the Suffragan Bishop of Hankow.

12. On Social Service.—The Bishop of Maine, the Bishop of New Mexico, the Bishop of Texas, the Bishop of Bethlehem, the Bishop of Missouri, the Suffragan Bishop of New York, the Bishop of North Dakota.

13. On Consecration of Bishops.—The Bishop of North Texas, the Bishop of Southern Brazil, the Bishop of Georgia, the Bishop of Nevada, the Bishop of Lexington, the Bishop of Springfield.
14. On New Dioceses.—The Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Southern Virginia, the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of Maryland, the Bishop of Harrisburg, the Bishop of Western North Carolina, the Bishop of Spokane, the Bishop of Western Massachusetts.

15. On General Theological Seminary.—The Bishop-Coadjutor of New Jersey, Bishop Fiske, the Bishop of Salina, the Bishop of Erie, the Bishop of Honolulu, the Bishop of Marquette, the Bishop of Quincy, Bishop Campbell.

16. On Resignation of Bishops.—The Bishop of Alaska, the Bishop of Oklahoma, the Bishop of Western Nebraska, the Bishop of Olympia the Bishop of Kyoto, the Bishop of North Carolina, the Bishop of Kentucky.

17. On Unfinished Business.—The Bishop of East Carolina, the Bishop of Nebraska, the Bishop of Southwestern Virginia, the Bishop of Montana, the Bishop of Upper South Carolina, the Bishop of Pennsylvania.

On motion of the Bishop of West Texas the House agreed to meet with the House of Deputies in a Joint Session on Thursday afternoon, October 7, at 2:30 P.M. to receive guests and the Mayor of the City of Cincinnati, and to hear reports of the Conferences at Oxford and Edinburgh.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the House confirmed a meeting of a Joint Session on Friday, October 8, beginning at 11 o'clock and continuing through the afternoon.

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

A memorial from the Province of Sewanee relative to Lay Readers administering the Chalice which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A memorial from the Province of New England on the same matter which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A memorial from the Convocation of the Missionary District of Nevada on the same matter which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A memorial from the Province of Washington on the same matter which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A memorial from the Diocese of Virginia on requiring a Health Certificate before marriage which was referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

A memorial from the Diocese of Virginia on Marriage and Divorce which was referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

Memorials from the Dioceses of Michigan, Harrisburg, Rochester and the Missionary District of Nevada, and the American Church Union on the same matter which were referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

A memorial from the Social Service Commission of the Diocese of Michigan on the same matter which was referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.
A memorial from the Diocese of Long Island on the Placement of Clergy which was referred to the Joint Commission on Placement of the Clergy.

A memorial from the Province of Pacific relative to Candidates for Holy Orders which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A Memorial from the Province of Pacific relative to Provincial Nominations for Episcopate which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A memorial from the Province of Pacific relative to an interview by a Postulant with his Bishop which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

A memorial from the Diocese of Michigan relative to Transfer of Islands which was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

Memorials from the Missionary District of Arizona, the Diocese of Virginia and the Berkeley Conference relative to the Continuance of Forward Movement which was referred to the Commission on Forward Movement.

A memorial from the Diocese of Maryland with an invitation to the General Convention to meet in Baltimore in 1940 and referred to the Committee on Place of the Next Convention.

A memorial from a Clergyman of the Church on Racial Episcopate which was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

A memorial from St. John’s Guild relative to the Title of the Presiding Bishop which was referred to the Committee on the Status of the Work of the Presiding Bishop.

A memorial from the Diocese of Alabama relative to the Church Life Insurance Corporation which was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

In presenting a Memorial from Bishop William Montgomery Brown asking for reinstatement in the House of Bishops, the Chair declared that, with all consideration, the matter was res judicata and thus not within the jurisdiction of this House.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York a memorial on the Church Pension Fund was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Presiding Bishop presented resignations from the Bishop of Shanghai, the Bishop of Hankow, the Bishop of Western Michigan, the Bishop of New Jersey, the Bishop of Arkansas, the Bishop of Southwestern Virginia, Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts, and the Bishop of Southern Virginia, which were referred to the Committee on Resignations of Bishops.

The Bishop of Bethlehem presented a resolution on War and Peace which was referred to the Committee on National and International Problems.

On motion of the Bishop of Lexington a resolution on the appointment of a Joint Committee consisting of five Bishops, five
Presbyters, and five Laymen on National and International Problems was placed on the calendar.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the report of the Joint Commission on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop together with resolutions 1, 2 and 4 was referred to the Committee on Canons and resolution 3 of the report was placed on the calendar.

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado the report of the Joint Commission to consider and evaluate the Activities of the National Council together with a resolution was put on the calendar.

On motion of the Bishop of Los Angeles a resolution of greetings of this House to the Synod of the Province of the West Indies was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Bishop of Michigan presented by title the report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce which was placed on the calendar.

The Bishop of Washington presented by title the report of the Joint Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains which was placed on the calendar.

The House arose to receive the Very Rev. Stephen E. McGinley and Mr. Bradford Locke of the House of Deputies who informed the House of Bishops that the House of Deputies was organized and ready for business, presenting the following Message from that House:

**MESSAGE No. 1.**

First Day of Session, October 6th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has organized by the election of the Rev. Ze Barney T. Phillips, D.D., LL.D., S.T.D., of Washington as President, and the Rev. Franklin J. Clark of Bethlehem as Secretary, and is now ready to proceed to business.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Kentucky a message of sympathy and assurance of the prayers of the members of this House was sent to Bishop Woodcock.

On motion of the Bishop of New York a message of sympathy and hope for a speedy recovery was sent to the Bishop of Southern Virginia.

On motion of the Bishop of Southern Ohio similar messages were sent to the Bishop of Milwaukee and the Bishop of Ohio.
On motion of the Bishop of Los Angeles similar message was sent to the Bishop of San Joaquin.

On motion of the Bishop of Nevada a similar message was sent to the Bishop of Western Nebraska.

On motion of the Bishop of Spokane a message was sent to Mrs. N. S. Thomas assuring her of the prayers of this House for her comfort.

On motion of the Bishop of Lexington a message of sympathy and hope for a speedy recovery was sent to Bishop Burton.

On motion of the Bishop of Newark a message of regret because of his absence was sent to Bishop Steary.

On motion of the Bishop of Easton a message was sent to Bishop Touret expressing regret at his absence because of the illness of his wife.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany a message was sent to Bishop Carson expressing the hope of this House for his speedy recovery.

On motion of the Bishop of Dallas a similar message was sent to Bishop Winchester.

The Bishop of Arizona presented a resolution to amend Canon 13 which was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany the House adjourned.

THE SECOND DAY

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7TH, 1937.

The House of Bishops was called to order at 10:00 A. M., with the Vice-Chairman in the Chair. His Grace, the Archbishop of Toronto and Primate of Canada, was escorted to the Chair and invited to a seat upon the platform. The Roll was called and the following Bishops not previously answering Roll Call, were recorded as present:

The Bishop of New Jersey
The Bishop of South Florida
Bishop Moreland
The Bishop of Harrisburg

The Vice-Chairman opened the meeting with prayer, the Bishop Coadjutor of Kansas reading a lesson of Holy Scripture,
The Minutes of yesterday’s Session were read and approved.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, a message of sympathy with the assurance of the prayers of this House was sent to the Suffragan Bishop of Shanghai.

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

On motion of the Bishop of New Hampshire, a similar message was sent to Bishop Brewster.

The Bishop of Massachusetts reported the organization of the Committee on despatch of business with the Bishop of Massachusetts as Chairman.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the House limited speeches, except on special resolution of the House, to five minutes in length.

The Secretary presented a Memorial from a Layman of the Church on the subject of the Group Movement which was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

On motion of the Bishop of Long Island, a resolution concerning college and religion was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

The Presiding Bishop presented his Canonical Acts since last Convention as follows:

**CANONICAL ACTS OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP**

**From September 2, 1934, to September 29, 1937**

October 22, 1934—Gave Mandate to the Bishop of Shanghai to consecrate the Reverend John Williams Nichols, D.D., Suffragan-Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Shanghai.

October 22, 1934—Notified the Secretary of the House of Bishops that by action of the Convention the status of the Suffragan Bishop of Mexico had been changed to that of the Bishop of Mexico, and requested him to make the necessary notation in the records.

November 15, 1934—Appointed sixteen members of this Church (including Bishops, Priests, laymen and women) to serve as “Consultative Members” of the Federal Council of Churches.

December 1, 1934—Certified to Archbishops of Anglican and Orthodox Churches list of Bishops consecrated since the meeting of General Convention in September, 1931.

December 7, 1934—Received from the Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of British Columbia and recorded the official notification of the enthronement on September 18, 1934, of all Right Reverend Derwin Trevor Owen, D.D., D.C.L., as Primate of All Canada.
December 12, 1934—Appointed the Bishop of Los Angeles and the Bishop of Ohio to the Universal Council on Life and Work.

February 6, 1935—In accordance with resolution of General Convention, sent to all Bishops having jurisdiction in Continental United States copy of the resolution on unchurched children in this country, requesting their conventions and convocations to give due consideration to the subject.

February 11, 1935—Gave official approval to revised canons of the Missionary District of Arizona as submitted by the Right Reverend Walter Mitchell, D.D.

February 22, 1935—On request of the Archbishop of Canterbury, appointed the Reverend Frank Gavin, Ph.D., as representative of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America to attend the Archbishop's Delegation to the Church in Roumania, at Bucharest, in the months of May and June, 1935.

March 1, 1935—Received from the Archbishop of Capetown and recorded notice of the consecration on January 25, 1935, of the Reverend Arthur Henry Howe Browne to be Bishop of Bloemfontein.

August 2, 1935—Issued Call to the members of the House of Bishops to meet at Houston, Texas, November 5-6-7, 1935.

August 2, 1935—Sent formal notification of the resignation of the Bishop of North Tokyo and the Bishop of Newark to all members of the House of Bishops having jurisdiction.

August 27, 1935—Instructed the Secretary of the House of Bishops to change the status of the Bishop of Idaho on the roll of the House of Bishops to that of Bishop Coadjutor of Georgia as of this date.

September 10, 1935—Appointed the Bishops of Northern Indiana, Ohio and of Eau Claire to represent me as a special committee to confer with the Dioceses of Chicago, Springfield and Quincy on the redistribution of diocesan boundaries.

September 11, 1935—Sent formal notification of the resignation of the Bishop of Kentucky to all members of the House having jurisdiction.

September 23, 1935—Received and recorded formal announcement of the consecration of the Reverend Harold Eustace Sexton, D.D., as Bishop Coadjutor of British Columbia.

October 1, 1935—Appointed the Bishop of North Dakota to be my representative as Bishop-in-charge of the Missionary District of Idaho until further notice, and so notified the Secretary of the House of Bishops.

October 1, 1935—Sent formal notification of the resignation of the Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey to all the members of the House of Bishops having jurisdiction.

October 5, 1935—Sent formal notification of the resignation of the Bishop of Central New York and the Bishop of Liberia to all members of the House of Bishops having jurisdiction.

October 15, 1935—Notified the members of the House of Bishops that the Synod of the Province of the Pacific had nominated the Reverend
Harry Beal, D.D., Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Los Angeles, California, to be Bishop of the Missionary District of Idaho.

October 17, 1935—Appointed the Bishop of Atlanta to the Commission on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Bishop Gailor.

November 7, 1935—Appointed the Bishop of Eau Claire to the Committee of the House of Bishops on Canons, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Bishop Vincent.

December 13, 1935—Sent notice to the Standing Committees of action of House of Bishops in electing Dean Kroll to be Bishop of Liberia.

December 17, 1935—Appointed the Bishop of Idaho to the Bishop in charge of the District of North Dakota until February 1, 1936, and so notified the Secretary of the House of Bishops.

January 8, 1936—Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Reverend Vedder Van Dyck, Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Vermont.

January 9, 1936—Received from the Diocese of New Jersey notice asking for consent to the election of a Bishop Coadjutor for the Diocese. Gave consent.

January 13, 1936—Gave Mandate to the Bishop of New Jersey for the consecration of the Very Reverend Benjamin Dunlap Dagwell, D.D., Bishop-elect of Oregon, on February 12, 1936, in Trinity Church, Portland, Oregon.


February 7, 1936—Appointed the Rt. Rev. Stephen E. Keeler, D.D., as my substitute in charge of the Missionary District of North Dakota until the vacancy in the District shall have been filled.

February 15, 1936—Received notification from the Bishop of New Jersey that Bishop Dagwell was duly and canonically consecrated as Bishop of Oregon on February 12, 1936.


February 24, 1936—Consecrated the Reverend Vedder Van Dyck Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Vermont in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, Vermont.

March 3, 1936—Sent formal approval of proposed sub-section 8, District Canon 3, Missionary of District of North Texas to the Secretary of the Convocation of North Texas.

April 8, 1936—Sent invitation to the Anglican Bishops of Canada, the West Indies and South America to attend a Pan-American Conference of Bishops, as guests of the Diocese of Chicago, at St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, Evanston, Illinois, October 16-19, 1936.

April 22, 1936—Consecrated the Reverend Charles Clingman, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Kentucky at Christ Church Cathedral, Louisville, Kentucky.

May 1, 1936—Consecrated the Reverend Lewis Bliss Whittemore Bishop Coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Western Michigan in Grace Church, Grand Rapids, Michigan.


May 22, 1936—Appointed the Rt. Rev. Fred Ingley, D.D., my substitute in charge of the Missionary District of Wyoming until the vacancy in the District shall have been filled.


July 1, 1936—Issued Call for the regular annual session of the House of Bishops to be held at St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, Evanston, Illinois, October 12-15, 1936.


December 4, 1936—Took order for the ordination and consecration of Venerable Winfred Hamlin Ziegler, Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Wyoming.

December 4, 1936—Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Reverend Harry Beal, D.D., Bishop-elect of the District of the Panama Canal Zone.


December 9, 1936—Gave Mandate to the President of the Eighth Province to appoint the Bishop of Los Angeles to consecrate the Very Reverend Harry Beal, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Panama Canal Zone.

December 9, 1936—Gave Mandate to the Bishop of Chicago to consecrate the Venerable Winfred Hamlin Ziegler, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Missionary District of Wyoming.
December 11, 1936—Took order for the ordination and consecration of the Reverend William Appleton Lawrence, D.D., Bishop-elect of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts.

January 28, 1937—Approved amendments to proposed changes in Canons as submitted by the Bishop and Convocation of the Missionary District of North Texas.

January 13, 1937—Officiated at consecration, and appointed Bishop William Lawrence as consecrator, of the Reverend W. Appleton Lawrence, D.D., Bishop-elect of Western Massachusetts, at Christ Church Cathedral, Springfield, Massachusetts.

February 16, 1937—Appointed the Bishop of Virginia to represent the Church in the United States at the fiftieth anniversary of the Nippon Sei Kokwai.


September 24, 1937—Gave Mandate to the Bishop of Kansas to consecrate the Reverend Goodrich Fenner, Bishop Coadjutor-elect of the Diocese of Kansas, at Christ Church Cathedral, Topeka, Kansas.

The Chairman announced the following changes in the Committees of the House:

The Bishop of Albany is changed from the Committee on Rural Work to the Committee on the Prayer Book and the Bishop of Wyoming is changed from the Committee on the Prayer Book to the Committee on Rural Work.

The Bishop of Duluth presented resolutions relative to daily events in the program of the Convention. The resolutions were lost.

The Bishop of New Hampshire reported the organization of the National Commission on Evangelism with the Bishop of New Hampshire as Chairman and Mr. Samuel Thorne as Secretary and Treasurer.

The House stood adjourned.

THIRD DAY
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1937.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of North Dakota reading a Lesson from Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Minutes of yesterday's Sessions were read and approved.
At the request of the Presiding Bishop the Vice-Chairman took the Chair.

On motion of the Bishop of California, a resolution to amend Art. I, Sec. 7 of the Constitution was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution on the third day.

On motion of the Bishop of East Carolina, a Report of the Committee on the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was placed on the Calendar.

On motion of the Bishop of Arizona, a message was directed to be sent to newly consecrated Auxiliary Bishop of Cincinnati of the Roman Catholic Church. The Chair appointed the Bishop of Colorado and the Bishop of Arizona a Committee to prepare a proper message.

The Bishop of New York presented a telegram of sincere greetings from the Bishops, Clergy, and Lay Delegates of the All American Council of the Russian Orthodox Church of America assembled in New York City and the Chair was instructed to reciprocate with a similar message to that body.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, a resolution in relation to the World Council of Churches was referred to the Committee on Faith and Order.

On motion of the Bishop of West Missouri, the Report of the Committee to study the subject of Confirmation was put on the Calendar.

The Bishop of West Missouri presented the Report of the Committee to make a study of the subject of Confirmation.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, Section I of the "Conclusions" was amended by changing "i.e." to "e.g."

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado, Section III of the "Conclusions" was stricken out.

The Bishop of Harrisburg moved that in Section I of the "Conclusions", the words "and the Reformed Episcopal Church" be deleted. The resolution was lost.

The Report of the Committee was accepted and the "Conclusions" as amended adopted.

The Presiding Bishop appeared and took his seat.
The Chair offered to the House the Report of the Registrar of the Convention, to be recorded in the Appendix of the Journal. (Appendix No. 28).

The Chair presented a telegram of greetings from the Central Conference of American Rabbis and asked the Secretary to reciprocate and to send the greetings of this House.

The Chair presented telegrams of greetings from the Congregation of St. Peter's Parish, Peekskill, N. Y. and from the Women's Missionary Society of the Cincinnati Presbytery, and on motion of the Bishop of Pittsburgh, the greetings were acknowledged with appreciation.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the Report of the Committee on Dispatch of Business.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, nomination of Missionary Bishops was made the Order of the Day for Saturday, October 9, at 12:30 P.M.

The Chair presented a Memorial from the Brotherhood of St. Andrew which was put upon the Calendar.

On motion, the House adjourned to meet with the House of Deputies in Joint Session.

FOURTH DAY

SPECIAL, OCTOBER 9, 1937.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of Western Massachusetts reading a Lesson from Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

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

On nomination by the Bishop of Minnesota the following Bishops were elected on the Court for the trial of a Bishop:

1943—Bishop of Pittsburgh
    Bishop of Upper So. Carolina
    Bishop of Central New York

1946—Bishop of Montana
    Bishop of Newark
    Bishop of Indianapolis

1946—Bishop of Los Angeles
    Bishop of West Virginia
    Bishop of Bethlehem

and on the Court of Review:

1943—Bishop of Mississippi
    Bishop of Colorado
    Bishop of Western New York

1946—Bishop of Los Angeles
    Bishop of West Virginia
    Bishop of Bethlehem
On motion of the Bishop of East Carolina, a Memorial on the Findings of the Eleventh Conference for Laymen at Kanuga, N. C. was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

The Chair presented to the House a telegram of greetings from Rabbi Samuel Wohl and Rabbi James G. Heller and on motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Secretary was instructed to answer this telegram with appreciation of this House.

The Chair presented a large number of greetings and communications from individuals in the Church which were referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

The Bishop of Minnesota in Report No. 1 of the Committee on Canons and the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution reported these Committees organized with the Bishop of West Virginia as Chairman, the Bishop of Minnesota as Secretary, and the Bishop of New Hampshire as Assistant Secretary.

The Bishop of Olympia presented the Report of the Committee on Resignation of Bishops. On motion of the Bishop of New York, consideration of this Report was deferred.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi moved that the Report of the Committee on Resignation be given in Executive Session. The motion was lost.

The Bishop of Olympia presented the report of the Committee on Resignation of Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis, the resignation of the Bishop of the Missionary District of Hankow on account of age, was accepted to take place immediately.

On motion of the Bishop of Olympia, the resignation of the Bishop of Western Michigan, on account of age, was accepted to take place on the first of November, 1937.

On motion of the Bishop of Olympia, the resignation of the Bishop of Arkansas, on account of age and impaired health, was accepted to take effect on the first of January, 1938.

On motion of the Bishop of Olympia, the resignation of the Bishop of New Jersey, on account of age, was accepted to take effect on the first of November, 1937.

On motion of the Bishop of Olympia, the resignation of the Bishop of Southwestern Virginia, on account of age, was accepted to take effect on May 17th, 1938.
On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis, the resignation of the Bishop of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Shanghai, on account of advancing years, was accepted to take effect immediately.

On motion of the Bishop of Olympia the resignation of the Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts on account of age was accepted to take effect on the first day of January, 1938.

On motion of the Bishop of Olympia, the resignation of the Bishop of Southern Virginia, on account of ill health, was accepted to take effect upon acceptance by the House.

The Chair requested that it be noted upon the Record that the change in the dates of the resignation of the Bishop of Shanghai was made solely to make possible an election to fill the vacancy at this Convention.

On motion of the Bishop of Kansas, the Committee on Foreign Missions was requested to draw up resolutions to express the feeling of this House in regard to the resignations of the Bishop of Hankow and the Bishop of Shanghai.

The Presiding Bishop requested the Secretary of the House of Bishops to make the necessary changes in the status of the Bishops resigned.

The House stood for noon-day prayers.

The Bishop of Massachusetts called for the Order of the Day which was the nomination of Missionary Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the Rules of Order were suspended and nominations were called for without Roll Call.

The Bishop of Indianapolis nominated as Bishop to fill the vacancy in the Missionary District of Shanghai, the Rev. William Payne Roberts, who had been nominated by the House of Bishops of the Church in China through the Presiding Bishop, Dr. Norris. The nomination was seconded by the Bishop of Virginia and the nominations closed.

The Bishop of Indianapolis nominated as Bishop of the Missionary District of Hankow, the Right Rev. Alfred Alonzo Gilman, S.T.D. The nomination was seconded by the Bishop of Virginia and the nominations were closed.
On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the nominations of Missionary Bishops just made were referred to the Committee on the election of Missionary Bishops.

On motion the House adjourned.

FIFTH DAY

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1937.

The House met after Devotions, the Bishop of the Missionary District of Panama Canal Zone reading a Lesson from Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Minutes of yesterday’s Session were read and approved.

The Chair welcomed with great pleasure the Bishop of Dornakal who was escorted to a seat upon the platform.

The Bishop of Massachusetts reporting for the Committee on Dispatch of Business suggested as the Order of Business first receiving various resolutions and then the Order of the Day at 11 o'clock the Report of the Joint Committee on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Mississippi appeared and took his seat.

On motion of the Bishop of Arizona, an addition to his former resolution relative to resignation of Bishops and Provinces was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of East Carolina presented the Report of the Advisory Committee to the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. The House accepted the Report and the Committee was continued.

The Bishop of Arizona reporting for the Special Committee appointed to consider a reply to the greetings made by the Auxiliary Bishop of Cincinnati reported the following letter as having been sent:

CINCINNATI, OHIO,
OCTOBER 8TH, 1937.

The Rt. Rev. George J. Rehring,
Auxiliary Bishop of Cincinnati.
Right Reverend and Dear Sir:

The House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America meeting at Cincinnati at its session today, has requested that a message of greeting be sent you on the occasion of your
consecration as Auxiliary Bishop of Cincinnati, and prays for God's blessing on your Episcopate.

I take pleasure in sending this message on behalf of my brethren, and I am, my dear Bishop, with every good wish for you and for your work,

Faithfully yours,

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Eastern Oregon presented the Report of the Commission on Church Army in U. S. A.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops congratulates Church Army in U. S. A. on the Tenth Anniversary of its organization in this country and gratefully acknowledges the service they have rendered in Lay Evangelism.

Further, that we assure the Board of Trustees of Church Army, Captain B. F. Mountford and his associates of the hearty co-operation of the House of Bishops and join with many sections of the Church in the hope that Church Army appeals for a more adequate support will be met by a larger response.

Further, that we urge upon the Board of Trustees of Church Army in U. S. A., establishment of recruiting bases in other areas of missionary endeavor as opportunity offers and funds are available.

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

Resolved, That there be appointed a Committee of this House consisting of five (5) Bishops who shall be a Council of Advice to the Young People's Organizations of the Church as represented in the National Federation of Episcopal Young People.

The Chair appointed:

Bishop of Florida,
Bishop of Texas,
Bishop of Western North Carolina,
Bishop of Bethlehem,
Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado.

On motion the House adjourned.

SIXTH DAY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1937.

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

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

The Bishop of Kyoto escorted the Bishop of Mid-Japan to the Chair who welcomed him to a place upon the platform.

The Bishop of Massachusetts reporting for the Committee on Dispatch of Business proposed first the receiving of Resolutions and Petitions.

The Bishop of Maine reported the Committee on Social Service organized with the Bishop of Maine as Chairman and the Suffragan Bishop of New York as Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of South Carolina a resolution relative to a change in the Liturgy was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Bishop of Harrisburg reported the organization of the Committee on New Dioceses with the Bishop of Delaware as Chairman and the Bishop of Harrisburg as Secretary.

The Bishop of Lexington reported the organization of the Committee on Consecration of Bishops with the Bishop of North Texas as Chairman and the Bishop of Lexington as Secretary.

The Bishop of Washington reported the organization of the Committee on National and International Problems with the Bishop of Washington as Chairman and the Very Rev. Frederick C. Grant, D.D. as Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts reporting for the Committee on Dispatch of Business the House adopted the following schedule of the day:

Spirituals by singers of the Church Institute for Negroes.
The Order of the Day, the Commission on World Conference on Faith and Order.

At 2:30 P. M. The American Bible Society.
Wednesday at 4 P. M. the Bishops in Council to receive Nominations.

Thursday at 9 A. M., a celebration of the Holy Communion followed by the Election of Missionary Bishops and the Election of the Presiding Bishop.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, a resolution on Admission of Candidates to Holy Orders was transferred from the Committee on Amendments to Canons to the Commission on the Ministry.

The House stood for Noon-day Prayers.
A group of singers from the American Church Institute for Negroes sang a Spiritual and the Chair expressed the appreciation of the House.

On motion of the Bishop of the Philippine Islands reporting for the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, certain communications relative to the Oxford Group Movement were placed upon the Calendar.

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On motion of the Bishop of the Philippine Islands reporting for the Committee on Memorials and Petitions, the Memorial of the Eleventh Conference for Laymen at Kanuga, N. C. was referred to the Presiding Bishop and National Council.

On motion of the Bishop of Bethlehem felicitations of this House were extended to the Bishop of Los Angeles on the 17th Anniversary of his Consecration this day.

On motion, congratulations were extended to certain other Bishops who have recently celebrated similar anniversaries.

The Chair announced the receipt from the Post Office just now of a Memorial or statement of several Bishops and priests on the subject of Re-Marriage after Divorce. On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts disposition of this Memorial was deferred.

The Bishop of East Carolina reported the organization of the Committee on Unfinished Business with the Bishop of East Carolina as Chairman and the Bishop of Upper South Carolina as Secretary.

On motion the House adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY

Wednesday, October 13, 1937.

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

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Minutes of yesterday’s Session were read and approved.
The Chair read a communication from the Bishop of Honan, North China.

The Bishop of Massachusetts for the Committee on Dispatch of Business presented the order for the day which was adopted as follows:

1. Report of the Committee on nominations of the Presiding Bishop.
2. General Theological Seminary.
3. Dean Fosbroke.
5. Resolution on the above.
7. Forward movement.
8. Bishop of Chicago resolution on commission of Negro work.
11. City Missions.

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado a resolution to amend Canon 41, Sec. VII, sub-section i, was referred to the Committee on Amendments to Canons.

On the invitation of the Chair the Bishop of Mid-Japan spoke to the House and the Chair expressed appreciation for his kindly and illuminating remarks.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the Order of the Day, the election of Missionary Bishops and of the Presiding Bishop was postponed to take place after a Celebration of the Holy Communion on Friday morning at 9 o'clock in the Chapel of Christ Church.

4 P.M., the Bishops to be in Council to receive the report of the Nominating Committee on Missionary Bishops.

The Bishops went into Council.

The Vice Chairman took the Chair.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the Order of Business of the afternoon which was adopted as follows:

1. Committee on Foreign Missions.
2. Joint Commission on Theological Education.
3. Committee on Canons.
4. City Missions.

On motion of the Bishop of Virginia reporting for the Committee on Foreign Missions, the following Resolution was adopted:
Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop, the Bishop of Cuba, the Bishop of Porto Rico, the Bishop of Haiti and the Bishop of the Panama Canal Zone be requested to present the greetings of this House to the Synod of the Province of the West Indies to meet in London in 1940.

The Committee on Foreign Missions begs to report that it has organized by the election of the Bishop of Indianapolis as Chairman and the Bishop of Virginia as Secretary.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Committee having been requested to prepare a minute in connection with the resignation of Bishop Graves, offered the following, which was spread on the minutes.

The House of Bishops wishes to record its deep appreciation of the long and distinguished service, of Bishop Graves, who, with unselfishness and loyalty to the cause of Christ has given his entire ministerial life to China. He went out as a Deacon, served in Wuchang until 1893, when he was elected Bishop of the Missionary District of Shanghai and consecrated in St. Thomas Church, New York. For more than 44 years he has administered that Diocese with wisdom and zeal, and with great effectiveness. His sound judgment, his understanding of the problems involved in the establishment of the Christian Church in China, his executive and administrative ability have been important factors in the growth of the Chinese Church. There has been large development in all branches of Missionary endeavor, evangelistic, educational and philanthropic. The several Anglican Missions have united in the formation of the National Chinese Church. There is a large staff of Chinese Clergy and three native Bishops.

At the same time that we recognize the great value of Bishop Graves' work in China, we recognize how great must be his sorrow and disappointment to see at the close of his administration much of that work destroyed and great numbers of Christians killed or rendered homeless and reduced to poverty. We desire to express to him our sympathy and our belief that the Church in the United States will cooperate generously in furnishing relief and in the restoration of what has been destroyed.

We extend to Bishop Graves our affectionate greetings and we pray that God's blessing may rest upon him.

The House stood adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1937.

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

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Quincy a resolution to amend Article V of the Constitution and Canon 54 was referred to the Committees on Amendments to the Constitution and the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Alabama resolutions to amend Article II, Paragraph 3 and Article II, Paragraph 6 of the Constitution were referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis the House invited Canon Bridgeman to speak for ten minutes immediately following Noon-day Prayers.

The Bishops went into Council.

The Bishops rose from Council at 12:15.

The Bishop of Minnesota as Clerk of the Council reported certain recommendations made to the House by the Bishops in Council as follows:

That a Suffragan Bishop be elected to assist the Bishop of the Philippine Islands.

That the House of Bishops requests its Committee on Foreign Missions to define and interpret the relationship between the Missionary District of Southern Brazil and General Convention.

On motion of the Bishop of Long Island the Committee on Foreign Missions was asked to define and interpret the relationship between the Missionary District of Southern Brazil and General Convention.

The Rev. Canon Bridgeman was presented to the House and brought greetings from the Bishop of Jerusalem.

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

Resolved, That the Rev. Canon Bridgeman be requested to convey from this House of Bishops to the Bishop in Jerusalem our affectionate and brotherly greeting with the assurance of our prayers and our support in the sacred work committed to him in the Holy Land.

The Bishop of North Carolina as an Episcopal descendant of the Statesman Bishop Atkinson presented to the Chair as a symbol of unity a gavel made from a limb of an historic oak tree in Raleigh.
On behalf of the House the Chair acknowledged the gift with appreciation of its historical significance.

The Bishop of Atlanta reported the organization of the Committee on Prayer Book with the Bishop of Atlanta as Chairman and the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota as Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Atlanta reporting for the Committee on Prayer Book a resolution affecting the Rubric "Hymns and Anthems" on page XI of the Book of Common Prayer was referred to the Liturgical Commission for their consideration in future revision of the Prayer Book.

The Bishop of Atlanta reporting for the Committee on Prayer Book reported favorably on a resolution relative to changes in the Standard Book of Common Prayer on page 70 and moved the adoption of the resolution.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany the following as a substitute resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this resolution be referred to the Liturgical Commission to be kept on file until the next revision of the Prayer Book.

The Bishop of Delaware spoke on the American Church Building Fund.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa a Memorial on the matter of Racial Episcopate was referred to the Joint Commission on Negro Work.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the following resolution was adopted as a Standing Resolution of the House:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops expresses the judgment that a Bishop elect before accepting his election should submit to a thorough physical and nervous examination to ascertain the reasonable prospect that he can discharge the duties of his office without undue strain upon his health.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on Canons on an amendment on the National Board of Examining Chaplains, the Committee, inasmuch as the resolution had been met by the resolution offered by the Commission, was discharged from further consideration of the matter.

On motion of the Bishop of Iowa, a further Memorial on the subject of the Racial Episcopate was referred to the Joint Commission on Negro work.

On motion of the Bishop of Eastern Oregon the House changed the Order of the Day previously adopted and made the
election of Missionary Bishops and of the Presiding Bishop the Order of the Day for Saturday after a Celebration of the Holy Communion at 9 o'clock in the Chapel of Christ Church.

The Bishop of Virginia presented the following report of the Committee on Foreign Missions on the matter of the request of the Bishop of Brazil which was adopted:

The Committee on Foreign Missions having had referred to it the request of the Bishop of Brazil for an interpretation of the relationship between the Brazilian Episcopal Church and the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States begs to make the following report:

1. The Brazilian Episcopal Church is canonically a Foreign Missionary District of The Episcopal Church in the United States so that legally the relationship is determined by the Canons which have to do with such districts.

The House of Bishops rejoices in the desire of the Churches in the Foreign Fields for an increasing share in the responsibilities of maintaining and directing their own work, and are ready to cooperate with them in attaining those ends within the canonical limits imposed upon all of us, Dioceses and Missionary Districts alike. As a step in this direction in the event of an election of a Suffragan Bishop for Brazil, the House of Bishops for Brazil, the House of Bishops will be pleased to take under consideration at some future meeting names presented by the Brazilian Church through its Bishop. We rejoice also to hear that the Brazilian Church contemplates assuming the support of such a National Suffragan Bishop.

On motion of the Bishop of the Philippine Islands, certain correspondence relative to the Group Movement was referred back to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

On motion of the Bishop of Kansas, the nomination of a Suffragan Bishop for the Philippine Islands was made the Order of the Day for Friday morning directly after the reading of the Minutes.

On motion of the Bishop of Washington, the Report of the Committee on National and International Problems was made the Order of the Day for Friday morning after nominations.

The Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia presented by title a Report of the activities of the Laymen's League.

The House extended congratulations to the Bishop of Massachusetts on this the seventh anniversary of his consecration; and to the Bishop of Newark on the fifth anniversary of his consecration and to the Bishop of Delaware on the seventeenth anniversary of his consecration.
The Bishop of Nevada presented to the House a description of the new Mission Service Book.

On motion the House adjourned.

NINTH DAY
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1937.

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

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

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

The Chair referred the nomination made for Suffragan Bishop of the Philippine Islands to the Committee on Nomination of Bishops.

The Bishop of Washington presented the Report of the Committee on National and International Problems.

On motion of the Bishop of Washington the Committee, after giving careful consideration to a resolution on a National Referendum before declaration of war, was discharged from further consideration of the matter.

On motion of the Bishop of Alabama a resolution relative to the teaching of Temperance in the Church was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

The Bishop of Arizona reporting for the Committee on Religious Education presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Department of Religious Education of the National Council be instructed to study this problem and make a report with recommendations to the next General Convention.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago the foregoing resolution was referred to the Committee on Pastoral Letter.

A Memorial containing Preambles and a resolution from the Woman's Auxiliary on the subject of peace agencies was referred to the Committee on National and International Problems.

The House took a recess at 1 o'clock.

The House reassembled at 3 o'clock.
On motion of the Bishop of Puerto Rico the House resolved to go into Executive Session this afternoon at 3:30 to receive the Report of the Committee on Nominations of Missionary Bishops and the Report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

The House went into Executive Session.

The House rose from Executive Session.

The Order of the Day being called for the House proceeded to the nomination of a Suffragan Bishop of the Philippine Islands. The Roll of the House was called, and certain nominations were made.

The House stood adjourned.

TENTH DAY

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1937.

Pursuant to the Order of the Day, there was a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Chapel of Christ Church at 9 A. M., the Presiding Bishop being the Celebrant, the Bishop of Delaware reading the Epistle and the Bishop of Indianapolis reading the Gospel. They were assisted by the Bishop of Southern Ohio.

The House assembled in Executive Session in the Chapel of Christ Church, the Bishop of Liberia reading a Lesson from Holy Scripture.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Veni Creator Spiritus was said.

Silence was observed for a space, and the service to be used before balloting was concluded.

The Chair announced that elections were in order for the Bishop of Shanghai, the Bishop of Hankow, the Suffragan Bishop of the Philippine Islands, and the Presiding Bishop.

On motion of the Bishop of Puerto Rico the House proceeded to the election of the Presiding Bishop.

On motion of the Bishop of East Carolina the House proceeded without spoken nomination, each Bishop having the privilege of voting for any Bishop of the House.

The Chair appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Kansas and the Bishop of North Dakota as tellers.
The Roll was called, the Bishops deposited their ballots and the Bishop of Virginia was found on the second ballot to have received a Constitutional majority of the votes and was thereupon declared by the Chair to have been chosen the Presiding Bishop.

On motion of the Bishop of Rhode Island the election was made unanimous.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 101.]

The House proceeded to the election of the Bishop of Shanghai.

The Chair appointed the Bishop of Western Massachusetts and the Bishop of Wyoming as tellers.

The Roll was called, the Bishops deposited their ballots and the Rev. William Payne Roberts, a Presbyter of the Missionary District of Shanghai was found on the first ballot to have received a majority of the votes and was thereupon declared by the Chair to have been chosen as Bishop of the Missionary District of Shanghai.

The Chair announced the completion of the election of Rev. William Payne Roberts subject to the action of the House of Deputies and appointed the Bishop of Indianapolis and the Bishop of Massachusetts as Committee to notify the Bishop-Elect.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 115.]

The House proceeded to the election of the Bishop of Hankow.

The Roll was called, the Bishops deposited their ballots and the Right Rev. Alfred Alonzo Gilman, S.T.D., Suffragan Bishop of Hankow was found on the first ballot to have received a majority of the votes and was thereupon declared by the Chair to have been chosen Bishop of the Missionary District of Hankow.

The Presiding Bishop announced the completion of the election of the Rt. Rev. Alfred Alonzo Gilman, D.D. as Bishop of Hankow, subject to confirmation of the House of Deputies and appointed the Bishop of Anking and the Bishop of Rhode Island as a Committee to notify the Bishop-Elect.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 114.]

The House proceeded to the election of a Suffragan Bishop for the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands.
The Chair appointed the Bishop Coadjutor of Western Michigan and the Bishop of Kentucky as tellers.

The Roll was called, the Bishops deposited their ballots and the Rev. Robert Franklin Wilner, a Presbyter of the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands, was found on the second ballot to have received a majority of the votes and was thereupon declared by the Chair to have been chosen as Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands.

The House stood for Noon-day Prayers.

The House adjourned to the Masonic Temple to sit in open session.

The Vice Chairman took the Chair.

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

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

Resolved, That this House records its gratitude to God for the great and notable service rendered the Church by the retiring Presiding Bishop, The Rt. Rev. J. DeWolf Perry and offers to him its affectionate appreciation of his distinguished, wise and effective leadership during the past seven years.

On motion the House adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY
MONDAY, OCTOBER 18, 1937.

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

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

The Minutes of Saturday's Session were read and approved.

The Bishop of Massachusetts reporting for the Committee on Dispatch of Business proposed the Order of the Day which was adopted as follows:

Messages from the House of Deputies.
Report of the Committee on Canons.
Report of the Committee on Budget and Program.
The Pastoral Letter.

The Bishop of Alabama reporting for the Committee of Conference reported that the House of Deputies intended to concur with Messages No. 7 and No. 117 of this House.
On motion of the Bishop of Western New York, the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

**WHEREAS,** The Right Reverend James M. Maxon, Bishop of Tennessee, celebrates today the fifteenth anniversary of his Consecration to the Episcopate; and

**WHEREAS,** As Chairman of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, and as member of the Committee on the Forward Movement, as well as in his Episcopal office within his jurisdiction, he has rendered an invaluable service to the cause of Christ and His Church; now, therefore, be it

*Resolved*, That we, his associates in the House of Bishops, offer to the Bishop of Tennessee our congratulations, gratitude and affection upon this his anniversary, and assure him of our sincere wishes and prayers that he may have many happy returns of this day; and further,

*Resolved*, That this resolution be inscribed upon the Minutes of this House.

On motion of the Bishop of South Dakota the following resolution was adopted:

*Resolved*, That the House of Bishops expresses to the Bishop of Tennessee and the members of the Committee on Budget and Program, sincere thanks and appreciation of the splendid work done by that Committee.

The House stood for Noon-day Prayers.

The Bishop of Tennessee presented the Report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

The House took a recess at 1 o'clock.

The House went into Executive Session.

The Bishop of Los Angeles read the Report of the Committee on the Pastoral Letter.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the Pastoral Letter as presented by the Committee was adopted with appreciation as the Pastoral Letter of this House.

The Bishop of Arizona presented the following Preambles and Resolution:

**WHEREAS,** The following Preamble and Resolution was adopted by the General Convention which met at Denver:

**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 reports 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. P. 386, Message No. 163, Journal of 1937.

The House of Deputies concurred.

And, WHEREAS, this procedure was followed at the General Convention which met at Atlantic City, but in order to become the regular order, the Rules of Order must be amended accordingly.

Therefore Be it Resolved by the House of Bishops, that Standing Order III (page 8 of Rules of Order) be amended to read as follows:

"At the opening service of the General Convention, the Presiding Bishop shall be the preacher. If he should be physically unable to deliver the sermon but shall have it in writing, some other, selected by him, shall read the sermon. But if the sermon be not ready then the selection of the preacher shall be in charge of the Presiding Bishop, the Vice Chairman of the House of Bishops, and the Bishop of the Diocese wherein the Convention is to be held."

On motion of the Bishop of Newark, the following as a substitute motion was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the hope of the House of Bishops that at The General Convention of 1940 the Presiding Bishop will preach the Sermon at the opening service.

On nomination of the Bishop of Minnesota, the following were elected as a Committee on the Pastoral Letter of the next Convention:

The Bishop of Bethlehem,
The Bishop of Spokane,
The Bishop Coadjutor of Michigan

On motion the House adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1937.

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

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the following was adopted:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that when any question arises concerning the resignation of any Bishop, it is suggested that the
question be a matter of conference between the Presiding Bishop and the President of the Province in which the aforesaid Bishop has his jurisdiction and some other Bishop of that Province whom they may associate with themselves.

On motion of Bishop of Indianapolis seconded by the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, greetings and a message of sympathy were sent to Bishop Paddock.

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

Resolved, That the Committee on Pastoral Letter makes its provisional report on the third day of the next Convention.

The House stood for Noon-day Prayers.

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

Whereas, The Federal Government through the Works Progress Administration is endeavoring to compile a complete Church Records Inventory, which when completed will form a valuable historical record of the Church, and this without cost to the Church, be it

Resolved, That we commend to the Bishops and Clergy that they give cordial cooperation to the Works Progress Inventory, which is designed to preserve the historical records of the Church.

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

Whereas, the members of this House have heard with sympathetic interest of the illness of Dr. Lorkin W. Glazebrook of Washington, we desire to express to this faithful Lay Evangelist of the Church, our earnest appreciation of his work during the past years, and to extend to him our best wishes and the assurance of our prayers for his complete recovery to vigorous health and useful service for Christ and His Church.

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

Resolved, That the House of Bishops suggest to the Presiding Bishop the possibility of establishing through Conference with the Bishops of the Province the creation of Provincial Departments of Evangelists, the Chairman of which shall constitute a National Committee on Evangelism with the Presiding Bishop as Chairman of the same.

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

Resolved, That the House of Bishops desires to express to the Bishop of Southern Ohio and the Clergy Laymen and Laywomen assisting him our most grateful appreciation and hearty thanks for the gracious entertainment and efficient hospitality extended to us during this Convention.
The Minutes of the day were read and approved.

MESSAGE NO. 193

TWELFTH DAY OF SESSION,
OCTOBER 19TH, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has completed all the business on its Calendar and is ready to adjourn and requests the Bishops to advise us promptly if they have any further business to transmit for the consideration of the deputies.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House informed the House of Deputies that this House had completed its business and is ready to adjourn.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 198.]

The House stood and received the Benediction of the Presiding Bishop.

On motion the House adjourned sine die.
Dear Brethren of the Clergy and Laity:

"There shall be signs in the sun and in the moon and in the stars, and upon the earth distress of nations with perplexity, men's hearts failing them for fear and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth. When these things begin to come to pass, then look up and lift up your heads, for your redemption draweth nigh."

We have reason to thank God and to feel encouraged. There is evidence of new vitality in the Church. The call of our Forward Movement has been heard in its farthest outposts. Zeal has been quickened, hearts have been touched and minds have been enriched by printed and spoken words of Christian truth presented in new and compelling forms. We give thanks for this manifestation of new power and rejoice that the work of the Forward Movement will continue. Already it has borne fruit in a fresh allegiance to the Church's program. Dioceses and missionary districts are declaring their desire to assume a larger responsibility for the cause of Missions. Individuals are offering themselves and their substance with rekindled devotion.

It is our prayer that this may be a prophecy of greater loyalty throughout the Church and aforesight of a more general acceptance of the claims of Christ upon the world.

Wars and rumors of wars, hunger, discouragement, unhappiness and bewilderment seem to be accepted by many as the inevitable lot of man. Disillusionment is giving rise to cynicism which, in turn, is creating selfishness. So widespread is the crisis that there is no possibility of recovery except by a return to the elemental facts of life and religion. At the center of our difficulties is indifference towards the things which we, as Christians, believe to be fundamental. Thoughtful leaders are beginning to feel that something is needed to persuade men to believe that this is God's world and that He is in it. His purpose for man's good is at the heart of it. His will summons us to enlist all that we are and all that we have in His service.

The task of the next generation of Christians, therefore, may be not only to settle differences of opinion on doctrine and administration but also to stand together for an interpretation of the universe in terms of belief in God and the truth that He is in Christ reconciling the world to Himself.

Christian morality and social security depend on belief in the Fatherhood of God and on a consciousness of the unity of mankind, realized in terms of actual brotherhood. Justice, fair play, the square deal and other standards of the moralist have vitality only as they are set against a background of religion. God is the bond of unity among men. Common religion, rightly understood and loyally followed, creates common purposes and ideals. Whenever nations of the same faith go to war, they have forgotten the very tie that ensures peace. The Christian conception of God's purpose is man's hope of understanding among nations and races.

War is hateful not only because of its terrible waste of human life and wealth but also because it is the denial of every principle of Christianity. Modern warfare is no longer limited to the activities of armed forces but, as we well know today, it is the bombing of defenseless cities and the
deliberate slaughter of men, women and children. Exploitation is un-Christian not merely because it is unfair to groups or individuals but chiefly because it is a denial of the Fatherhood of God. The deepest and most enduring motive for betterment is the belief that all men, regardless of race, nationality, and class are brothers and the children of one common Father. No member or groups of members of God's family may be sacrificed deliberately for the well-being of a more powerful man or nation. We are members one of another, so that if one member suffers all the members suffer with him. Our present moral and economic difficulties can be traced to the exploitation of the weak and helpless by the strong, and the way out will be found when every man learns to think in terms of other people's rights and to regard the needs of his remotest fellow man as his own or as those of his blood brother.

The Church must not sit quietly by when the world faces acute social and economic problems. It is intensely concerned with those crises that bring misery and need to God's children. Hunger, persecution, exploitation and injustice, all the ills that beset man and hinder the development of free personality, are its responsibility. Our hearts must be stirred in such a way that it will be our desire and passion to find jobs for the jobless, to carry hope to the hopeless, to assure relief to the oppressed, and, in the words of the Oxford Conference on Life and Work, "to secure the best possible social and economic structure in so far as such structures and institutions are determined by human decisions."

Because we believe in God we must protest against the view that national necessity justifies conquest and exploitation. It is highly important that nations renounce war, but first there must be the abandonment of that group selfishness which is satisfied at the expense of the weak and ignorant. The Christian Gospel is shot through with the concepts of love, peace and brotherhood, and we bow our heads in shame that as individuals, groups and nations we have as openly ignored these virtues and have allowed what we call economic necessity to make us forget moral law.

Relationship to God is an end in itself. It is no mere by-product of the moral life. "This is life eternal that they might know Thee, the only God and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent." Belief in God's existence and love is our source of power for social and moral improvement.

That the mission of the Church is directed toward the meeting of our present crises may not be obvious to the world. The Church's program, interpreted in terms of budgets and needs, seems remote from the suffering of hungry men and from the fears of war-obsessed nations. The apparent remoteness, however, is not real. In our three-fold program of missions, social service and religious education we aim to bring to the world that which is essential to its welfare, a desire to bear the burdens of others. We seek to teach social morality and to raise it to new levels of God-consciousness and Christ-likeness.

To do this requires a constant emphasis upon education. We need and we ask for the co-operation of all agencies that are entrusted with the responsibility of teaching. Universities, colleges and schools can be of help to the Church in emphasizing basic Christian principles. We do not believe that there is any complete separateness between religious and secular education, and we urge a study by clergy, educators and parents of ways and means by which the two may be co-ordinated and their common purposes be defined and encouraged.
Church, university and school are all concerned with the development of character. Their tasks cannot be separated. Sharing their responsibility is the Christian home. If one of these agencies is weakened, all lose power. The home and the family should stand at the center of our Christian society. To strengthen them and to stress the sanctity of marriage must be a constant part of our educational plan.

Rather than this Christian attitude towards education and the Church's program being something apart from the current of human life, it is vitally necessary to it. Economic and social disorder make it more and not less important. Christianity has been called a smothered religion—smothered by all kinds of forces, within and without. We must not allow fear or selfishness to smother this program which, we repeat, is the concrete expression of our Christian faith.

Jesus Christ based His life on the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man. Our hope of extending and strengthening man's belief in God and in the value of human personality will be found in what we do more than in what we say. The world's need deepens our obligation to propagate the Christian Gospel. As we contemplate man's helplessness and necessity, the cause of Missions becomes more and more compelling and the Forward Movement an inevitable response to the hunger of human hearts.

The mission of the Church of Christ cannot be fulfilled until the scattered parts of Christ's flock are brought together to accomplish the common task with united mind and heart. A world united in Christ is an ideal born not of economic necessity or of the pressure of pagan society but of the very nature of the religion of Jesus Christ. We rejoice that the conferences at Oxford and Edinburgh have brought this truth home to the world with new vision and power. We thank God that already there are outstanding examples of unification among Christian bodies. The establishment of intercommunion between the Anglican and the Old Catholic Churches, the amalgamation of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational Churches of Canada into a United Church, the proposed merger of the great Methodist groups in the United States all point the way to a growing unity in Christ. We are convinced, however, that the ideal of unity need not prevent co-operation among groups of widely differing traditions. There are those who feel that such co-operation may delay Christian union by obscuring its necessity. Experience teaches us, however, that such co-operation may be a valuable and important preparation for the united Church that is to come.

In affirming our conviction of the need of a Christian interpretation of life we also affirm our belief in the imperative need of a unified Christendom and of a Church which in its oneness shall proclaim the love of God as revealed in Jesus Christ and our responsibilities as citizens of His Kingdom.

It is in our awakened passion for justice, in our deepened sense of Christian responsibility and in our recognition of the need of unity that our hope for the future lies. Here we rest our assurance of a happier future and our conviction that the tabernacle of God is with men and that He maketh all things new.

"Now the God of Hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that ye may abound in hope through the power of the Holy Ghost."
SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
HOUSE OF BISHOPS

PALMER MEMORIAL PARISH HOUSE, HOUSTON, TEXAS,
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1935.

This being the day and place appointed for the Annual Meeting of the House of Bishops, the Bishops assembled in Christ Church at four o'clock. The Right Reverend the Bishop of Southern Ohio conducted the devotions and the meditations which were followed by Evening Prayer at five-thirty o'clock.

The House assembled for organization at eight o'clock in the Palmer Memorial Parish House.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair and called the House to order, bidding the Bishops to prayer.

The Call for the Meeting as sent out by the Presiding Bishop was read by the Secretary as follows:

August 2, 1936.

In pursuance of the provision of General Rule XXVIII, the House of Bishops is called to convene in Houston, Texas, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, November 5th, 6th and 7th, 1935.

Quiet hours will be conducted, with meditations, at three o'clock, closing with Evening Prayer at five o'clock. The opening session of the House for organization will be called to order at a place designated by the Bishop of Texas on Tuesday evening at eight o'clock.

There will be a celebration of Holy Communion on Wednesday morning, the 6th, at eight o'clock, followed, after breakfast, by the first session of the House. Among the matters of business for consideration and action by the House are the following:

1. Action upon the resignation of the Bishop of Newark.
2. Action upon the resignation of the Bishop of North Tokyo.
3. Action upon the vacancy in the Missionary Bishopric of Idaho.
5. Reports of other special committees.
6. The transaction of any other business that may be lawfully presented at such session.

The Bishop of Texas, before October 1st, will send to each of the Bishops information concerning headquarters, services and meetings, hotel accommodations, hours of trains, etc.

Attention is called to General Rule XXX providing that "When any vacancy in the missionary episcopate is to be considered or filled at any
special meeting of the House, notice to this effect shall be given in the call of such meeting, together with an invitation to the Bishops to send to the Secretary of the House any names 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 . . ."

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

The Roll of the House, certified by the Secretary, was presented showing sixty-three to be a Constitutional Majority and forty-nine a Quorum of the House.

The Roll being called it was found that sixty-five members of the House, being more than a quorum, were present, the following being a complete list of the Bishops in attendance, in all 79:

The Bishop of Indianapolis.
The Bishop of Los Angeles.
The Bishop of West Virginia.
The Bishop of Delaware.
The Bishop of Mississippi.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado.
The Bishop of Hankow.
The Bishop of Erie.
The Bishop of Southern Virginia.
The Bishop of Tennessee.
The Bishop of West Virginia.
The Bishop of Montana.
The Bishop of Albany.
The Bishop of Hawaii.
The Bishop of Maine.
The Bishop of South Dakota.
The Bishop of Virginia.
The Bishop of Washington.
The Bishop of West Virginia.
The Bishop of Idaho.
The Bishop of Pittsburgh.
The Bishop of Minnesota.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado.
The Bishop of Western Nebraska.
The Bishop of Albany.
The Bishop of South Dakota.
The Bishop of Rhode Island.
The Bishop of Haiti.
The Bishop of San Joaquin.
The Bishop of Pittsburg.
The Bishop of Virginia.
The Bishop of Washington.
The Bishop of Wyoming.
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The Bishop of Minnesota.
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The Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia.
The Bishop of West Missouri.
Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.
Bishop of Connecticut.
The Bishop of North Dakota.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Newark.
The Bishop of Sacramento.
The Bishop of Western North Carolina.

The Presiding Bishop announced the death since the last meeting of the House, of the following named Bishops, using the Prayers as called for under Rule IV of the Rules of Order:

The Right Reverend Edward Fawcett, D.D., Ph.D., Bishop of Quincy, deceased September 18, 1935.

The Presiding Bishop announced the receipt from several Bishops of messages regretting their necessary absence from this meeting of the House.

The Presiding Bishop announced the resignation of six Bishops of the Church, to-wit:

The Bishop of Newark.
Bishop of North Tokyo.
Bishop of Kentucky.
Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey.
Bishop of Liberia.
Bishop of Central New York.

These resignations were referred to the Committee on Resignation of Bishops.

The Presiding Bishop announced the receipt from the Province of the Pacific of a Memorial in the matter of filling the vacancy in the Bishopric of Idaho created by the translation of the former Bishop of Idaho, Bishop, Barnwell, to the Coadjutorship of the Diocese of Georgia.

Two resolutions from the National Council were also presented to be considered after the Agenda had been adopted. The invitations for the 1936 Meeting of the House as received from the
Dioceses of North Carolina, Indianapolis and Chicago were presented for later consideration.

The Bishop of Massachusetts, for the Committee on Despatch of Business, presented the following Agenda:

Reference of Resignation of Bishops to Appropriate Committees.
Report of the Special Committee on Missionary Progress.
Report by President of the National Council.
Report of the Committee on Resignations.
Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions.
Report of the Committee on Domestic Missions.
Nominations for vacancies in Missionary Districts.
Report of Special Committees:
2. Committee on Administration of Holy Communion.
3. Licensing of Laymen to administer the Chalice.
Chairman of the Commission on the Forward Movement.
Meeting of the Bishops in Council—Wednesday at 4 P.M.
Celebration of the Holy Communion on Thursday at 8 A.M.
Election of Missionary Bishops on Thursday at 9 A.M.
Place of Meeting of the House in 1936.

On motion of the same Bishop the House limited speeches to five minutes during the sessions of the House.

On motion of the same Bishop the House moved to convene at 9 A.M. on Wednesday.

The Bishop of Washington presented a resolution relating to Peace and War, which was, on motion, referred to a special committee appointed by the Chair, to-wit:

The Bishop of Washington.
Bishop of Maine.
Bishop of Missouri.
Bishop of Dallas.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Connecticut to fill a vacancy on and to serve with the Committee on the Resignation of Bishops.

The Bishop of Delaware presented the following resolution, and asked for a discussion of the subject:

Resolved, That the President of the National Council be asked to confer with the House of Bishops as to the desirability of making a special appeal to individuals to make up any deficit which may occur as between the expectancies and the budget for 1936.

The Bishop of West Texas offered the following resolution on this subject, which, on motion, was adopted:
Resolved, That this House heartily endorses the action of the National Council taken to meet the emergency arising in 1935 from the failure of the expectancies to meet the budget; and advises the National Council that as a continuing policy it endorses similar action, if a similar situation occurs in 1936 or thereafter, with the consent and co-operation of the Bishops of the Dioceses.

The Bishop of Delaware presented the following resolution, discussion of which was, on motion, delayed until after the report of the Committee of Five Wednesday morning:

Resolved, That looking toward such a report the National Council asks the House of Bishops at its meeting in November to give its judgment and advice as to what it deems desirable and necessary in the way of promotion by the Field Department of the National Council.

The Bishop of Michigan reported progress for the Committee on consideration of Lay Administration of the Chalice.

The Bishop of Western Nebraska, Chairman of the Committee on Resignation of Bishops, reported as follows, through the Bishop of Olympia as Secretary of the Committee, the House having, on motion of the Bishop of Cuba, resolved to go into Executive Session:

Your Committee recommends the acceptance of the resignation of the Bishop of Liberia to take effect on January 1, 1936, on the ground of ill health.

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado the resignation was accepted for the cause indicated by a unanimous vote of the House.

On motion the Secretary was instructed to change his status as of January 1, 1936.

Your Committee recommends the acceptance of the resignation of the Bishop of North Tokyo on the ground of age.

On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis the motion was unanimously adopted.

The Presiding Bishop declared the completion of the resignation, and directed the Secretary to change his status on the Roll of the House.

Your Committee recommends the acceptance of the resignation of the Bishop of Newark on the ground of ill health.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the resignation was accepted for the cause indicated, and by the unanimous consent of the House.

The Presiding Bishop declared the completion of the resignation, and directed the Secretary to change his status on the Roll of the House.
Your Committee recommends the acceptance of the resignation of the Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey on the ground of age.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the resignation was unanimously accepted on the ground specified.

The Presiding Bishop declared the completion of the resignation, and directed the Secretary to change his status on the Roll of the House.

Your Committee recommends the acceptance of the resignation of the Bishop of Kentucky on the ground of age and ill health.

On motion of the Bishop of West Texas the resignation, by reason of age and ill health, was unanimously accepted.

The Presiding Bishop declared the resignation complete, and directed the Secretary to change his status on the Roll of the House.

Your Committee recommends the acceptance of the resignation of the Bishop of Central New York on the ground of age.

The Bishop of Delaware moved the acceptance of the resignation on the ground of age, and the motion was unanimously carried. The Bishop of Indianapolis moved that the record of the resignation be entered as of March 31, 1936, which was adopted.

The Presiding Bishop declared the completion of the resignation, and directed the Secretary to change his status as of the date indicated.

The Committee presented the following resignation, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Chairman of this House appoint a special committee to prepare and present suitable resolutions to the Bishops whose resignations have now been accepted by this House.

The chairman appointed to such committee the Bishop of Indianapolis, the Bishop of Virginia and the Bishop of Michigan, and on motion of the Bishop of Olympia the report of the committee was adopted as a whole.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado the congratulations of the House were extended to the Bishop of Colorado on his birth anniversary as of this date, in the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops felicitates the Bishop of Colorado on this his birthday (November 5) and expresses the hope that he may enjoy many years of continued health and usefulness.
On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the House adjourned at 11 P.M. until 9 A.M. Wednesday morning.

SECOND DAY

PALMER MEMORIAL PARISH HOUSE, HOUSTON, TEXAS,
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 1935.

The Bishops assembled for business session at 9 A.M. in the Parish House of Palmer Memorial Church.

The Presiding Bishop took the Chair and called the House to order. The Presiding Bishop conducted the Devotions of the House, the Bishop of Newark reading the Lesson from Holy Scripture.

The Bishop of Utah, the Bishop of Haiti, the Bishop of South Dakota, the Bishop of New Jersey and the Bishop of Mississippi appeared and took their seats.

The minutes of the session of Tuesday evening were read, and after correction, were approved.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Connecticut a permanent member of the Committee on Resignation of Bishops.

Announcement was made of the presence in the Parish House of representatives of the Railroads who were ready to aid the Bishops in the matter of transportation.

The Bishop of Virginia, for the Committee on Foreign Missions, presented the following report:

The Committee on Foreign Missions, to which was referred the subject of filling the vacancies in North Tokyo and Liberia, beg to submit the following report:

1. Resolved, That the Committee on Foreign Missions recommend that the House of Bishops proceed to fill the vacancy in the Missionary District of North Tokyo by the election of a Missionary Bishop.

2. The Committee is equally divided on the question as to whether the House of Bishops should proceed at this Meeting to fill the vacancy in Liberia, or to respectfully request the Presiding Bishop to designate a Bishop to administer and supervise the District under his direction, and submit a report at the next Meeting of the House of Bishops.

On motion the report of the Committee on the first of its two sections was adopted.
On motion of the Bishop of Western Nebraska the House went into Executive Session.

The Bishop of Indianapolis moved that the House proceed to the nomination and election of a Bishop of Liberia.

After discussion the motion was carried by a vote of 50 "Aye" and 14 "No".

The Bishop of California, for the Committee appointed to consider matters relating to the Administration of the Holy Communion, presented the following report:

The Committee considered first the matter of Communion in one kind. It believes that consideration of this matter is inexpedient at this time and so advises the House. It further considered the various questions connected with administration by intinction. It believes that if any authoritative pronouncement is to be made by this House as to the desirability or the method of intinction, it should be postponed until after the Meeting of the next Lambeth Conference, at which the questions involved are to be considered. In the meanwhile, those questions must be left to the decision of the several Dioceses. The Committee recommends, therefore, that no action be taken at this time and asks to be discharged. The report is signed by all the members of the Committee, save the Bishop of New York, who was not present at the meeting.

Signed: J. DeWolfe Perry,
H. St. George Tucker,
E. L. Parsons.

On motion the recommendation of the Committee was adopted and the Committee was discharged.

The Bishop of Massachusetts, for the Committee on Despatch of Business, moved that the order of the day at 12:30 o'clock be the nomination of Bishops, which motion was carried.

The Bishop of Iowa, for the Committee on Domestic Missions presented the following report:

Your Committee, to whom was referred the resolutions of the Province of the Pacific and the resolution of the National Council regarding the election of a Bishop of Idaho, respectfully reports that it has carefully considered the matter, has conferred with the former Bishop of Idaho, the General Secretary of the Department of Domestic Missions, the Bishop of Montana, sometime in charge of Idaho, and with the Bishop of Eastern Oregon, and recommends:

1. That there be no election of a Bishop of Idaho at this time.
2. Further, it recommends that the Bishop of Spokane supervise that portion of the District of Idaho known as the Panhandle.
3. From information furnished, your Committee recommends that temporarily the Southeastern part of the District of Idaho be placed under the supervision of the Bishop of Utah, and the rest of the District be placed under the supervision of the Bishop of Eastern Oregon.
The question being on Item 1 of the report of the Committee, the Bishop Coadjutor of Georgia moved as a substitute action upon a positive, rather than a negative form of the resolution, and that the House proceed to an election of a Bishop of Idaho. The motion was carried.

On motion of the Bishop of Milwaukee action on the above question was postponed until after action on the other two parts of the report of the Committee.

At noon the Presiding Bishop bade the House to prayer for Missions.

The question being on the second Item of the report of the Committee, the Bishop Coadjutor of Georgia offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That that part of the Missionary District of Idaho lying North of the Salmon River be incorporated in the Missionary District of Spokane.

The question being on the third Item of the report of the Committee, its recommendation for a disposition of the remainder of the Missionary District of Idaho was on motion lost.

On returning to Item 1 of the report of the Committee, a motion to proceed to an election of a Bishop of Idaho previously offered as a substitute, was adopted by a vote of 43 to 29.

On motion of the Bishop of Fond du Lac the Presiding Bishop by a unanimous vote was respectfully requested to send a message of sympathy to Bishop Weller.

On motion of the Bishop of Lexington the Presiding Bishop by a unanimous vote was respectfully requested to send a message of sympathy to Bishop Burton.

The Bishop of Indianapolis, for the special committee appointed, presented the following message of the House to the Bishops whose resignations had just been accepted:

"Dear Bishop:

The House of Bishops, meeting in Houston, has acted on your proposed resignation in accordance with your expressed wishes. In taking this action, your Brethren by unanimous vote send you their affectionate greetings and the expression of their regret for the cause which has compelled you to resign your jurisdiction.

The close ties which bind us together in brotherly interest and personal regard cannot be severed by the relinquishment of your jurisdiction. They will still continue, and with this assurance, we send you our best wishes and our prayers for God's blessing in all the years to come,
coupled with the consciousness of the reward bestowed upon all who have served faithfully in upbuilding and extending the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Joseph M. Francis,
Herman Page,
H. St. George Tucker.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the House proceeded to nominate for a Bishop of North Tokyo.

On motion of the Bishop of Milwaukee the Rule of Order requiring the reading of the Roll in reverse order was suspended, in order that precedence might be given to the Bishop of Indianapolis.

The Bishop of Indianapolis presented in nomination the name of the Right Reverend Charles S. Reifsnider, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of North Tokyo.

The Roll being then called in accordance with the Rule of Order, many of the Bishops seconded the nomination by the Bishop of Indianapolis.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the House proceeded to nominate for a Bishop of Liberia.

The Roll being called in reverse order nominations were made for the office.

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved that when the House adjourned, it adjourn to 2:00 P.M. to continue the nominations in nominating for a Bishop of Idaho, which was adopted.

The Bishop of North Texas presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be and hereby is, requested to appoint a Committee to call upon the Right Reverend Henry D. Aves, D.D., sometime Missionary Bishop of Mexico, to convey the affectionate greetings of this House.

The Chairman appointed to such Committee the Bishop of North Texas, the Bishop of New Mexico and the Bishop of Louisiana.

On motion the House recessed to 2:00 P.M.

The House reassembled 2:00 P.M.

Nomination for the Bishopric of Idaho being called for, the Secretary directed by the Chairman announced the names received by him.
On motion of the Bishop of Chicago further nominations were postponed pending a resolution to be offered by the Bishop of Colorado.

The Bishop of Colorado moved that the Bishop of North Dakota be translated to the Missionary District of Idaho.

The motion was carried by a vote of 43 to 27.

The Bishop of Colorado presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Bishop of Eastern Oregon be translated to the Missionary District of North Dakota, subject to his acceptance of the translation.

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

Resolved, That no election to the Bishopric of North Dakota be made at this time.

On motion the House rose from Executive Session.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado, for the special Committee of Five, presented the following report with resolution, which on motion was adopted:

The Presiding Bishop has appointed a special Committee to consider and report on the Promotional Responsibility of the Bishops with respect to the Church's Missionary work.

The Committee reports as follows:

The 1934 General Convention abolished the mathematical quotas heretofore assigned the several Dioceses and Districts. But it approved a definite missionary budget; namely, $2,700,000.

Each Diocese and District under the leadership of its Bishop is already required to assume a definite responsibility for the Budget by Canon 60, which states in section VIII sub-section (iv): "Each Diocese and District and the parishes and missions thereof shall then take necessary steps to raise their respective quotas."

The last General Convention went further, however, and by specific resolution confirmed the Partnership Principle as the basis for dividing missionary funds between the Diocese and the National Council. The Resolution adopted by the General Convention is as follows:

Resolved, The House of concurring, first that it is the sense of the Convention that money contributed for the missionary work of a Diocese and of the Church at large constitutes a trust fund which should under no circumstances be used for parochial purposes, and that this trust fund, when received by a Diocesan Treasurer, should be divided in strict accordance with the Partnership Principle between the treasury of the Diocese, and the treasury of the National Council, as decided before the Canvass.
As explained in the report of the Committee on Budget and Program, the Partnership Principle implies that money received by a Diocese or District for the Church's Program shall be divided between the Diocese or District and the National Council according to the percentage ratio which the General Church Objective assumed by the Diocese or District bears to the sum of the combined objectives of the Diocese or District and National Council. This percentage is therefore created BEFORE, and not AFTER, the Every Member Canvass.

While the General Convention by Canon had placed the responsibility of carrying out an effective Every Member Canvass squarely upon the Dioceses and Districts themselves, it is evident that in the past some if not most of the work has been done by the aid of the Field Department of the National Council. Today the serious curtailment of the appropriation for field work makes it necessary for the Dioceses and Districts to realize their responsibility afresh, to do their part of the work themselves, and to understand thoroughly the action of the last General Convention and their duty resulting therefrom. Each unit, parish, Diocese, and National Council has its part to play in the field work of the Church, and to the limit of its ability in such work. But of the three, the Diocese is the pivotal unit.

This Committee therefore, respectfully offers the following suggestions for the consideration of the Bishops as we face again our promotional responsibility with respect to the Church's Missionary work:

1. Build up the 1936 Program of Diocese or District and National Council as a united project, the results of which will be divided on the Partnership and Percentage basis, stated above.

There seems to be confusion in the minds of some of the brethren as to the difference between OBJECTIVE and EXPECTANCY. If we are to make an advance in 1936 in missionary giving, it is self-evident that the OBJECTIVE for 1936 must exceed our EXPECTANCY for 1935, since what the Diocese or District receives is almost sure to be less than what the Diocese or District asks of the congregations. We advise also that the OBJECTIVE for 1936 be greater than the OBJECTIVE for 1935 and be determined according to the action of General Convention by agreement between the National Council and the Diocese or District, and that in each succeeding year the OBJECTIVE be increased until the Diocesan share of the Program authorized by the General Convention be realized. We are mindful of the fact that parishes, Dioceses and Districts must have a care to strengthen themselves as well as strengthen the general work. We believe, however, that this purpose can best be served by the realization of our oneness, and by leading our people to face all three objectives together. Parochialism and Diocesanism can never eventuate in spiritual and financial strength, and if we seek to put our parishes, Dioceses or Districts upon a firm basis BEFORE we put the General work upon a sound basis, we shall not succeed in either purpose. They must be done together.

2. We suggest that each Bishop, with such help as he may be able to summon, confer from time to time with the several vestries of his jurisdiction, urging upon them their duty and responsibility for supporting the missionary work of the Church. Who but the Bishop, or his authorized representative, in personal conference with the vestries, can impart something of the faith, knowledge and conviction with which the laity must be inspired if the Every Member Canvass is to produce the best results? In that way we shall be able to reinforce with Episcopal
initiative and sanction the appeal our clergy are constantly making in behalf of the Church's Mission.

3. We believe that the Provincial organization and Synods can be used advantageously for the promotion of the Church's Program and the realization of the oneness of the Church's work. We, therefore, advise that every Synod be constituted as an institute in the united Program as follows:

(a) Let some of the Deputies be chosen from among the members of Diocesan Departments of Education, Missions, Social Service, and Field Work, and from those who may well be leaders in one or another of these fields.

(b) Let the Synod divide itself into corresponding sections and each section be led by a representative of the corresponding National Department as to the Program of that department.

We know that the whole Budget of $2,700,000 is desperately needed for the maintenance of the Missionary Program. We also know full well that the needs of our own Diocesan missionary projects are equally urgent and insistent. It is imperative, therefore, that special effort be put forth at this time or the year 1936 will show such a slump that further serious curtailment of the Mission of the Church in all its fields will be inevitable.

4. Call for the greatest possible cooperation of both clergy and laity with the plans of the Forward Movement Commission. The latter is devising ways and means to arouse our laity to their missionary duty and responsibility. The Forward Movement Commission will bring devotionally to the attention of our people the constraining power of the Gospel to propagate itself, and should help mightily in spiritual preparation. If the parochial clergy are aroused to the importance of the matter and will see to it that the Commission's plans are given the right of way and the widest possible support, then the hearts and minds of our people will have been prepared for effective Every Member Canvasses.

We recommended to the Forward Movement Commission that it sponsor a united effort to turn the hearts of all our people towards the duty and privilege of daily intercession for the Church's Mission. Noonday prayers for Missions are customary at our Church meetings and conferences. May we now go further and inaugurate a world-wide practice by summoning all the faithful, wherever they may be—children and adults alike—to pause each day at the hour of noon for a moment of conscious recollection of the Divine Presence, followed by the offering of the great missionary petition, "Thy Kingdom Come." Let us begin with the Church School and continue throughout our entire constituency until from the lips of countless thousands each noon hour we lift up our hearts day by day to the Heavenly Father in behalf of the extension of the Kingdom in the Name of Him Who has given us the Divine assurance, "Whatsoever ye shall ask the Father in my name, He will give it you. Ask and ye shall receive that your joy may be full."

Fred Ingle, Chairman,
Cameron J. Davis,
James M. Maxon,
Walter Mitchell,
J. S. Blair Larned.
Resolved, That the report of this special Committee appointed by the Presiding Bishop be received and adopted and that the recommendations contained therein be severally approved.

On motion the House went into Executive Session.

The Chairman called the attention of the House to the absolute necessity of silence on the whole subject of action in the matter of the vacancy in the Bishopric of the Missionary District of Idaho.

The Committee of Five, through its Chairman, the Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado, presented a Supplementary Report as follows:

The purpose of this Supplementary Report is to call sharply to the attention of our House the relation of the present Objectives for 1936 of the several Dioceses to the Emergency Schedule of 1936. Evidently some of the Bishops and Diocesan authorities did not understand the dire implications of making their 1936 Objectives practically the same as their 1935 Expectations, and the inevitable result will be that the 1936 Expectations will be less than the 1935 Expectations. On the basis of the present Objectives reported, we will certainly be nearly $200,000 short of the Emergency Schedule.

The National Council, under Resolution adopted by General Convention, will then be obliged to cut the missionary appropriations still further than those provided in the mere skeleton of the Emergency Schedule.

Brethren, this will be nothing short of a debacle, and that in the face of improvements in the financial condition of our people generally. The effect will be demoralizing to our people and disastrous to the work. Therefore, Be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this House that every Bishop be requested to send to each of his clergy a Pastoral Letter, to be read to his congregations, setting forth these facts and calling upon them, with all the emphasis possible, to increase their pledges before January 1, in order that at least the Emergency Schedule may be maintained and the influence of the Church preserved in this present civilization.

Fred Ingle, Chairman,
Cameron J. Davis,
James M. Maxon,
Walter Mitchell,
J. S. Blair Larned.

On motion of the Bishop of West Texas the Supplementary Report was adopted by a rising vote which was unanimous.

The Bishop of Western New York moved that the report of the Committee of Five be printed and distributed to the Bishops, which motion was carried.

At 4:00 o’clock the Bishops went into Council.
The Bishops continued in Council.

At 8:50 p. m. the Bishops rose from Council.

The Bishop of Washington, for the special Committee on Peace and War, presented the following report, the resolution of which was accepted:

The House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in annual session, expresses its sense of profound shock and sorrow that once again the solemn pledge of Nations not to resort to war as an instrument of national policy or a means of settling disputes which may arise between them, has been violated, a helpless nation attacked and the general peace of the world jeopardized in a day when peace has become a necessity. As long as such anarchy continues the future outlook is forbidding in extreme.

Acknowledging with gratitude the favored position of our own country, we do not attempt to bring an indictment against a whole nation. We recognize the economic insecurity which, particularly in these days, is a root from which wars spring. We believe that to this problem the nations of the earth, as members of the World Community, must address themselves sincerely if even more disastrous crises are to be avoided in the future. We regard with great hope the statement of the British Foreign Secretary at Geneva that his Government views the problem as economic rather than political or territorial, and is willing to share in an endeavor to find ways of guaranteeing that the distribution of raw materials will not be unfairly impeded. We earnestly urge our Government to respond to this suggestion and to co-operate fully in this undertaking.

And we would remind our people that the price of Peace is Justice. And Justice cannot be had without sacrifice. "The earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof," and peace on earth will come only to men of good will.

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved that the privilege of the floor be given to the Bishop of Connecticut for ten minutes, after which the House should consider for thirty minutes the report of the Committee on the Forward Movement.

The Bishop of Connecticut addressed the House.

The House rose from Executive Session.

The Bishop of Southern Ohio spoke upon the subject of the Forward Movement.

The Bishop of Washington presented the following resolution on this subject, which, with an amendment accepted by him, was adopted as follows:
Resolved, That we recognize with renewed confidence the Forward Movement. We acknowledge with gratitude the work of the Commission. With rare judgment and wisdom the Commission has undertaken its task, and its planning has recommended the Movement to the whole Church. No undertaking in which the Church has engaged has been received with such general approbation. The purpose of the Movement, to reinvigorate the Spiritual life of the Church, is one that must challenge the whole Church. The very criticalness of the present situation lays upon every Bishop, Priest and Layman of the Church a grave responsibility. Nothing transcends it. Rehabilitation means the restoration of the whole Church. Diocese, Parish and Mission Field. It means placing a fresh emphasis upon those Eternal values that have to do with the spread of Christ’s Kingdom. It means the utter reconsecration of the whole Church to those primary concerns committed to it by its Divine Head. It means stabilizing the Church’s Missionary work at home and abroad. For these reasons, the Bishops of the Church urge the recognition and hearty cooperation of the whole Church in a loyal following of the Commission to whose hands this great task has been committed. Further be it

Resolved, That we, the Bishops of the Church, recognize our solemn responsibility as leaders of the Forward Movement.

The Presiding Bishop presented the question of the place of the next Meeting of the House, specifying the three invitations received as from the Diocese of Chicago, the Diocese of North Carolina and the Diocese of Indianapolis.

The Bishop of Chicago emphasized the anticipated meeting of Bishops of the Western Hemisphere coincident with the fiftieth anniversary of the Chicago Quadrilateral, and repeated his invitation to the House.

The Bishop of Indianapolis and the Bishop of Western North Carolina, for the Bishop of North Carolina, withdrew, in view of the above circumstances, the invitations of the Diocese of Indianapolis and North Carolina.

On motion of the Bishop of West Texas the House accepted the invitation of the Bishop of Chicago for the meeting in 1936.

The Bishop of Massachusetts announced the hour of the Celebration of the Holy Communion tomorrow morning as 7:30 o’clock in Palmer Memorial Chapel, the service to be followed by breakfast in the Palmer Memorial Parish House, and by the election in the Church at 9 o’clock.

The Presiding Bishop pronounced the benediction, and the House adjourned at 10:10 P.M.
The Bishops met in the Palmer Memorial Chapel at 7:30 A.M. for a celebration of the Holy Communion, the Presiding Bishop being the Celebrant, the Bishop of Delaware reading the Epistle, the Bishop of Indianapolis reading the Gospel and the Bishop of Texas assisting.

The Bishops met in the Church at 9:00 A.M. for the election of Missionary Bishops.

The Bishop of Western North Carolina read a Lesson of Holy Scripture.

The Chair appointed as Tellers for the elections, the Bishop of Sacramento and the Bishop of Newark.

The Secretary read the names of the nominees for the Bishopric of North Tokyo and the Bishopric of Liberia.

The Chair directed the Bishops to prepare their ballots for a Bishop of North Tokyo.

The Secretary called the Roll and the Bishops deposited their ballots.

On the first ballot cast it was found the votes had been unanimously cast for the Right Reverend Charles F. Reifsnider, D.D.

The Chair declared the completion of the choice and the election, subject to the action of the Standing Committees.

The Chair appointed the Bishop of Indianapolis and the Bishop of Virginia a committee to notify the Bishop-elect.

The Bishop of Massachusetts indicated the three remaining matters of business to be considered, namely:

1. The report on the subject of the Mission Prayer Book and Hymnal.
2. The report of the Bishop of Albany on the subject of reception of persons confirmed but not in this Church.
3. Action on the resolution of the National Council concerning the Field Department.

The Bishop of Kansas presented the following resolution which was adopted:
Resolved: That this House instruct the Presiding Bishop and the President of the National Council to have conference with the Bishop and the people of the Diocese of Oregon in the matter of the suggested union of Oregon and Eastern Oregon.

The Chair directed the Bishops to prepare their ballots for a choice of a Bishop of Liberia.

The Secretary called the Roll and the Bishops cast their ballots.

It was found that on the first ballot a majority of votes had been cast for the Reverend Leopold Kroll, Ph.D., Dean of Holy Trinity Cathedral, Port Au Prince, Haiti.

The Presiding Bishop declared the completion of the choice, subject to approval by the Standing Committees.

The Presiding Bishop appointed the Bishop of Haiti and the Bishop of Kansas a committee to notify the Bishop-elect, and directed the Bishops to sign the Testimonial.

The Bishop of Nevada, for the Committee on a Mission Prayer Book and Hymnal, presented the following report which was adopted:

Your Committee begs to report progress, and to say that due to unforeseen difficulties, we are not ready to submit for your consideration at this time the compiled book the House directed us two years ago to prepare.

The Committee asks to be continued for another year to give further consideration to the matter.

The Bishop of Nevada offered the following resolution which was adopted.

In view of the coming fortieth anniversary on St. Andrew's Day of the Episcopate of the Bishop of Alaska, be it resolved that this meeting of the House of Bishops send to Bishop Rowe greetings, assuring him of our affectionate regard and wishing for him further years of fruitful service in the Church.

The Bishop of Albany presented the following form and report on the subject of the reception of persons confirmed but not in this Church, which was later referred to the Liturgical Commission.

If persons are to be received at the time of Confirmation, they shall renew their vows with the Confirmation class and, after all have been confirmed, such persons standing before the Bishop at the chancel steps, the minister shall say:

Reverend Father in God, I present unto you this person (these persons) to be received from the (Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox, etc.) Church into Communion and Fellowship with the Protestant Episcopal Church.
Then shall the Bishop say:

Do you declare that you have received Confirmation at the hands of a Bishop of the Holy Catholic Church?

Answer: I do.

Bishop: Do you desire to become and remain a communicant of this branch of the Holy Catholic Church?

Answer: I do.

Bishop: Will you be faithful in supporting the Church, attending Divine Worship, and especially in coming to the Blessed Sacrament of Holy Communion?

Answer: I will endeavor so to do, God being my helper.

Then the candidate shall kneel and the Bishop, laying his hand upon his head, shall say:

We receive and admit this person already confirmed into the communion and fellowship of this branch of Christ's Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church and do sign him with the sign of the Cross, in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. Amen.

Note: If deemed meet, all except the concluding prayer may be omitted. In the absence of the Bishop, some priest appointed by him may, in the presence of two or more witnesses, receive such persons in accordance with this Form, omitting the sentence of presentation.

As Chairman of the sub-committee, to which was referred the matter of drawing up a form for receiving Lay Persons already Confirmed, I present the following summary of action:

Letters were addressed to all members of the House of Bishops, and over fifty replies were received, many of them giving helpful suggestions. In brief, seventeen persons approved the form as sent out. Thirteen object to the use of the sign of the cross and prefer reception by taking the right hand of the candidate. Three want a simpler and shorter form. Two suggest a much longer form. Four oppose reception by a priest. Five wish a sentence asserting conformity to doctrine, discipline and worship. Two want some sentence of renunciation of former allegiance.

A summary of these replies was made before the Liturgical Commission at its last meeting, and the opinion of those present was in favor of a short and simple form. In fact, we practically agreed that such form should consist simply of a presentation of the candidates and the reception by the Bishop. On further reflection, however, your Chairman feels there is some value in specific questions, though fewer in number and somewhat different in form from those on the printed sheet. In place thereof I would suggest the following two questions:

1. Do you declare that you have received Confirmation in the Holy Catholic Church?

   Answer: I do.

2. Do you desire to be received into the communion of this Church and promise conformity to its doctrine, discipline and worship?

   Answer: I do.

The words of reception by the Bishop have been changed so as to omit the sign of the cross, which was objected to by many, and we think,
rightly, inasmuch as its chief significance is in connection with Baptism. We also changed the wording so that the reception shall be by taking the right hand instead of laying hands on the head of the candidate.

Your Commission is not certain that any printed form is really necessary, inasmuch as most Bishops have one of their own that is entirely adequate. On the other hand, a good many Bishops would like guidance and there may be some value in uniformity of procedure, though we take for granted that any form which may receive the approval of this House is in no sense mandatory, but simply suggestive, and put forth for the convenience of the Bishops.

The Presiding Bishop read prayers for the newly-elected Bishops.

The House adjourned to the Parish House at 10:00 A. M.

The Bishop of Albany offered the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved: That the report of the Committee on a form of reception for persons already confirmed be received and the form set forth approved as a suggested mode of procedure and referred to the Liturgical Commission.

The Bishop of Olympia spoke of Bishop Wells, sometime Bishop of Spokane, now ninety-four years of age, and requested that a message of affectionate greetings be sent through the Chairman of the House to him from his brother Bishops, which request was adopted by a rising vote.

The Bishop of Arizona requested that the greetings of the House to the Texas Baptist Convention now assembled be sent by the Presiding Bishop to that body.

The Bishop of Indianapolis expressed the most hearty thanks of the House to the Bishop, the Clergy and the people of the Diocese and City of Houston, for their wonderful hospitality extended to the House, which expression was adopted by the House by a rising vote.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi offered a vote of thanks to the Press for their splendid service to the House at this session.

In presenting this to the House for action, the Presiding Bishop emphasized the efficiency of their work, particularly calling attention to the work of the Department of Publicity in connection with the same.

The Bishop of Delaware presented the following resolutions from the National Council on the subject of the work of the Field Department, and alluded to the possibility of new develop-
ments in the operation of the National Council in this Department, with a view to carrying out the purpose of the Church, and asked for discussion on certain suggestions made by him:

Resolved: That the Reverend Dr. Reinheimer be asked to present at the December meeting of the Council a carefully considered plan and program for an extended promotional program, and

Further Resolved: That looking toward such a report the National Council asks the House of Bishops at its meeting in November to give its judgment and advice as to what it deems desirable and necessary in the way of promotion by the Field Department of the National Council.

Many of the Bishops spoke upon this subject.

The Bishop of Tennessee presented the following resolution, which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved: That the House of Bishops request the National Council to consider the advisability of engaging at the earliest possible time, which the income of the National Council permits, two additional assistant secretaries in the Field Department.

The Bishop of Nevada presented the following resolution which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved: That the House of Bishops congratulates the Church upon the completion by The Spirit of Missions of a century of constructive and fruitful service on behalf of Missionary work and workers both at home and abroad; commends the present high standard of the magazine; and bids its staff God-speed as it faces a future of continued edifying service.

The Chairman announced the receipt of certain messages which had come to him in the House too late to be previously reported, and congratulated the House upon the work which it had accomplished.

The Secretary read the Minutes of yesterday and of to-day which after correction were approved.

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved that after prayers and benediction the House adjourn, which was adopted.

The Presiding Bishop offered the noon-day prayers for Missions and pronounced the benediction.

The House at 12:25 p.m. adjourned sine die.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Chairman

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary
SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE
HOUSE OF BISHOPS

PARISH HOUSE, ST. LUKE'S PRO-CATHEDRAL,
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS,

MONDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1936.

This being the day and place appointed for the Annual Meeting of the House of Bishops, the Bishops assembled in St. Mark's Church at four-thirty o'clock. The Right Reverend the Bishop of East Carolina conducted the Quiet Hour with Meditations.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 1936.

The Holy Communion was celebrated on Tuesday morning, seven-thirty A.M. in St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral, the Bishop of Indianapolis celebrating, assisted by the Bishop of Chicago, who read the Epistle, and the Bishop of Delaware, who read the Gospel.

The House assembled for organization at nine-thirty o'clock in the parish house of St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral.

In the absence of the presiding Bishop, detained from attending by reason of illness, the Bishop of Indianapolis, Vice-Chairman of the House, called the House to order.

The Call for the Meeting as sent out by the Presiding Bishop was read by the Secretary as follows:

JULY 1, 1936.

Pursuant to the provisions of Rule of Order No. XXVIII of the General Rules of the House of Bishops, the regular annual session of the House of Bishops is hereby called to convene in Evanston, Illinois, from Monday, October 12, 1936, to Thursday, October 15, 1936. There will be devotional hours on Monday afternoon in St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral at four o'clock.

After a Celebration of the Holy Communion on Tuesday morning in St. Luke's Church, the business sessions will begin at 9:30 A.M.
The sessions will continue until such time on Thursday as may be required for the business of the House.

Among the matters of business for consideration and action by the House will be an election to the vacancy in the Missionary District (1) of North Dakota, and (2) of Wyoming.

The Bishops are invited to send to the Secretary of the House nominations for these vacancies.

On Thursday evening, October 15th, the visiting Bishops assembling for the Pan-American Conference will be welcomed. The sessions of the Conference will begin on Friday morning, the 16th, and continue until Saturday noon, to be followed on Sunday by the public services of the Conference.

Bishops attending the annual meeting and conferences are requested to bring vestments.

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 not.

(Signed) James DeWolf Perry, Presiding Bishop.

The following Bishops, consecrated since the last meeting of the House, were presented to the House and welcomed by the Chairman, to-wit:

The Right Reverend Theodore Russell Ludlow, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of Newark, by the Bishop of Newark.

The Right Reverend Benjamin Dunlap Dagwell, D.D., Bishop of Oregon, by the Bishop of New Jersey.

The Right Reverend Vedder Van Dyck, Bishop of Vermont, by the Bishop of Massachusetts.


The Right Reverend Lewis Bliss Whittemore, Bishop Coadjutor of Western Michigan, by the Bishop of Western Michigan.


The Roll of the House, certified by the Secretary, was presented showing sixty-five to be a Constitutional Majority and fifty a Quorum of the House.

The Roll being called it was found that seventy members of the House, being more than a quorum, were present, the following being a complete list of the Bishops answering, in all 86: 
The Bishop of Alaska.
Bishop of Indianapolis.
Bishop of West Virginia.
Bishop Woodcock.
Bishop of Western Michigan.
Bishop of Western Nebraska.
Bishop of Iowa.
Bishop of Minnesota.
Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts.
Bishop of New Mexico.
Bishop of East Carolina.
Bishop of Cuba.
Bishop of New Jersey.
Bishop of Michigan.
Bishop of Kansas.
Bishop of Southern Virginia.
Bishop of Dallas.
Suffragan Bishop of Arkansas.
Bishop of Texas.
Bishop of Nebraska.
Bishop of Coadjutor of Mississippi.
Bishop of California.
Bishop of Louisiana.
Bishop of Southwestern Virginia.
Bishop of Easton.
Bishop of Los Angeles.
Bishop of Delaware.
Bishop of Montana.
Bishop of Coadjutor of Colorado.
Bishop of Albany.
Bishop of Haiti.
Bishop of Pittsburgh.
Bishop of Washington.
Bishop of Coadjutor of West Virginia.
Bishop of Bethlehem.
Bishop of Spokane.

The Bishop of Springfield.
Bishop of Central New York.
Bishop of North Texas.
Bishop of Ohio.
Bishop of Northern Indiana.
Bishop of Milwaukee.
Bishop of Olympia.
Bishop of South Florida.
Bishop of Long Island.
Bishop of Arizona.
Suffragan Bishop of Long Island.
Bishop of New Hampshire.
Bishop of Nevada.
Bishop of Eau Claire.
Bishop of Fond du Lac.
Bishop of Southern Ohio.
Bishop of Chicago.
Bishop of Massachusetts.
Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia.
Bishop of West Missouri.
Bishop of Duluth.
Bishop of Harrisburg.
Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.
Bishop of Idaho.
Bishop of Newark.
Bishop of Sacramento.
Bishop of Western North Carolina.
Suffragan Bishop of Newark.
Bishop of Oregon.
Bishop of Vermont.
Bishop of Kentucky.
Bishop Coadjutor of Western Michigan.
Bishop of Quincy.
Bishop of East Carolina.
Bishop of Michigan.
Bishop of Kansas.
Bishop of Southern Virginia.
Bishop of Dallas.
Suffragan Bishop of Arkansas.
Bishop of Texas.
Bishop of Nebraska.
Bishop of Coadjutor of Mississippi.
Bishop of California.
Bishop of Louisiana.
Bishop of Southwestern Virginia.
Bishop of Easton.
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Bishop of Montana.
Bishop of Coadjutor of Colorado.
Bishop of Albany.
Bishop of Haiti.
Bishop of Pittsburgh.
Bishop of Washington.
Bishop of Coadjutor of West Virginia.
Bishop of Bethlehem.
Bishop of Spokane.

The following Bishops took their seats after the roll call:

Bishop Moreland.
Bishop N. S. Thomas.
The Bishop of Maine.
Bishop Winchester.
Bishop of Virginia.
Bishop of Colorado.
Bishop of Atlanta.
Bishop of E. Oregon.

The Chairman announced the death since the last meeting of the House, of the following named Bishops, using the Prayers as called for under Rule IV of the Rules of Order:


The Right Reverend John McKim, D.D., LL.D. Sometime Bishop of North Tokyo, died 4 April, 1936.

The Right Reverend Elmer Nicholas Schmuck, D.D., Bishop of Wyoming, died 28 April, 1936.

The Right Reverend Albion Williamson Knight, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey, died 9 June, 1936.


The Right Reverend Thomas Frederick Davies, D.D., Bishop of Western Massachusetts, died 25 August, 1936.

The Right Reverend Henry Damerel Aves, D.D. Sometime Bishop of Mexico, died 20 September, 1936.

The Bishop of Chicago presented the following message received from the Presiding Bishop:

I can do no more, my dear Brethren, than send a message of deep affection and Godspeed as you assemble for the sessions of this week. My profound disappointment in being prevented so suddenly from having my place among you is dispelled by my confidence in the power and wisdom with which your task will be accomplished under the direction of the Holy Spirit in your hours of worship and in the important task engaging you. I shall be constant in my prayer for God’s continued blessing. I would add a word of greeting and blessing to the new bishops whom we welcome to their places in the fellowship of the House.

JAMES DE WOLF PERRY.

The same Bishop offered the following resolution which was adopted by a rising vote:

WHEREAS, the illness of the Presiding Bishop has made it impossible for him to be present at this meeting of the House of Bishops,

Be It Resolved, That the House record its profound regret at the Presiding Bishop’s indisposition, and request the secretary to send to the Presiding Bishop our affectionate greetings, our appreciation of his thoughtful message, and the assurance of our prayers for his speedy recovery to his accustomed health.

The same Bishop presented the following resolution, which, on motion, was adopted, welcoming the visiting Bishops from Canada and the West Indies:

WHEREAS, We have present at this meeting of the House of Bishops members of the Episcopate from the Church in Canada and from the Church in the Province of the West Indies.

Be It Resolved, That the courtesy of seats on the floor of this House during this, and during all regular open sessions of the House be accorded to our brethren who have come to join us later in the Pan-American Conference of Anglican Bishops.
The same Bishop thereupon presented the visiting Bishops of Kootenay, Yukon, and Nassau, who were welcomed by the Chairman.

Under the head of communications from the Presiding Bishop, the following letter to the House from the Convocation of Idaho was read by the Secretary:

OCTOBER 9, 1936.

The Missionary District of Idaho, meeting last week in annual Convocation, and feeling the impetus of the leadership of the Rt. Rev. Frederick B. Bartlett, whom you sent to us last November, instructed the secretary of Convocation to send this expression of gratitude to Almighty God and to you, His servants and chief overseers, for the solution of our problems. We pledge ourselves to a more tangible expression of our gratitude by our works.

Bishop Bartlett is commending himself to the people of Idaho and endearing himself to the people of his jurisdiction. We are happy, and want you to know it.

(Signed) FRANK A. RHEA, Secretary.

A resolution from the Secretary of the Branch of the Clerical Union for the maintenance of Catholic principles concerning the case of Dr. Torok was ruled out of order as introducing a subject on which the House could not act.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the following Agenda and order of business for the several days of the sessions, which, on motion, was adopted:

1. Call to Order.
2. Reading of Call of the Special Meeting.
3. Presentation of New Members.
5. (a)—certified.
   (b)—called.
7. Communications from the Presiding Bishop.
8. Adoption of Orders of the Day and Agenda.
9. The Special Business of the meeting.
   (a) Presentation of resolutions to be referred to Committees or placed on the Calendar.
   (b) Resignation of Bishop Graves.
   (c) Resolution as to filling Missionary jurisdictions.
   (d) Report of Committee on a Missionary Service Book.
   (e) Action on resolution from National Council.

2:30 P.M.
(a) Report of Committee on Resignation of Bishops.
(b) Report of Committee on Domestic Missions regarding elections.
(c) Nomination of Missionary Bishops.
(d) Notices of hour and place of Celebration of Holy Communion on Wednesday and Thursday.
Wednesday

11-12 A.M. Forward Movement.

2:30 P.M.
(a) Report of Committee on election of Missionary Bishops.
(b) Torok resolutions.
(c) Statement by Bishop of California re Unity.

Thursday

9:30 A.M. Holy Communion.

Election of Missionary Bishops.

10. Reading of Minutes.

11. Adjournment.

On motion of the same Bishop the House limited speeches to five minutes during sessions of the House.

A resolution offered by the Bishop of Eau Claire in the matter of the case of Dr. Torok was ruled out of order by the Chairman.

The Bishop of California presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order:

Resolved, That Rule of Order XXXI be amended by adding a section to be numbered 5. (present Section 5 to be renumbered 6) and to read as follows: 5. In the case of the nomination of a Bishop in charge of a Missionary District to be transferred to another District the procedure shall be the same as directed in the preceding sections of this rule and other nominations may be made.

The Bishop of Haiti presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions:

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

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions:

Resolved, That this House proceed at this meeting to elect a Bishop for the vacant missionary District of North Dakota.

The same Bishop presented the following resolution which was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions:

Resolved, That this House proceed at this meeting to elect a Bishop for the vacant Missionary District of Wyoming.

The resignation of the Bishop of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Shanghai, Bishop Graves, as follows; was referred to the Committee on the resignation of Bishops:

In accordance with the provisions of Canon 18, Section VII, (i), I do herewith give notice of the resignation of his jurisdiction by the Right Reverend, the Bishop of Shanghai, communicated to the Presiding Bishop as follows:
My dear Presiding Bishop:

By reason of advancing years and of the fact that I am no longer able to visit the various stations of this Missionary Jurisdiction, I hereby present my resignation, of my office as Missionary Bishop of Shanghai, which I hope you will accept as effective as from December 31st of this year.

(Signed) F. R. Graves,
Bishop of the Missionary Jurisdiction of Shanghai.

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved that the following request of the National Council be presented by the Bishop of Delaware which was adopted:

Resolved, That the National Council send to the House of Bishops at its meeting in Chicago in October, a message of greeting, requesting their consideration and counsel as to the great need of the Church at this time in respect to the whole missionary situation.

The Bishop of Delaware addressed the House on the subject of the responsibility of the Bishops in connection with the furtherance of the missionary work of the Church.

The Bishop of Washington presented the following resolution which after consideration was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops assembled in Chicago cordially responds to the call of the President of the National Council, felicitating the Council on the fidelity with which it has discharged its obligations during the first two years of this triennium, and it freshly pledges itself to press with all insistence the urgent claims of the Church's missionary work. The House of Bishops assures the Council that it will do all in its power to keep the missionary work at a maximum of efficiency, and through the National Council it sends a heartening message to the missionaries in the field, who during recent years have been the chief sufferers of a restricted budget, with the further assurance that their Bishops will not fail them in this hour of their sore need.

The Bishop of Maine presented the following resolution on the subject of peace, which was, on motion, referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions:

Whereas, Sixty-three nations solemnly agreed to the Kellogg-Briand Peace Pact, renouncing war as an instrument of national policy; and

Whereas, The United States of America, through the then Secretary of State, Mr. Kellogg, was one of the Powers chiefly instrumental in promoting the signing of this Pact on the part of the other nations; therefore be it

Resolved, That the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, assembled at Evanston, Ill., respectfully petition the President of the United States to invite to a Conference Representatives of all the Nations signatory to the Peace Pact, for the purpose of considering what can be done by the Nations to
make effective the pledges given by them in signing the Pact, and so to avert the catastrophe of War, threatening the World to-day.

The Bishop of Arizona presented the following resolution which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The China Inland Mission appears to have carried on its missionary work with greater success than probably any others,

Therefore Be It Resolved, That a committee be appointed with power to add to its members, to study the methods of the China Inland Mission and report to the next meeting of this House.

At 11:15 the Bishop of Massachusetts moved that the House take recess till 12 o'clock, which motion was adopted.

The House reassembled at noon.

Noonday prayers were said by the Bishop of New Jersey.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Rochester, not present at the time of the presentation of newly consecrated Bishops, was presented to the House by the Bishop of Rochester and welcomed by the Chairman.

A telegram on the subject of peace, received from Reverend William Sheafe Chase, was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

The Bishop of California presented the following amendment to Rule of Order XXXI.

The Committee on Rules, to which was referred the resolution of the Bishop of California amending Rule XXXI makes the following recommendation, which was adopted:

Resolved, That Rule of Order XXXI be amended by adding a section to be numbered 5 (present Section 5 to be renumbered 6) and to read as follows: 5. In the case of the proposed transfer of a Bishop in Charge of a Missionary District to another District, the action shall be by ballot after the celebration of the Holy Communion, as in the case of the election of Missionary Bishops.

The Suffragan Bishop of Long Island, Bishop Creighton, for the Committee on Domestic Missions, presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Domestic Missions recommends to the House that it proceed to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Wyoming.

The same Bishop presented the following resolution, which was, on motion, adopted:
Resolved, That the Committee on Domestic Missions recommends to the House that it proceed to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of North Dakota.

The same Bishop presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Domestic Missions recommends to the House that it proceed to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary District of the Panama Canal Zone.

The Bishop of Colorado presented a resolution concerning the Torok case which was placed on the Calendar.

The Bishop of Pittsburgh offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Rules:

Resolved, That Rule XXVIII of the Rules of Order of the House of Bishops be amended to read: Special Meetings of the House of Bishops may be held on the call of the Presiding Bishop. Notice of such meetings shall be mailed at least six weeks in advance, stating the time and place of meeting.

The Bishop of Olympia for the Committee on Resignation of Bishops presented the following report and resolution:

Your Committee on Resignations to which was referred the resignation of the Rt. Reverend Frederick R. Graves, the Bishop of Shanghai, to take effect on December 31st of this year, reports as follows:

WHEREAS, After careful consideration of all the facts available with reference to Bishop Grave's request, and in view of present conditions both in the Church and in International affairs wherein the need of a continuance of his Christian statesmanship is of paramount importance and
WHEREAS, We have been informed that Bishop Graves' health has steadily improved.

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the resignation of Bishop Graves be not accepted at this time and that we, his brethren, affectionately urge him to continue his leadership as Bishop in the Missionary District of Shanghai.

The Bishop of Massachusetts offered as a substitute, the preamble and the resolution that the Bishop of Shanghai be requested to withhold his resignation till the General Convention of 1937, which was adopted.

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved that the House take recesses until 2:30 o'clock and on reassembling it go into executive session.

Nominations for the Bishopric of Wyoming being called for, the nominations presented through the Secretary were read and other names were recorded for presentation to the Committee on Nominations.
The roll being called in reverse order, the Bishop of Colorado asked that the rule requiring the reading of the roll of the House for nominations be suspended and that nominations be made from the floor as desired, which was adopted.

Nominations for the Bishopric of North Dakota received through the Secretary were read and other names were added from the floor of the House for presentation to the Committee on Nominations.

Nominations for the Bishopric of the Panama Canal Zone were made from the floor for presentation to the Committee on Nominations.

The House considering the Torok case, the Secretary read the resolutions of the Bishop of Eau Claire and the Bishop of Colorado. The latter resolution was ruled out of order.

The Bishop of Colorado presented the following resolution, which had been placed on the Calendar:

WHEREAS, The Bishop of Eau Claire has had the impression that the House of Bishops Meeting in Houston had left to him the designation of the official status of Dr. John William Torok:

Therefore Be It Resolved, That the House of Bishops declares its judgment as follows:

1. That no individual Bishop has power to give status as a Bishop in or of this Church to anyone claiming to be a Bishop;
2. That therefore the aforesaid John William Torok has no status whatever as a Bishop in or of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, and may not perform any of the functions or duties of the Episcopal office, nor can he be listed or recorded as a Bishop in or of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Resolved, That this action of the House of Bishops is in no way to be interpreted as casting any aspersions upon the character of Dr. John William Torok, nor has it passed upon the validity of his Orders, neither of which questions have been passed upon by this House.

A typewritten statement made by the Bishop of Eau Claire of his position in the Torok case was presented to the House.

An amendment made by the Bishop of Eau Claire relative to investigation by a special committee of the Torok case was ruled out of order.

The Bishop of Northern Indiana gave notice of a resolution to follow after action on the resolution of the Bishop of Colorado.

On motion, the resolution of the Bishop of Colorado stating the position of the House was adopted.
The Bishop of Northern Indiana offered a resolution of appreciation of the dealing with a difficult problem in the Torok case by the Bishop of Eau Claire, which was on motion of the Bishop of Spokane referred to the Bishops of Northern Indiana and Chicago for revision.

The Bishop of Eau Claire offered a resolution requesting the appointment of a committee of five of this House to go over the matter of the Torok case for the past twelve years and report to the General Convention.

The following resolution presented by the Bishop of Colorado was adopted, the Bishop of Eau Claire having withdrawn his resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops records its complete confidence in the integrity and sincerity of the Bishop Eau Claire together with its admiration for his thorough study and patient continuance in dealing with a difficult problem of ecclesiastical relations committed to him.

The Bishop of Colorado moved that the three resolutions concerning the Torok case be recorded as the action of this House and be released, which motion was adopted.

The Bishop of California spoke on the subject of unity with other churches, advising the House of the progress of the special committee on this subject. The Bishop of Eau Claire supplemented this report and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint a Committee of three Bishops to study the whole question of Confirmation as administered in our own and other Communions and report to the next meeting of the House.

This same Bishop presented a statement relative to a misunderstanding by the Lutheran Church of the attitude of this Church which was on motion referred to the Bishop of Eau Claire and the Bishop of Bethlehem to report tomorrow.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi for the Committee on Missionary Service Book presented such a book to be explained by the Bishop of Nevada, the Secretary of the Committee who addressed the House.

A resolution offered by the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi on this subject was referred back to the Committee to report to the House tomorrow.

On motion the House rose from Executive Session.
On motion the House adjourned at 6:00 P.M. to Wednesday morning at 9:30.

SECOND DAY

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1936.

The House reassembled at 9:30 A.M. and was called to order by the Chairman.

The meeting was opened with devotional service conducted by the Chairman, a lesson of Holy Scripture being read by the Bishop Coadjutor of Western Michigan.

The minutes of yesterday's session were read by the Secretary and approved as read.

The Bishop of Chicago presented the Bishop of Algoma to the House.

The Bishop of Washington presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Chairman appoint a Committee of five to prepare a statement to the Church concerning the mind of this House with reference to the two central themes to be discussed by the Pan American Conference, namely the Western Hemisphere and Peace and the Western Hemisphere and Missions.

The Bishop of Los Angeles presented the following resolution relative to the responsibility of the Church in the field of Christian action, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Christian world is facing a crisis, marked by persistent assaults against those principles of liberty, justice, and peace, which lie at the heart of the Christian faith, and by widespread questioning of the rights of the Christian Church and Christian people to express those loyalties which inhere in discipleship to Jesus Christ;

Be It Resolved, That the House of Bishops recommends to the people of the Church careful study of the Church's relation to those issues which are arising from the claims of secularism and the totalitarian state and in particular urges support of the world conference on life and Work and Faith and Order to be held in Oxford and Edinburgh in 1937 for the discussion of the responsibility of the Church of Christ in the field of Christian action, and

Be It Further Resolved, That the House of Bishops commends to interested and generous Christian people the joint appeal of the two conferences for necessary help in carrying out what may prove to be two of the most momentous councils in Christian History.

Bishop Woodcock, for the Committee on Rules, presented the action of the Committee in recommending the omission of the
first paragraph of Rule of Order XXVIII. The Bishop of Washington offered as a substitute the changing of the word "shall" to "may" in the first line of the paragraph, which was lost. The question being on the omission of paragraph 1, it was lost by a vote of 24 to 40. The resolution of the Bishop of Pittsburgh relative to the calling of special meetings of the House made inoperative by the action just taken, was not reported out by the Committee on Rules.

The Bishop of Eau Claire presented a resolution on the subject of relations with other religious bodies. Certain suggestions being made in the wording the resolution presented by the Bishop of Eau Claire was referred back to the Committee.

The Bishop of Missouri appeared and took his seat.

The Bishop of Minnesota moved a reconsideration of the resolution of the Bishop of Washington on the subject of presenting to the Church a message from the House on the Conference of the House with the Pan-American Bishops which was adopted. The Bishop of Michigan moved that the whole matter be laid upon the table which was adopted.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi for the Committee on the preparation of a Missionary Service Book presented the following report and resolution which on motion were adopted with the assurance by the Committee of the acceptance of the changes requested from the floor of the House, as noted in the presented report of the Committee:

The Committee on a Missionary Service Book, appointed by this House in Davenport, 1933, begs to present such a book and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops receive the report of the special committee on a Missionary Service Book and commend the Book to the Bishops of the Church for such use and authorization as they may deem desirable. Also

Be It Resolved, That this House request the payment of $100.00 from the General Convention Fund for the expenses of the Committee on the Mission Service Book.

The Bishop of Delaware presented the following resolution calling for the appointment of a committee of five on the subject of the joint conference which was adopted:

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to prepare a statement to be sent out to the Church expressing the mind of this House on questions which have been considered by it in relation to its missionary responsibility and the peace of the world.
The Chairman later appointed the following members as such Committee:

The Bishop of California.
The Bishop of Spokane.
The Bishop of Washington.
The Bishop of Missouri.
The Bishop of Chicago.

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved that a half hour be given to the subject of the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop which was adopted.

The Bishop of Colorado, the Bishop of Minnesota, and the Bishop of Chicago presented the problems involved from different angles.

At 11:15 the Bishop of Southern Ohio spoke on the subject of the Forward Movement, and was followed by many Members of the House, speaking words of commendation of the work accomplished under this Movement.

The noonday prayers were said by the Bishop of Alaska.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the House went into Executive Session to consider the report of the Committee on Nomination of Bishops.

The Bishop of Florida reported for the Committee on Nominations on the nominations made for Wyoming.

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved that when the House adjourn it be to meet at 2:30 o'clock which motion was adopted.

On motion the House adjourned.

The House reassembled at 2:30 in Executive Session.

The Bishop of Florida for the Committee on Nominations reported on the nominations made for North Dakota.

The Bishop of Iowa moved that nominations for the Canal Zone be reopened which motion was adopted.

The Bishop of Kansas thereupon placed in nomination the name of a clergyman.

The Bishop of Florida for the Committee on Nominations reported on the nominations made for the Canal Zone.

The same Bishop asked that the Committee be permitted to retire to complete its work and to report on other nominations presented, which requested was granted.

On motion the House rose from Executive Session.
The Bishop of Pittsburgh for the Committee on Memorials and Petitions presented the resolution of the Bishop of Maine offered at yesterday's session and reported that while all the members of the Committee were in sympathy with the idea, yet they questioned whether the action suggested in the resolution would be wise or effective at this particular time, and therefore returned the resolution to the mover and the House without recommendation.

On motion the report of the Committee was accepted.

The Bishop of Eau Claire presented the resolution referred back to him and the Bishop of Bethlehem as a Committee for Revision.

The resolution was adopted as follows:

The policy of the Episcopal Church is fraternal consideration for people of other Christian bodies. Deploring as we do the divisions which separate the followers of Christ into various denominations, we nevertheless discountenance schemes of proselytizing in order to break down any other religious group. We look for the day when Christian disciples may be joined together in a common faith, a common worship, a common ministry, and a common service. Meantime we respect the convictions of those whose allegiance is lodged elsewhere than in the membership of the Episcopal Church. We recognize the right and the responsibility to seek out the unchurched or those who may have drifted from their former connection but we disapprove of attempts to invade the congregation of an already established Christian work.

The Bishop of California spoke on the subject of the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop and was followed by other Members of the House speaking on the same subject.

The Bishop of Massachusetts moved to go into Executive Session which motion was adopted.

The Bishop of Florida for the Committee on Nominations continued its report on the subject of nominations for the Canal Zone, Wyoming, and North Dakota.

On motion the House adjourned to meet in the Cathedral at 9:30 o'clock in the morning for the election of Missionary Bishops.

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THIRD DAY
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1936.

The House assembled in St. Luke's Pro-Cathedral for the election of Missionary Bishops at 9:30 a.m.

The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop of Indianapolis, assisted by the Bishop of Alaska, who read the Gospel,
the Bishop of Delaware, who read the Epistle, and the Bishop of New Mexico and the Bishop of Chicago.

At the close of the service, the Vice-Chairman called the House to order.

The order of service prescribed in the Rules of Order was followed, the Bishop of Quincy reading a Lesson of Scripture.

The Bishops were directed to prepare their ballots for the election to the Bishopric of Wyoming.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Western Michigan and the Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey were appointed Tellers.

The Secretary read the names of those nominated for the Bishopric of Wyoming.

The Secretary called the roll and the Bishops cast their ballots.

The House proceeded to the election of a Bishop for the Missionary Bishopric of the Canal Zone.

The Chairman appointed as Tellers the Bishop of Kentucky and the Bishop Coadjutor of Rochester.

The Bishops prepared their ballots.

The Secretary called the roll and the Bishops cast their ballots.

The Bishop of California for the Committee of five on the subject of World Peace and the Church's mission presented a resolution which on motion was not adopted.

The Tellers reported on the first ballot for Wyoming that there was no election.

The Bishops prepared their ballots.

The Secretary called the roll and the Bishops deposited their ballots.

The Tellers reported on the balloting for the Bishopric for the Canal Zone and it was found that on the first ballot the Very Reverend Harry Beal, D.D., a Presbyter of the Diocese of Los Angeles had been chosen as Bishop of the Missionary District of the Canal Zone.

The Chairman thereupon declared the completion of the choice subject to confirmation by the Standing Committee.

The Chairman appointed as a committee of notification the
Bishop of Los Angeles, the Bishop of Cuba, the Bishop of Massachusetts, and the Bishop of Central New York.

The Bishop of California resumed his report for the Committee of five.

The Tellers reported on the choice of a Bishop for the Missionary District of Wyoming. On the second ballot it was found that the Very Reverend Winfred Hamlin Ziegler, D.D., Archdeacon of Chicago and a Presbyter of that Diocese, had been chosen for the Bishopric of the Missionary District of Wyoming. The Chairman thereupon declared the completion of the choice subject to confirmation by the Standing Committees.

The Chairman appointed as a committee of notification the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of Alaska, and the Bishop of New Mexico.

The House proceeded to a choice for the Bishopric of the Missionary Jurisdiction of North Dakota.

The Chairman appointed the Bishop of Vermont and the Bishop of Western Michigan as Tellers.

The Bishops prepared their ballots.

The Secretary called the roll and the Bishops deposited their ballots.

The Tellers reported that on the first ballot the Reverend Douglass Henry Atwill, D.D., a Presbyter of the Diocese of Minnesota, had been chosen as Bishop of the Missionary District of North Dakota. The Chairman thereupon declared the completion of the choice subject to confirmation by the Standing Committees.

The Chairman appointed as a committee of notification the Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota and the Bishop of Duluth.

The House rose from Executive Session and adjourned to the Parish House.

The Bishops signed the Testimonials for the newly chosen Bishops.

The Bishop of Chicago introduced the Right Reverend Bishop of British Honduras, who was welcomed by the Chairman.
The Bishop of New York offered as a substitute for the report of the Committee of five the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That this House express the hope that the Pan-American Conference may see fit to issue a statement in regard to the great subjects which that Conference is to consider.

The Bishop of Albany presented the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a committee to prepare a statement with special reference to the missionary situation in the Church and report to this House before adjournment, said statement to be sent to the clergy of the Church.

At the request of the House the Committee of five was increased to a Committee of six, and the Bishop of Albany was added to that Committee.

The Bishop of Colorado moved that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet on Friday at four o'clock in this room which was adopted.

On motion the House reconsidered this action.

This Bishop of California moved that when we adjourn, we adjourn to meet Friday afternoon at the close of the conference or at 4:30 o'clock which was adopted.

The Bishop of Massachusetts presented the following vote of appreciation of the services of the Vice Chairman at the Session of the House:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops desires to express to the Bishop of Indianapolis its deep appreciation of his distinguished services as our Presiding officer at this session of the House.

The motion was put by the Secretary and carried unanimously by a rising vote.

The Bishop of Colorado presented the following resolution of thanks to the Bishop of Chicago and to those who had co-operated with him as follows which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops extend to the Bishop of Chicago, and to those who have co-operated with him our hearty thanks for the gracious hospitality received at their hands during our recent session.

The Minutes of yesterday and of today were read by the Secretary.

The Bishop of Southern Ohio asked that a vote of thanks be given to the Chairman of the Committee on the Dispatch of Business which was adopted unanimously by a rising vote.
The Bishop of Massachusetts asked that a vote of thanks be given to the pages for their kindly help which was adopted.

The Bishop of Albany asked that a vote of thanks be given to the Secretary which was adopted.

The Bishop of North Texas moved that the minutes of yesterday and of today as read and corrected be adopted, which motion was adopted.

On motion the House at 12:50 P.M. adjourned until Friday afternoon in accordance with the above resolution.

FOURTH DAY

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1936.

The House reconvened at four o'clock, the Vice Chairman in the Chair.

The Bishop of California for the Special Committee of Six to report on the findings of the conference asked that the Bishop of Spokane present the report.

The Bishop of Spokane presented the report as follows:

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR BISHOPS

The House of Bishops meeting in the Diocese of Chicago has during its deliberations had conspicuously before it four matters:

- The Church's Mission.
- The Church's Spiritual Life.
- The Unity of Christ's Church.
- The Peace of the World.

Our first responsibility is the Church's Mission to the world.

We record our whole-hearted approval of the recent statement of the National Council upon this subject. Despite drastic cuts the missionary work of the Church is being carried on with courage and with sacrifice.

Nevertheless, we remind the Church that holding the line is not enough. We must go forward. To do so requires communicants who are not indifferent but interested, not ignorant but informed, and whose giving to the support of the Church is based not upon impulse but upon income.

The Forward Movement has already inspired many of us with a new consecration to the purpose of God. The spiritual life of our people is being deepened. We thank God for the leadership the Forward Movement Commission is giving us, and pray His continued blessing upon that work.

The Peace of the World is of vital concern to the Church. Peace is more than the elimination of war. In God's will is our peace. Only as men submit themselves to the reign of God can they find abiding peace.
Against every force making for the debasement of life and the de-
struction of order the Church of Christ must assemble its utmost re-
sources of intelligence, sacrifice and love. The Church is the messenger
of peace. No pressure of a sinful and selfish world must turn it from
that goal.

As Christian citizens of the American Republic we dare to hope that
our country will undertake a forthright leadership in the cause of world
peace.

The Unity of the Church is fundamental both to the extension of the
Kingdom of God and the Peace of the World.

We have met where fifty years ago our Church took a definite prac-
tical step toward unity in setting forth the statement of principles known
as the Chicago-Lambeth Quadrilateral,—the Holy Scriptures, the Apostles’
and Nicene Creeds, the two Sacraments as ordained by Christ, and the
historic Episcopate.

This approach toward unity has been fostered by the able and devoted
work of our own Commission on Faith and Order. As we record our
gratitude for steady progress toward unity among Christian people, we
commend to the prayers of the Church two approaching world confer-
ences,—one on Faith and Order, and the other on Life and Work.

Inscribed upon the Altar Cross in the very Cathedral in which we
have met are these words:—

"The world turns over; the Cross stands."

Our faith is unshaken.

We know our Leader.

We go forward with Him who is the same yesterday, today, and
forever.

The Bishop of Chicago offered a resolution that the report of
the Committee be accepted with the understanding that the Com-
mittee would make such editorial changes as had been suggested
from the floor.

The Bishop of California requested that the report be read to
all Congregations of the Church as called for in the original
resolution appointing the Committee.

A request for a heading for the report being made, the follow-
ing was suggested,—"A Message From Your Bishops," which
was adopted.

The Bishop of Minnesota moved that after the Benediction
by the Chairman, the House adjourn which motion was adopted.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The Chairman pronounced the Benediction and the House ad-
journed sine die.

JOSEPH MARSHALL FRANCIS, Vice Chairman.
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* Rev. J. E. Flockhart takes Dean Philbrook's place Oct. 9th only.
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* Rev. Robert Rogers, D.D., takes Mr. Watson's place on 6th day.
* Rev. Perry G. M. Austin takes Mr. Lewis' place on 9th day.
* Edward S. Hungerland takes Mr. Gray's place on 2nd day.
* Mr. C. J. O'Connor takes Mr. Albee's place on 8th day.
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*Mr. Wm. E. Sherman takes Dr. Sills' place from Oct. 6 to 14.*
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*^* Rev. John H. Schwacke takes Mr. Crocker’s place on 5th day.

* Mr. Henry T. Stetson takes Mr. Green’s place on 8th day.

* Mr. H. T. Steele takes Mr. Battle’s place on 9th day.
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† Rev. Virgil P. Stewart takes Mr. Hoffenbacker’s place on 8th day. 
‡ Very Rev. Chester Emerson takes Dr. Breed’s place on Oct. 13. 
§ Mr. John W. Ford takes Mr. Inglis’ place on 5th day and Mr. Mather’s place on 8th day.
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- The Rev. Howard H. Hassinger, *Geneva*

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* Rev. Thomas H. Carson takes Dr. Moor's place on 5th day.
* Mr. Arthur B. Lisle takes Mr. Brown's place from Oct. 6th to 13th.
* Mr. W. Herbert Wall takes Mr. Emerson's place on 7th day.
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Rev. R. M. Gunn takes Mr. Wallace's place on 9th day.

Rev. W. W. Davis takes Mr. Haughton's place on 9th day.

Rev. Henry F. Selcer takes Mr. Jones' place on 10th day.

Mr. Thos. A. Scott takes Mr. Dew's place on 8th day.
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* Rev. F. Bland Tucker takes Dr. Hart's place on 9th day.
* Rev. Roy H. Fairchild takes Mr. Trelease's place from Oct. 5th to 12th and  
  Mr. Tyner's place from Oct. 15th to end.
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The Rev. B. M. Lackey, Lenoir.

Mr. F. P. Bacon, Tryon.
Mr. Wm. L. Balthis, Gastonia.
Mr. Samuel E. Elmore, Spindale.
Mr. Harold V. Smedberg, Brevard.

* Mr. Frank J. Pope takes Mr. Hart's place on 5th day.
* Mr. Henry Adsit Bull takes Mr. Orr's place on 5th day.
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** Rev. L. G. McAfee takes Mr. Nobes' place Oct. 9th only.
*** Rev. Francis J. Pryor, III, takes Mr. Lee's place on 8th day.
FOREIGN MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

ANKING

Clerical
The Rev. Edmund J. Lee, D.D.,
Chatham, Va.

CUBA

The Rev. A. Hugo Blankingship, Mr. George E. Knight,
Havana.

HAITI

The Very Rev. Geo. E. Benedict, Mr. Deus Buteau,
Port-au-Prince.

KYOTO

The Rev. J. H. Lloyd,
Norfolk, Va.

MEXICO

The Rev. José F. Gómez,
Mexico.

NORTH TOKYO

The Rev. James Chappell, Mr. Paul Rusch,
Mito Shi.

SHANGHAI

The Rev. Francis A. Cox, Mr. M. P. Walker,
Alexandria, Va.

SOUTHERN BRAZIL

The Rev. Dr. Athalicio T. Pithan, Prof. David M. Driver,

TOHOKU

The Rev. Hunter M. Lewis, Mr. Donald L. Zoll,
Fukushima, Rochester, N. Y.

AMERICAN CHURCHES IN EUROPE

Very Rev. F. W. Beekman, D.D., Mr. Edward A. Sumner,
Paris.

*The Rev. R. C. Moreno takes Mr. Blankingship's place on 11th Day.*
FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

CHRIST CHURCH, CINCINNATI, OHIO.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1937.

This being the day designated by the last General Convention for holding a meeting of the General Convention, the Bishops and Deputies-elect assembled, agreeable to the appointment of the last General Convention at Cincinnati, Ohio, at 7:30 A.M. in Christ Church.


At 3 P.M. the Secretary of the last House, the Rev. Franklin J. Clark, called the House to order, read a passage of Holy Scripture, and led the House in Prayer.

The credentials of those who attended as members-elect of the House of Deputies, having previously been received and recorded, the names were called and the following members responded and took their seats:

CLERICAL DEPUTIES


ARKANSAS.—Archdeacon Burke and Dean Williamson and the Rev. Messrs. Lathrop and Stowell.

ATLANTA.—The Rev. Messrs. Walker, Wright, Jr., Claiborne, Jr., and Saumening.


CALIFORNIA.—Archdeacons Hodgkin, Shires and the Rev. Dr. Rifenbark and the Rev. Mr. Green.

CENTRAL NEW YORK.—The Rev. Dr. Tanner, and the Rev. Messrs. Henstridge, Braithwaite and Leyfield.

CHICAGO.—The Rev. Drs. Bowen, Randall and Grant and the Rev. Mr. Story.


CONNECTICUT.—The Rev. Drs. Sill, Cline and Lewis and the Rev. Mr. Kelly.

DALLAS.—Dean Wood and the Rev. Messrs. Smith, Beesley and Fox.


FOND DU LAC.—The Rev. Messrs. St. Clair, Dubois, Jr., Barnett and Johnson.


HARRISBURG.—Dean Heistand, the Rev. Dr. Atkins and the Rev. Messrs. Frear and Pfaffko.


IOWA.—Dean Philbrook and the Rev. Messrs. Fullwood, Kennan and Burroughs.


KENTUCKY.—The Rev. Messrs. Musson, Fletcher, Rennenberg and Langley, Jr.

LEXINGTON.—Archdeacon Davis and the Rev. Drs. Pendleton, Sparling and the Rev. Mr. Hunter.

LONG ISLAND.—Dean Kinsolving, the Rev. Messrs. Cummings, Watson and Olafson.

LOYOLA.—The Rev. Messrs. Lewis and Clark, Jr., and Canon Barnes.

Louisiana.—Dean Nes, the Rev. Drs. Slack, Coupland and the Rev. Mr. Wattley.

MAINE.—Dean Perkins and the Rev. Messrs. Patterson, Akeley and Berger.

MARYLAND.—The Rev. Drs. Fenn, Kinsolving and Jensen and the Rev. Mr. Sparkman.

MASSACHUSETTS.—The Rev. Drs. Washburn, Kinsolving, Osgood and Dean Sturges.

MICHIGAN.—Dean Hagger and the Rev. Messrs. Ramsay, Barton and Lewis.
MILWAUKEE.—The Rev. Dr. Whitmore and the Rev. Messrs. Martin, Kelley and Dean Roth.


MISSOURI.—The Rev. Drs. Block and Kevin and the Rev. Mr. Cobb.


NEBRASKA.—Dean McGinley and the Rev. Mr. Clayton.

NEWARK.—Dean Leslie, Jr., and the Rev. Drs. Gomph, Dumper and the Rev. Mr. Trenbath.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—The Rev. Messrs. Harris, Niles, Dunstan and Chapin.

NEW JERSEY.—The Rev. Dr. Hubbard and the Rev. Messrs. Williams, Crocker and Stowe.


NORTHERN INDIANA.—Dean Wheatley and the Rev. Messrs. Hoffenbacker, Murphy and Langendorff.


OHIO.—The Rev. Drs. Breed, Tunks, Sidener and Patterson.

OLYMPIA.—The Rev. Dr. Wieland and the Rev. Messrs. Horn, Christie and Bailey.


PENNSYLVANIA.—The Rev. Dr. Schreiner and the Rev. Messrs. Conkling, niblo and Taylor.

PITTSBURGH.—The Rev. Drs. Flint, Moor, Shero and Porkess.

QUINCY.—Dean Heiligstedt and the Rev. Dr. Putt and the Rev. Messrs. Savage and Neal.

RHOE ISLAND.—The Rev. Dr. Hughes and the Rev. Messrs. Evans, Carmichael and Parsley.


SACRAMENTO.—The Rev. Messrs. Farlander, Freeland, Chester and Runnells.


SOUTHERN VIRGINIA.—The Rev. Drs. Brown, Goodwin and Carter and the Rev. Mr. Will.

SOUTHWESTERN VIRGINIA.—The Rev. Drs. Barnwell, Berkeley and Gravatt and the Rev. Mr. Winslow.


TENNESSEE.—The Rev. Drs. Blaisdell, Sheerin, Canon Sharp and the Rev. Mr. Melcher.

TEXAS.—The Rev. Dr. Wolfe and the Rev. Messrs. Brown, Jr., Caruthers and Jones.


VIRGINIA.—The Rev. Drs. Tucker, Brydon, Rollins and Mason.
WEST TEXAS.—The Rev. Dr. McKinstry and the Rev. Messrs. Munds and Leel.
WEST VIRGINIA.—The Rev. Messrs. Hobson, Tyler, Bomberger and Roller.
WESTERN NEW YORK.—Dean Hale and Dean Patterson and the Rev. Dr. Groves and the Rev. Mr. Heath.
WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA.—The Rev. Messrs. Stoney, Rogers, Craver and Lackey.

DOMESTIC MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

ALASKA.—Dean Goodman.
EASTERN OREGON.—The Rev. Mr. Kopp.
HONOLULU.—The Rev. Mr. Corey.
IDAHO.—Dean Rhea.
NEVADA.—The Rev. Mr. Kean.
NEW MEXICO AND SOUTHWEST TEXAS.—The Rev. Mr. Twiss.
NORTH DAKOTA.—The Rev. Mr. Parcells.
NORTH TEXAS.—The Rev. Mr. Gerhart.
OKLAHOMA.—The Rev. Mr. Quarterman.
PANAMA CANAL ZONE.—Dean Cooper.
PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.—The Rev. Mr. Nobes.
PUERTO RICO.—The Rev. Mr. Garcia.
SALINA.—Dean Vinnedge.
SAN JOAQUIN.—The Rev. Mr. Walters.
SOUTHERN MICHIGAN.—Dean Woodruff.
SPOKANE.—Dean McAllister.
UTAH.—Dean Bulkley.
WESTERN NEBRASKA.—Dean Lee.
WYOMING.—The Rev. Mr. Tull.

FOREIGN MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

CUBA.—The Rev. Mr. Blankingship.
KYOTO.—The Rev. Mr. Lloyd.
MEXICO.—The Rev. Mr. Gomez.
SOUTHERN BRAZIL.—The Rev. Dr. Pithan.
TOHOKU.—The Rev. Mr. Lewis.
AMERICAN CHURCHES IN EUROPE.—Dean Beekman.

LAY DEPUTIES

ALABAMA.—Judge Baldwin and the Honorable T. E. Kilby and Mr. Oscar Kilby.
ALBANY.—Messrs. Glenn, Conover and McNamee, Jr., and Col. Raymond.
ARKANSAS.—Messrs. Noble, Maxwell and Rightor, Jr.
ATLANTA.—Judge Pomeroy and Dr. Pusey and Mr. Harrold.

CENTRAL NEW YORK.—Dr. Frank W. Moore and Prof. Ogden and Messrs. Boyer and Behm.

CHICAGO.—Messrs. Lindstrom, Wright, Ryerson and Cushman.

COLORADO.—Dr. Cooke and Major Teicher and Mr. Chittenden.

CONNECTICUT.—Judge Seymour and Messrs. McCook, Colt and Lord.

DALLAS.—Messrs. Crocker, Haddaway and Straughn.

DELAWARE.—Dr. Hullihen, and Messrs. Elliott, Lord and Forman.

DULUTH.—Mr. Melander

EAST CAROLINA.—Messrs. Royall, Braggaw and Campbell.


EAU CLAIRE.—Messrs. Mochle, Boothby, Van Steenwyk, and Pitts.

ERIE.—Messrs. Mallett, Mackey, Chickering and Phillips.

FLORIDA.—Messrs. Davis, Dearing and Bishop.

FOND DU LAC.—Dr. Millis and Messrs. Witter and Roddis.

GEORGIA.—Dr. Anderson and Judge Cam and Mr. Setze.

HARRISBURG.—Col. Reynolds and the Messrs. Hartman and McCreath.

INDIANAPOLIS.—Messrs. Hammond, Smith and McNutt.

IOWA.—Messrs. Powers and Starr.

KANSAS.—Dr. Horn and Messrs. Gibbs, Berry and Mize.


LEXINGTON.—Gen. Duncan and Dr. Cowan and Messrs. McDonald and Soaper.

LONG ISLAND.—Dr. Barnes and Col. Orr and Messrs. Leggo and Gulden.

LOS ANGELES.—Messrs. Albee, Gair and Fleming, Jr.

LOUISIANA.—Dr. Kearny and Messrs. Law and Jarreau.

MAINE.—Messrs. Gardiner and Clarke.

MARYLAND.—Judge Harlan and Messrs. Demmead, Latane and Savage.

MASSACHUSETTS.—Prof. Beale, Judge Parker and Mr. Rand.


MILWAUKEE.—Messrs. Morehouse, Morris, Foulkes and Snowden.

MINNESOTA.—Messrs. King, Hammford, Jr., and Lightner.

MISSISSIPPI.—Mr. Hawkins and Capt. Shields.

MISSOURI.—Messrs. Stribling and Blake.

MONTANA.—Mr. Spencer.


NEWARK.—Col. Lydecker and Mr. Russell.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Messrs. Woodman, and Davison.

NEW JERSEY.—Mr. Stroud, and Hon. C. McK Whittemore.


NORTHERN IOWA.—Messrs. Haberly, Latta and Schermerhorn.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN.—Messrs. McBean, and Douglass.

OHIO.—Messrs. Mather, Cowin, Blake and Inglis.

OLYMPIA.—Messrs. Wilbur and Redfield.

OREGON.—Hon. Blaine B. Coles, and Mr. Paget.

PENNSYLVANIA.—Messrs. Coates, Ervin, Houston, and Morgan.

PITTSBURGH.—Mr. Shoemaker.

QUINCY.—Messrs. Brandt and Loughlin.

RHODE ISLAND.—Messrs Lisle, Thornley, Learned and Howe.

ROCHESTER.—Messrs. Emerson and Whedon.

SACRAMENTO.—Messrs. Dakin and Barrett.

SOUTH CAROLINA.—Dr. Taylor.
The Secretary having declared that a constitutional majority of the Dioceses was represented, the House proceeded to the election of a President.


There being no further nominations, the Hon. J. Randolph Anderson, D.C.L., of Georgia, moved that the nominations be closed, and that the Secretary cast one ballot for the Rev. Dr.
Phillips. This motion was unanimously passed, and the Rev. Dr. Phillips was declared elected.

The Secretary appointed the Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio and Samuel F. Houston of Pennsylvania to escort the President to the Chair.

The President declared the next order of business to be the election of a Secretary. Dr. Anderson of Georgia nominated the Rev. Franklin J. Clark of Bethlehem. There being no further nominations the President declared him unanimously elected.

The Secretary announced the appointment of the Rev. Karl M. Block, D.D. of Missouri, the Rev. C. Rankin Barnes of Los Angeles and Mrs. J. S. Lally of Long Island, as assistant Secretaries.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 1. First Day of Session, October 6, 1937.

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: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

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 Report No. 1, as follows:

1. Committee to notify the House of Bishops that this House is organized:

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. ZeBarney T. Phillips, D.D., LL.D., S.T.D., as President, and the Rev. Franklin J. Clark as Secretary, and is now ready to proceed to business.

The President appointed as such committee the Very Rev. S. E. McGinley of Nebraska and Bradford B. Locke of New Jersey.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 1.]

Resolved, That until further ordered this House shall hold daily sessions, Sundays excepted, from 10 A.M., to 1 P.M., and from 3 P.M. to 5:30 P.M.; provided that there shall be no afternoon sessions on Saturdays, unless especially ordered.

3. On Sergeant at Arms, Messenger, etc.

Resolved, That the President appoint a Sergeant at Arms, a Messenger, a Doorkeeper and such assistants as may be needed to serve during this Convention.

The President appointed Mr. G. B. Straughn of Dallas as Sergeant at Arms.

The President announced the appointment of the following committees:

1. Committee on Canons.

    | Prov. | Clerical          | Lay                           |
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    | 4.    | Rev. William S. Slack, | Mr. William G. Peterkin,       |
          | Louisiana.        | West Virginia.                |
    | 7.    | Rev. Claude A. Beesly, | Judge Henry D. Harlan,         |
          | Dallas.           | Maryland.                     |
    | 4.    | Rev. James R. Sharp,  | Mr. Alexander B. Andrews,      |
    | 2.    | Rev. Dr. F. S. Fleming, | Judge Origen S. Seymour,      |
    | 5.    | Rev. Dr. E. J. Randall, | Judge Philip S. Parker,        |
          | Chicago.          | Massachusetts.                |
          |                   | 5. Charles M. Morris, L.L.D.,  |
          |                   | Milwaukee.                    |
          |                   | 8. Mr. Merton A. Albee,       |
          |                   | Los Angeles.                  |
          |                   | 6. Mr. James H. Pershing,     |
          |                   | Colorado.                     |

2. Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

    | Prov. | Clerical          | Lay                           |
    |-------|-------------------|-------------------------------|
    | 2.    | Ven. Guy H. Purdy,  | Mr. Joseph H. Beale,           |
          | Albany.           | Massachusetts.                |
    | 8.    | Ven. Dr. W. R. H. Hodgkins, | Col. James Mann,             |
          | California.       | Southern Virginia.            |
    | 6.    | Rev. Dr. A. E. Knickerbocker, | Judge George T. Cann,       |
          | Minnesota.        | Georgia.                      |
    | 5.    | Rev. Jerry Wallace,  | Mr. Edgar E. Pomeroy,         |
          | Springfield.      | Atlanta.                      |
          | Texas.            | New Jersey.                   |
          |                   | 5. Mr. William W. Hammond,   |
          |                   | Indianapolis.                 |
          |                   | 1. Mr. Charles B. Clarke,     |
          |                   | Maine.                        |
          |                   | 5. Mr. Joseph T. Ryerson,     |
          |                   | Chicago.                      |
3. Committee on Elections.

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The Secretary reported that he had complied with the provisions of Canon 49, Section I (iv) in sending to every Diocese and Missionary District the proposed amendments to the Constitution, and presented registered receipts.

The Secretary presented evidence that the provisions of Canon 50, Section II had been complied with, and presented reports from every Diocese and every Missionary Jurisdiction except one.

A resolution was offered by Dr. Grafton Burke of Alaska asking that a cross be placed upon the stage.

The House stood adjourned.
The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the first day's session were read and approved.

The following deputies not before present, appeared and took their seats: Dean Frank Hoag of Eau Claire, Dean S. E. Sweet of Missouri and Messrs. Johnson of Alabama, King of Duluth, Rodgers of East Carolina, Hungarland of Kentucky, and Howard of West Missouri.

The President announced the appointment of the following committees:

1. Committee on Christian Education.

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3. Committee on the Consecration of Bishops.

Prov. Clerical
1. Rev. William E. Patterson, Maine.
2. Prof. Henry N. Ogden, Central New York.
8. Mr. S. G. Moon, Idaho.
6. Very Rev. S. E. McGinley, Nebraska.

4. Committee on Despatch of Business.

Prov. Lay
6. Mr. G. A. N. King, Minnesota.
2. Prof. Henry N. Ogden, Central New York.
7. Mr. Crawford Noble, Arkansas.
8. Mr. E. F. Woodman, New Hampshire.
4. Committee on Despatch of Business.

Prov. Lay
6. Mr. G. A. N. King, Minnesota.
2. Prof. Henry N. Ogden, Central New York.
7. Mr. Crawford Noble, Arkansas.
8. Mr. E. F. Woodman, New Hampshire.

5. Committee on Expenses.

Prov. Clerical
4. Mr. Sidney G. Gray, South Florida.
6. Mr. M. C. Lightner, Minnesota.

Prov. Lay
8. Mr. Casebolt Dukin, Sacramento.
5. Mr. Ralph W. Hollenbeck, Southern Ohio.
6. Mr. Glen D. Whitcomb, Nebraska.
3. Mr. R. P. Hutchinson, Bethlehem.
7. Mr. J. Cooke Wilson, Texas.
1. Mr. Lewis D. Learned, Rhode Island.
2. Mr. Frank Gulden, Long Island.
2. Mr. John S. Conover, Albany.
Mr. M. P. Walker, Shanghai, China.
6. Committee on the General Theological Seminary.

**Prov. Clerical**
2. Rev. Dr. Mark Rifenbark, *California.*
4. Rev. Dr. D. C. Wright, *Georgia.*

**Prov. Lay**
5. Mr. William G. Mather, *Ohio.*
6. Mr. A. W. King, *Duluth.*
2. Prof. Henry N. Ogden, *Central New York.*

7. Committee on Memorial to Deceased Members.

**Prov. Clerical**

**Prov. Lay**
3. Mr. Frank B. Mallett, *Erie.*
5. Mr. William L. Balthis, *Western North Carolina.*
7. Mr. Walter Godart, *Boston.*
8. Mr. Samuel F. Houston, *Pennsylvania.*

8. Committee on Missions.

**Prov. Clerical**

**Prov. Lay**
7. Mr. Walter Godart, *West Texas.*
   **Prov. Clerical**
   2. Rev. Dr. Charles L. Gomph, *Newark.*
   3. Rev. Dr. Beverly D. Tucker, Jr., *Virginia.*
   5. Rev. Albert J. Dubois, Jr., *Fond du Lac.*

   **Prov. Lay**
   3. Mr. Rosewell Page, *Virginia.*
   6. Mr. Sterling S. Mutz, *Nebraska.*
   1. Mr. John Nicholas Brown, *Rhode Island.*

10. Committee on Rural Work.
   **Prov. Clerical**

   **Prov. Lay**
   4. Mr. H. M. Heckman, *Atlanta.*
   7. Mr. Thomas R. Smith, *North Texas.*

11. Committee on Rules of Order.
   **Prov. Clerical**
   1. Rev. Dr. John N. Lewis, *Connecticut.*
   2. Rev. Dr. John J. Gravatt, *Southwestern Virginia.*
   4. Rev. Dr. R. S. Coupland, *Louisiana.*

   **Prov. Lay**
   1. Judge Philip S. Parker, *Massachusetts.*
   3. Mr. Rosewell Page, *Virginia.*

12. Committee on Social Service.
   **Prov. Clerical**
   1. Rev. Dr. John J. Gravatt, *Southwestern Virginia.*

   **Prov. Lay**
   8. Mr. W. A. Monten, *Los Angeles.*
   7. Mr. J. E. Reinburg, *New Mexico and Southwest Texas.*
   3. Mr. Reed A. Morgan, *Pennsylvania.*
   7. Mr. Benjamin C. Howard, *West Missouri.*
   5. Mr. Frank E. Brandt, *Quincy.*
   7. Dr. John M. Trible, *Texas.*
13. Committee on the State of the Church.

Prov. Clerical
2. Rev. S. W. Hale, Western New York.

Prov. Lay
7. Rev. Dr. F. W. Clayton, Nebraska.

Rev. Dr. E. J. Lee, Anking, China.
8. Rev. Dr. F. W. Oagty, Nebraska.
4. Rev. Custis Fletcher, Kentucky.

14. Committee on Unfinished Business.

Prov. Clerical
1. Rev. S. W. Hale, Western New York.

Prov. Lay
6. Rev. Dr. F. W. Clayton, Nebraska.
8. Rev. Dr. E. J. Lee, Anking, China.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Dispatch of Business presented the following Report No. 2 which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Order of Business for today’s morning session following after this report shall be as follows:

2. Resolution giving consent to Massachusetts to elect a Suffragan Bishop.
5. Call of Dioceses for Motions and Resolutions by members of Deputation.
6. Amendments to Constitution:
   a. Amendment to Article II, Sec. 4.
   b. Amendment to Article VI, Sec. 2.
   c. Amendment to Article I, Sec. 3.
   d. Amendment to Article X, Second Sentence.
   e. Amendment to Article XI.
7. Reports from Joint Commissions and Joint Committees.

The Treasurer raised the question as to the payment upon the assessments for the Presiding Bishop's salary by native clergy of autonomous Dioceses in China and Japan who had no standing in our Church and who were ineligible for the Church Pension Fund, and requested permission to return the amount of the assessments that had been paid by these autonomous Dioceses on behalf of said clergy.

By unanimous vote permission for such refund was granted.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers of Western North Carolina presented on the second day the following resolution with reference to report forms for Diocesan Financial Officers:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a standard form of annual report, similar to the required reports for Parishes, be authorized and its use required in making reports of Trust Funds, Endowments, Legacies, etc., by the Trustees of Dioceses and other Trust Officers.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Secretary presented resolution of the Social Service Commission of the Second Province on full time Executive for the Department of Christian Social Service which was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

The Rev. Dr. Gravatt of Southwestern Virginia, presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Social Service, dealing with the resolution from the Social Service Commission of the Second Province urging a full time Executive Secretary for the Department of Christian Social Service in the National Council, as follows:

The resolution respectfully petitioning the General Convention to provide without further delay a full time executive for Christian Social Service to the end that the Church may no longer suffer from the lack of full time leadership in this essential department of her work. As the above has been adopted in the House of Bishops and approved in this
House, the committee begs to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

Inasmuch as such an appointment was made by the National Council at its meeting just prior to General Convention, the committee asked to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The report was adopted.

The House stood adjourned.

THIRD DAY’S PROCEEDINGS

Convention Hall, Cincinnati, Ohio,
Friday, October 8, 1937.

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:

Mr. Harrold of Atlanta; Rev. Mr. Miller and Mr. Monten of Los Angeles; Dr. Little of Maine; Mr. Young of Newark; Judge Pearse and Mr. Locke of New Jersey; Dean Lane of Arizona; Mr. Cooper of the Philippine Islands; and the Rev. Dr. Lee of Anking.

The President announced the appointment on the Standing Committees of the House of the following deputies to take the place of deputies previously appointed but not attending the Convention:

1. Committee on Amendments to Constitution:
   Mr. Charles B. Clark of Maine, in place of Dr. Kenneth C. M. Sills of Maine.

2. Committee on Christian Education:
   Mr. Charles L. Behm of Central New York, in place of President W. A. Eddy of Rochester: John Millis, Ph.D. of Fond du Lac, in place of Professor L. M. Driver of Southern Brazil.

3. Committee on Church Pension Fund.
   Mr. J. T. Spencer of Montana, in place of Mr. Lyman H. Bennett of Montana; Mr. C. D. Blake of Missouri, in place of Mr. Ethan A. H. Shepley of Missouri; Mr. Stanley V. Wood of Bethlehem, in place of Mr. Edward Warren of Bethlehem.

4. Committee on Consecration of Bishops.
   Mr. G. A. N. King of Minnesota, in place of Mr. F. W. Paine of Duluth; Professor Henry N. Ogden of Central New York, in place of Dr. Paul M. Paine of Central New York.
5. Committee on Despatch of Business.
   Mr. W. G. Peterkin of West Virginia, in place of Mr. Murray M. McGuire of Virginia.

6. Committee on Admission of New Dioceses.
   Mr. Francis P. Starr of Iowa, in place of Mr. E. G. Moon of Iowa.

7. Committee on Elections.
   Rev. R. H. Jackson of South Carolina, in place of Rev. William Way of South Carolina; Rev. Duncan M. Gray of Mississippi, in place of the Rev. W. B. Capers of Mississippi; Mr. Lesley McCrea of Harrisburg, in place of Mr. Ralph L. Motz of Arizona.

8. Committee on Expenses.
   Mr. Casebolt Dakin of Sacramento, in place of Mr. Frank H. Denman of Sacramento; Mr. Glen D. Whitcomb of Nebraska, in place of the Honorable H. L. Blackledge of Western Nebraska.

9. Committee on General Theological Seminary.
   Mr. A. W. King of Duluth, in place of Mr. Paul F. Good of Nebraska.

10. Committee on Memorials to Deceased Members.
    Rev. R. R. Claiborne, Jr., of Atlanta, in place of the Rev. J. M. Walker of Atlanta; Mr. Hubert W. Congdon of Vermont, in place of Mr. Oscar A. Rixford of Vermont; Mr. Herman Burr Leonard of Arizona, in place of Mr. Harold C. Whitehouse of Spokane.

11. Committee on Missions.
    Mr. Walter Godart of West Texas, in place of Mr. Albert Steves, Jr., of West Texas.

    Mr. William Redfield of Olympia, in place of Mr. Ivan L. Hyland of Olympia.

13. Committee on Rural Work.
    The Very Rev. F. S. Patterson of Western New York, in place of the Rev. Dr. Val. H. Sessions of Mississippi; Mr. W. C. Douglass of Northern Michigan, in place of Mr. C. H. McBean of Northern Michigan.

14. Committee on Rules of Order.
    Mr. Rosewell Page of Virginia, in place of Mr. William G. Peterkin of West Virginia; and, the addition of Mr. Clifford P. Morehouse of Milwaukee.

15. Committee on the State of the Church.
    The Rev. A. W. Farlander of Sacramento, in place of the Rev. Mortimer Chester of Sacramento; Mr. Lewis E. Davison of New Hampshire, in place of the Honorable John R. Spring of New Hampshire; Mr. Isaac P. Whitter of Fond du Lac, in place of Mr. H. W. Whielfield of Fond du Lac; Dr. Francis C. M. Wei of Hankow, in place of Mr. Dean Vincent of Oregon.

16. Committee on Unfinished Business.
    Mr. Lowell C. Paget of Oregon, in place of Mr. A. D. Hay of Eastern Oregon; Mr. William Redfield of Olympia, in place of Major J. O. Hoskins of San Joaquin.
Dr. Anderson, of the Committee on Dispatch of Business, presented Report No. 3, and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Order of Business following this report shall be reports of Standing Committees of the House.

Judge Origen S. Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Canons, stating that the committee had organized by the election of Origen S. Seymour of Connecticut as Chairman, and William G. Peterkin of West Virginia as Secretary.

Mr. Joseph H. Beale of Massachusetts presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, stating that the committee had organized by the election of Joseph H. Beale of Massachusetts as Chairman, and the Rev. A. E. Knickerbocker, D.D. of Minnesota, as Secretary.

The Rev. F. P. Henstridge of Central New York presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Admission of New Dioceses, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Rev. F. T. Henstridge of Central New York as Chairman, and the Rev. Newton Middleton of Florida as Secretary.

The Rev. A. Vincent Bennett, D.D. of Western Massachusetts presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Elections, as follows:

The Committee on Elections was organized by the election of the Rev. A. Vincent Bennett as chairman and by the election of Rev. Carleton Barnwell as Secretary, and that it has appointed an Executive Committee, consisting of the Chairman, the Secretary and Mr. Lesley McCraeth, to act upon Certificates of Election or Appointment that require only pro forma action.

It is requested that any changes or substitution in representation of any diocese or Missionary District, be certified to the Secretary of the House.

The Committee reports that the following are entitled to serve in this Convention: Mr. A. R. Melander of the Diocese of Duluth in place of Mr. F. W. Paine; the Rev. M. W. Lockhart, D. D. of the Diocese of Florida in place of the Rev. John C. Turner; Mr. Edward S. Hungarland of the Diocese of Kentucky, in place of Mr. Henry S. Gray; Mr. Arthur B. Lisle of Rhode Island in place of Mr. John Nicholas Brown; Mr. O. A. James of the Diocese of Springfield in place of Mr. Ernest Wilson; Mr. Blake T. Newton of the Diocese of Virginia in place of Mr. Murray H. McGuire; Mr. Alfred Barthberger of the Diocese of West Texas in place of Mr. Albert Steves, Jr.

The Committee begs to report further that Certificates of Election or Appointment have been received from all of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts, Domestic and Foreign Districts except Liberia.
Professor Henry N. Ogden of Central New York presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on General Theological Seminary, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Rev. William P. Niles of New Hampshire as Chairman, and Professor Henry N. Ogden of Central New York as Secretary.

The Rev. Beverley D. Tucker, Jr., D.D. of Virginia presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Prayer Book, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia as Chairman, and Mr. Clifford P. Morehouse of Milwaukee as Secretary.


The House stood adjourned.

FOURTH DAY

CONVENTION HALL, CINCINNATI, OHIO,
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1937.

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:


Dr. Anderson, of the Committee on Despatch of Business, presented Report No. 4, and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the order of business for today, following after this Report shall be as follows:

1. Messages from House of Bishops.
2. Reports of Standing Committees, in their order.
3. Reports of Joint Commissions and Joint Committees.
4. Allowance of 10 minutes to Canon Charles T. Bridgeman in re The Church in Jerusalem.
5. Report on Admission of New Diocese of Oklahoma.
9. Amendment to Article 2, Sec. 4, of Constitution.
10. Amendment to Article VI, Sec. 2 of Constitution.
16. Motions and Resolutions.

The Secretary read a telegram from Y. Y. Tsu of Shanghai, conveying the greetings of the Chinese Church to the General Convention and asking the Prayers of the Church in this time of China's emergency.

The Rev. Dr. Bennett of Western Massachusetts presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Elections, as follows: The Committee reports that the following are entitled to serve in this Convention: Mr. Edward B. Harrold of Atlanta, in place of Mr. J. D. Crump; Mr. J. Kennedy Craig of Tennessee in place of Judge Charles N. Burch; the Rev. John E. Flockhart of Iowa, in place of the Very Rev. R. F. Philbrook.

The Rev. Stanley C. Hughes, D.D. of Rhode Island presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on the Church Pension Fund, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Rev. Stanley C. Hughes, D.D., of Rhode Island as Chairman, and the Rev. Homer A. Flint, Ph.D. of Pittsburgh as Secretary.

The Secretary presented for information the receipt of a letter from the Secretary of the House of Bishops dated October 19, 1936, stating that at a special meeting the House of Bishops had asked the Bishop of Shanghai to withhold his resignation until the General Convention of 1937.

For the information of the House the Secretary announced that since June 2d, 1937, the name of the Diocese of Marquette had been changed to the Diocese of Northern Michigan.

The Rev. Harold L. Bowen, D.D., of Chicago, presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Expenses, stating that the committee had organized by the election of Mr. Frank Gulden of Long Island as Chairman, Mr. M. C. Lightner of Minnesota as
Vice-Chairman, and Mr. Lewis D. Learned of Rhode Island as Secretary.

The Venerable W. F. Bulkley of Utah presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Missions, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Rev. James B. Lawrence of Georgia as Chairman, and the Rev. W. F. Bulkley of Utah as Secretary.


The Rev. A. Rufus Morgan of Upper South Carolina presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Social Service, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Rev. John J. Gravatt, D.D., of Southwestern Virginia as Chairman, and the Rev. A. Rufus Morgan of Upper South Carolina as Secretary.

The Rev. H. A. Stowell of Arkansas presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Memorials to Deceased Members, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Rev. H. A. Stowell of Arkansas as Chairman, and the Rev. E. J. Haughton of Springfield as Secretary.

Mr. Samuel Thorne of New York presented on the fourth day the following resolution in regard to the Prayer of Consecration:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that the following note be added at the foot of the page at the end of the Prayer of Consecration in the Communion Office as the same now appears in the Book of Common Prayer:

Note—The words of the second sentence above, beginning with “And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord ourselves” etc. to the close of the paragraph, may be said by the People after the Minister.

This was referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the seventh day presented Report No. 11 of the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Committee has considered the above resolution, offered by Mr. Samuel Thorne of New York, and referred to this Committee.

We recommend that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of this resolution.
The report was adopted.

By invitation of the House, the Rev. C. T. Bridgeman, American Educational Chaplain in Jerusalem and Canon of St. George's Cathedral in Jerusalem, addressed the House on the work of the Anglican Communion in Palestine, and expressed the thanks of the Bishop in Jerusalem for the generous Good Friday Offerings of the Church.

The House stood adjourned.

FIFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

CONVENTION HALL, CINCINNATI, OHIO,

MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 1937.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the fourth day's session were read and approved.

The following deputies not before present, appeared and took their seats:


The President announced the appointment of Mr. H. M. Heckman of Atlanta in place of Mr. Dudley G. Roe of Easton on the Committee on Rural Work.

The President announced the appointment of John M. Tribble, M.D. of Texas as an additional member of the Committee on Social Service.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business, presented Report No. 4, and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, that the order of Business for today following after this report shall be as follows and shall be governed by the special provision herein set out:

1. Messages from House of Bishops.
2. Reports of Standing Committees in their order.
3. Reports of Joint Committees and Commissions.
5. Motions and Resolutions, etc.
8. Amendment to Article VI. Sec. 2 of Constitution.
   Individual Speeches to be limited to 5 minutes each, except that the Chairman of the Committee shall have 3 minutes to present the matter and 5 minutes to close the debate.

The House having directed that this matter shall be considered by the House under the provisions of Rule 25, without reference to any Standing Committee it is ordered that the same is hereby set as a Special and Continuing order under the following special rules and provisions, viz; Three Hours, if needed shall be allowed for the debate, which may be extended by a majority vote, and at the end of that time the previous question shall be considered called and the vote shall be taken on all proposed amendments and on the marriage question. Speeches shall be limited to 5 minutes to present the matter and 10 minutes in closing the debate. No motion to lay on the table shall be permitted on any matter during the debate; and no motion of reference to any Committees shall be received, except that after the final vote the matter adopted may be referred to the Committee on Canons with instructions to confine their action thereon to the drafting of a Canon strictly in accordance with the action taken by the House in this matter, and to report the same back to the House as promptly as practicable.

Mr. Seymour of Connecticut presented the following resolution of sympathy to the Rev. Dr. William D. Maxon, which was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That this House has heard with profound regret of the illness of the Rev. Dr. William D. Maxon, for so many General Conventions the honored Chairman of its Committee on Canons, and the House extends to Dr. Maxon its sincerest sympathy in his illness, and assures him of its heartfelt prayers that he may be restored to health and long spared for continued service to the Church and to his Lord and Master.

The Rev. Dr. Bennett of Western Massachusetts presented Report No. 3 of the Committee on Elections, as follows:


Professor Ogden of Central New York, presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Consecration of Bishops, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Very Rev. John W. Day of Kansas as Chairman, the Very Rev. Claude W.
Sprouse of West Missouri as Vice-Chairman, and Professor Henry N. Ogden of Central New York as Secretary.

The Venerable H. W. Foreman, D.D. of Erie, presented Report No. 1 of the Committee on Rural Work, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Venerable H. W. Foreman, D.D. as Secretary.

The Rev. Wilmer S. Poynor of South Carolina presented the following resolution conveying the greetings of this House to Dr. Larkin W. Glazebrook, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies express its sympathy to Dr. Larkin W. Glazebrook in his illness, and wish for him a speedy recovery.

And express appreciation and thanks for his splendid service as Lay Evangelist, serving under the Commission on Evangelism of the National Council.

The President announced the following modification in committee appointments:

Mr. Henry Adsit Bull of Western New York on the Committee on the State of the Church, in place of Mr. Isaac T. Witter of Fond du Lac.

The House stood adjourned.

SIXTH DAY’S PROCEEDINGS

CONVENTION HALL, CINCINNATI, OHIO,

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1937.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the fifth day’s session were read and approved.

The following deputies not before present, appeared and took their seats:

Rev. Dr. Robert Rogers of Long Island, The Rev. Messrs. Lewis N. Taylor of Upper South Carolina, Samuel O. Capers of West Texas and Mr. H. M. Heckman of Atlanta.

Dr. Anderson, of the Committee on Despatch and Business, presented Report No. 6 and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the order of business for today following after this report shall be as follows, and shall be governed by the special provisions herein set out:
1. Messages from the House of Bishops.
2. Reports of Standing Committees in their order.
3. Reports of Joint Commissions and Committees.
4. Continuation of special order of Fifth Day on Marriage and Divorce; under same restrictions as heretofore fixed.
5. Motions and Resolutions.
6. Allowance of ten minutes for report of Joint Commission on Church Flag, etc.
7. Amendment to Article VI, Section 2 of Constitution.
8. Report of Committee on Budget and Program.
10. Institute Singers at 5 p. m.

The Rev. Dr. Bennett of Western Massachusetts presented Report No. 4 of the Committee on Elections:

The Committee reports that the following are entitled to serve in this Convention: Rev. John H. Schwacke of New Jersey, in place of Rev. John Crocker; Rev. Roy H. Fairchild of West Missouri, in place of Rev. Richard M. Trelease; Mr. Frank J. Pope of Western Massachusetts, in place of William C. Hart.

The Rev. Dr. Sparling of Lexington presented on the sixth day Report No. 1 of the Committee on Unfinished Business, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Rev. Dr. Sparling of Lexington as Chairman, and Mr. C. M. Hathaway of Springfield as Secretary.

The House stood adjourned.

SEVENTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

Convention Hall, Cincinnati, Ohio,

Wednesday, October 13, 1937.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the sixth day's session were read and approved, with corrections.

The following deputies not before present, appeared and took their seats:


Dr. Anderson, of the Committee on Despatch and Business, presented Report No. 7, and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:
Resolved. That the order of business for today, following after this report shall be as follows, and shall be governed by the special provisions herein set out:

1. Messages Nos. 21, 22, 23, 24, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, from the House of Bishops.
2. Reports of Standing Committees in their order:
3. Reports of Special Committees.
4. Ten minutes to be allowed the representative of American Bible Society.
5. Motions and Resolutions.
6. Preliminary Report of Joint Committee on Budget and Program.
8. Resolutions from Joint Commission on Approaches to Unity.
10. Amendment to Article VI, Section 2 of Constitution.
11. (Calendar No. 8) Report of Commission creating a Court of Appeal for Presbyters. No motion to lay on table or to refer or to recommit shall be permitted. Individual speakers to be limited to three (3) minutes and general debate to one (1) hour.
13. Report of General Theological Seminary—ten (10) minutes to be allowed Dean Fosbroke.
17. Institute Singers at 5:15 p. m.

The Rev. Dr. Bennett of Western Massachusetts presented Report No. 5 of the Committee on Elections:


The Rev. Dr. Mitchell of Alabama presented the following resolution with regard to the pageant, "The Glory of the Light", which was adopted:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies hereby records its hearty appreciation and its debt of gratitude to those who conceived, prepared, directed and participated in the pageant, "The Glory of the Light" which was given on Sunday, October 10th, for the benefit and inspiration of the members of this Convention and its visitors.

Further Resolved, That the Secretary of the House be requested to convey this expression of gratitude and appreciation to those responsible for producing the pageant.
The Rev. Dr. Diller of Bethlehem presented the following resolution with regard to advanced printing and circulation of resolutions, memorials and petitions:

WHEREAS, the presentation of resolutions, memorials and petitions to the House of Deputies consumes such a large amount of time that the discussion of many matters of great importance in the work of the Church is necessarily extremely limited; and

WHEREAS, the present method of handling resolutions unduly lengthens the meeting of the Convention and necessitates many deputies leaving prior to the end of the Convention; and

WHEREAS, this causes considerable expense to the Deputies who remain until the end of the Convention, we, the Deputies, Clerical and Lay, of the Diocese of Bethlehem, propose the following rules, relating to the despatch of business prior to and at future conventions, be adopted by this House, namely:

1. That all resolutions, memorials and petitions be placed in writing in the hands of the Secretary of the House not later than sixty days prior to the opening of the next convention.

2. That the Secretary, with the advice of the President of the House, forward each resolution, memorial and petition, to the Chairman of the Committee to which the resolution should be referred.

3. That the Secretary of the House be authorized to have summarized in printed or mimeographed form all said resolutions, memorials and petitions and distribute them by mail to the Deputies before the opening day of the Convention.

4. That the Chairmen of all Committees at this Convention be continued until the meeting for organization at the next Convention.

5. That in the case of a Chairman being unable to so continue, the President of the House appoint a Chairman to serve until the Committee meets for organization at the next Convention.

6. That action on the printed or mimeographed resolutions, memorials and petitions be taken prior to the presentation of any other resolutions, memorials or petitions from the floor, EXCEPT with the permission of the President of the House.

This was referred to the Committee on Rules of Order.

Dr. Anderson of Georgia on the twelfth day presented the following report of the Committee on Rules of Order:

Your Committee on Rules of Order have considered the resolutions presented by the Deputation from the Diocese of Bethlehem proposing a plan for having all the business of the General Convention cut and dried in advance of its meeting in the manner set out in the resolutions.

Your Committee is unable to accept as correct the alleged facts stated in the various recitals in the preamble to the resolutions, and in the judgment of your Committee the plan proposed is neither suitable nor practicable for a great parliamentary body like the General Convention of our Church. To attempt to put the plan into practice would require a radical revision of the Rules of Order of the House of Bishops as well as of this House.
Your Committee, therefore, disapproves the resolutions and recommends that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

This was adopted.

The Right Rev. Paul J. Sasaki, Bishop of Mid-Japan, was invited to address the House. The House rose to greet him. Bishop Sasaki paid high tribute to the strong foundations of Church work in Japan, laid by Bishop Williams and Bishop McKim. He stressed the importance of the contribution which the Church in this country had made to the Church in Japan by the building of churches, schools and hospitals.

The House stood adjourned.

EIGHTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

CONVENTION HALL, CINCINNATI, OHIO,

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 1937.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the seventh day's session were read and approved.

The following deputies not before present appeared and took their seats:


Dr. Anderson on the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That there shall be a regular session of this House on the afternoon of Saturday, October 16th.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented Report No. 8, and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Order of Business today, following after this report shall be as follows, and shall be governed by the special provisions herein set out:

1. The following Messages from the House of Bishops, viz.: Nos. 42, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60 and 61.
2. Reports of Standing Committees, in their order.
3. Reports of Special Committees.
4. Continuation of Amendment to Article VI., Section 2., of Constitution; under Special Rules as follows: no motion to lay on table, or to refer or to recommit shall be permitted. Individual speeches to be limited to three (3) minutes each and general debate to be limited to thirty (30) minutes. Chairman of committee to be allowed five (5) minutes to close debate.
5. Calendar No. 8. Report of Commission creating a Court of Appeals for Presbyters—To be handled under same special rule as item (4) above.
6. Motions and Resolutions.
8. Report of Committee to nominate Trustees, Church Pension Fund and Election of the Trustees.
10. Report of Commission on Theological Education.
12. Report of Joint Committee on Army and Navy Chaplains.
13. Business on the Calendar, as called up by Chairman of Committee on Despatch of Business.

The Rev. Dr. Bennett of Western Massachusetts presented Report No. 6 of the Committee on Elections:

The Committee reports that the following are entitled to serve in this Convention: Mr. Angus Hibbard of the Diocese of Chicago in place of Mr. Joseph T. Ryerson; The Very Rev. Chester E. Emerson, D.D., of the Diocese of Ohio, in the place of The Rev. Walter R. Breed, D.D.; Mr. Edmund S. Hellings of the Diocese of Delaware in place of Walter Hullihen, LL.D.; Mr. Thomas A. Scott, of the Diocese of S. W. Virginia, in place of Mr. William B. Dew; Mr. Henry S. Gray of the Diocese of Kentucky, in place of Mr. Edward S. Hungarland; The Rev. Clifford Nobes of The Missionary District Philippine Islands in place of The Rev. Leo G. McAfee; Mr. W. Heber Wall of the Diocese of Rochester in place of Mr. Paul E. Emerson; Dr. Kenneth C. M. Sills of the Diocese of Maine, in place of Mr. William E. Sherman.

The House stood adjourned.

NINTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

CONVENTION HALL, CINCINNATI, OHIO,

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1937.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the eighth day's session were read and approved.

The following deputies not before present appeared and took their seats:

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented Report No. 9, and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the order of business today, following after this report shall be as follows, and shall be governed by the special provisions herein set out:

1. Reports of Standing Committees in their order.
2. Reports of Special Committees.
3. Calendar No. 8—Report of Commission to Consider Canon for Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Presbyters, and Deacons, with a view of clarifying and simplifying the same.
4. Motions and Resolutions.
5. Report of Standing Committee on Christian Education.
7. Calendar No. 3—Report of Joint Commission to Consider and Evaluate the Activities of the National Council.
8. Calendar No. 5—Report of Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop.
9. Messages from the House of Bishops may be called up by him at any time when House not otherwise engaged.

The Rev. Dr. Bennett of Western Massachusetts presented Report No. 7 of the Committee on Elections:

The Committee reports that the following are entitled to serve in this Convention: Mr. Henry T. Stetson of Newark, in the place of Mr. Arthur P. Green; Mr. Charles J. O'Connor of Los Angeles, in place of Mr. Merton A. Albee; Col. E. V. Selden of Erie, in place of Mr. Frank Mallett; Rev. Virgil P. Stewart of Northern Indiana, in place of Rev. Edward E. Hoffenbacher; Mr. John W. Ford of Ohio, in place of Mr. William G. Mather; Rev. Francis S. Pryor III, Missionary District Western Nebraska, in place of the Very Rev. Francis R. Lee.

The Rev. Mr. Stowell of Arkansas presented an informal report on behalf of the Committee on Memorials to Deceased Members.

The Rev. H. D. Bull of South Carolina presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Rural Work, stating that the Committee had completed its organization by electing the Rev. H. D. Bull of South Carolina as Chairman.

The Chair appointed the following as Sergeants at Arms: Mr. Stephen E. Burroughs of North Carolina, Mr. S. E. Elmore of Western North Carolina, Mr. M. O. Nace of South Florida, Mr. W. E. Tylander of South Florida.
Dean Lane of Arizona presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House having heard of the serious illness of Canon B. R. Cocks of Phoenix, Arizona, a member of this House in 1934, and from time to time a member previously, hereby requests the Secretary to send a message of greeting and good will to Canon Cocks and its hope for his restoration of health.

This was adopted by a rising vote.

The Rev. Dr. Bennett of Western Massachusetts, presented Report No. 8 of the Committee on Elections:

The Committee reports that the following are entitled to serve in this Convention: Rev. William Byrd Lee of Alabama, in place of Rev. V. G. Lowery; Rev. Edward W. Averill, D.D., of Fond du Lac, in place of Rev. Albert J. Dubois, Jr.; Judge Charles N. Burch of Tennessee, in place of Mr. J. Kennedy Craig; Mr. Hobart T. Steele of North Carolina, in place of Mr. Kemp D. Battle; Rev. Raymond M. Gunn of Springfield, in place of Rev. Jerry Wallace; Rev. P. G. M. Austin of Los Angeles in place of Rev. Edwin T. Lewis; Rev. R. H. Fairchild of West Missouri, in place of Rev. Charles Tyner.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business moved the rescinding of his resolution of the previous day calling for a session of the House on the afternoon of Saturday, October 16th.

This motion was passed.

The Secretary presented the following resolution adopted at a Convocation of the Clergy of the Missionary District of Arizona on a separate bureau of "Missionary Education":

Resolved, That this Conference memorialize the National Council to set up a separate bureau of "Missionary Education" and appoint a special secretary to administer it.

This was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland presented Report No. 4 of the Committee on Christian Education, dealing with the Memorial from the Convocation of the Missionary District of Arizona, requesting that the National Council set up a separate Bureau of Missionary Education:

Your Committee has considered the memorial to the National Council sent up by the convocation of the clergy of the missionary district of Arizona, requesting that Council to set up a separate Bureau of Missionary Education and appoint a special secretary to administer it, suggests that this memorial be referred to the National Council to whom it is addressed, and asks to be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

The report was adopted.

The House stood adjourned.
TENTH DAY’S PROCEEDINGS

Convention Hall, Cincinnati, Ohio,

Saturday, October 16, 1937.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the Ninth Day’s session were read and approved.

The following Deputy not before present, appeared and took his seat:

Rev. Henry S. Selcer of Texas.

Mr. Peterkin of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented Report No. 10, which was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That the order of business for today following after this report shall be as follows, and shall be governed by the special provisions herein set out:

1. Messages from the House of Bishops.
2. Calendar No. 29—Resolution asking Woman’s Auxiliary to appoint a committee to consider question of marriage and divorce.
3. Reports of Standing Committees in their order.
4. Reports of Special Committees.
5. Reports of Joint Commissions and Committees.
6. Motions and resolutions.
7. Business on the Calendar, as called up by the Chairman of Committee on Despatch of Business.
8. Messages from House of Bishops may be called up by him at any time when convenient.

The Rev. Dr. Bennett of Western Massachusetts, presented Report No. 9 of the Committee on Elections:

The Committee reports that the following are entitled to serve in this Convention: Rev. William W. Daup of Springfield, in place of Rev. Edward Haughton; Rev. Henry S. Selcer of Texas, in place of Rev. Everett H. Jones; Rev. F. Bland Tucker of Washington, in place of Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D.

The House stood adjourned.

ELEVENTH DAY’S PROCEEDINGS

Convention Hall, Cincinnati, Ohio,

Monday, October 18, 1937.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the tenth day’s session were read and approved, with corrections.
The following deputies not before present appeared and took their seats:

Rev. James R. Helms of the Missionary District of Arizona; Rev. R. C. Moreno of the Missionary District of Cuba; Mr. Franklin S. Chambers of New Jersey, and Mr. William E. Pilcher of Kentucky.

Mr. Page of Virginia moved that the thanks of the House of Deputies be extended to its President, as follows:

Resolved, That the thanks of the House of Deputies are hereby tendered the Rev. Dr. Ze Barney T. Phillips, its President, for his patient, laborious, prompt and just conduct of its business; and the House hereby tenders him its best wishes for his health and happiness; and hopes that God may continue to bless him with His richest blessings.

He himself placed the motion, and it was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Page of Virginia moved that the House extend its thanks to the Honorable J. Randolph Anderson, D.C.L., as follows:

Resolved, That we tender to the Honorable J. Randolph Anderson, Chairman of the Committee on Dispatch of Business, the thanks of this House for the assistance rendered the President of the House in the execution of the Parliamentary Rules, and wish him all health and happiness in the coming years.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

Mr. Page of Virginia moved that the thanks of the House be extended to the people of the Diocese of Southern Ohio and all others who had helped to make such a great success of this Convention, as follows:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies tenders to the Bishop of this Diocese, the Clergy, Church people, and other citizens of Cincinnati and vicinity; to the press and Church papers; to the railroads, hotels, clubs, and other corporations and companies, to the Motor Corp and Boy Scouts, that have helped in the care and transportation and in promoting the interest and entertainment of the General Convention, its hearty thanks for the courtesy and consideration shown the members of, and visitors to the Convention while in their great City.

The resolution was adopted unanimously.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented Report No. 11, which was adopted as follows:

Resolved, That the order of Business for today following after this report shall be as follows and shall be governed by the special provisions herein set out:

1. Executive Session,
2. At eleven o'clock—Report of Committee on Budget and Program no motion to lay on table shall be permitted. After the report has been presented by the Committee, individual speeches shall be lim-
ited to five (5) minutes on any one section of the report. No person can speak more than twice during the debate except by unanimous consent of the House. The general debate shall be limited to two (2) hours unless an extension of the time is granted by majority vote. The Committee shall be allowed fifteen (15) minutes to close the debate.


4. Amendment to Article II. Section 4 of Constitution (so as to give vote to Suffragan Bishop).
   Individual speeches limited to three (3) minutes.
   General debate limited to thirty (30) minutes.

5. Report of Standing Committees in their order.

6. Reports of other committees, etc.

7. At 3 P. M. Service and Report of Committee on Memorials.

8. Business on the Calendar.

Judge Harlan of Maryland moved that the thanks of the House be extended to the Secretary, Assistant Secretaries and their aids, as follows:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be extended to the Secretary thereof, the Assistant Secretaries and their aids for the most efficient, courteous, intelligent and devoted service which they have each and all rendered to this House and its members.

The resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Bennett of Western Massachusetts presented report No. 10 of the Committee on Elections:

Rev. James R. Helms of Missionary District of Arizona, in place of Rev. Edwin S. Lane; Rev. R. C. Moreno of the Missionary District of Cuba, in place of the Rev. A. Hugo Blankingship; Mr. Franklin S. Chambers of New Jersey, in place of Mr. Clark McK. Whittemore; Mr. William E. Pilcher of Kentucky, in place of Mr. Henry S. Gray.

The Rev. Dr. Knickerbocker of Minnesota presented the following resolution with regard to circulation of the address of Mr. Seebohm Rowntree on "The Church and Industrial Relations."

Resolved, That the Department of Christian Social Service of the National Council be authorized to have printed and circulated as widely as possible the address of Mr. Seebohm Rowntree on "The Church and Industrial Relations" delivered at the Mass Meeting on October 15th, 1937.

This was adopted, and referred to the Committee on Expenses.
Mr. Gulden of Long Island presented Report No. 14 of the Committee on Expenses, dealing with the request for the printing of the address of Mr. Seebohm Rowntree on "The Church and Industrial Relations," as follows:

The Committee on Expenses has considered the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Knickerbocker of Minnesota regarding the printing and circulating of the address of Mr. Seebohm Rowntree on "The Church and Industrial Relations" delivered at the Mass Meeting on October 15th, and recommends that in view of the fact that the address was printed in full in all Church papers the newspapers and in pamphlets, that the committee considers the printing unnecessary, and recommends that it be discharged from further consideration in the matter.

The report was adopted.

Under the direction of the Rev. Mr. Stowell of Arkansas, a service was held to commemorate all former members of the House who had died since General Convention of 1934. The names of 62 clerical deputies and 46 lay deputies were commemorated.

[Appendix No. 10.]

The Rev. Mr. Merrill of West Missouri presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That for the information of the President of the House, the Secretaries of Dioceses and Missionary Districts be requested to accompany certifications of the elections of Deputies and Alternates, with such indications of their special interests, abilities and vocations as may be convenient.

This was adopted.

The House stood adjourned.

TWELFTH DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

CONVENTION HALL, CINCINNATI, OHIO,

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1937.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, the President in the Chair. Prayers were said. The Minutes of the eleventh day's session were read and approved.

The following deputies not before present appeared and took their seats:

The Rev. Carlton Barnwell of Southwestern Virginia presented Report No. 11 of the Committee on Elections:


Archdeacon Purdy of Albany on the twelfth day presented report No. 7 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, as follows:

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution respectfully report that they have appointed Col. James Mann of Southern Virginia and the Ven. W. R. H. Hodgkin as a committee to certify changes of the Constitution made at this Convention.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 42 of the Committee on Canons, stating that the Committee had appointed Canon Sharp and Judge Seymour to certify the changes made in the Canons at this session of the General Convention.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Sparling of Lexington presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Unfinished Business, as follows:

Upon investigation there is no unfinished business which would call for the consideration of this House.

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Despatch of Business presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has completed all the business on its Calendar, and is ready to adjourn, and requests the Bishops to advise us promptly if they have any further business to transmit for the consideration of the Deputies.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 193.]

The following message was received from the House of Bishops:
MESSAGE No. 198.

Twelfth Day of Session,

OCTOBER 19TH, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has completed its business and is now ready to adjourn.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

Dr. Anderson of Georgia moved that the House adjourn sine die.

The motion was adopted.

The House adjourned sine die.
JOINT SESSIONS OF THE HOUSE OF BISHOPS AND THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1937.

2:30 P. M.

For the purpose of receiving reports from the Conference on Life and Work held at Oxford, England, and the Conference on Faith and Order held at Edinburgh, Scotland, summer of 1937.

Bishop Perry in the Chair. After prayers, the Mayor of Cincinnati, gave a welcoming address followed by an address by the Bishop of Dornakal, India. Reports were then received from delegates to the Conference on Life and Work, the Bishop of Los Angeles, the Bishop of Albany and Mrs. Harper Sibly and from the delegates to the Conference on Faith and Order, the Bishop of Chicago, the Rev. Dr. H. C. Robbins and Mr. Clifford P. Morehouse.

The report of the Joint Commission on Faith and Order to the General Convention was presented as well as a report of the second World Conference on Faith and Order held in Edinburgh August 3-18th, 1937.

F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

JOINT SESSION

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 1937.

The Joint Session was called to order by the Presiding Bishop, Friday, October 8, 1937, at 11 A. M. The Presiding Bishop in the Chair. Opening Prayers were said by the Presiding Bishop.

The Presiding Bishop made an introductory address, and then introduced Lewis B. Franklin, D.C.L., Treasurer of the National Council, who presented the financial report for the National Council for the past triennium, presented the budget for the coming Triennium, and also submitted proposed revision of Canon 60 on the National Council.

The Right Rev. Philip Cook, D.D., President of the National Council, reviewed the work of the Council and its departments. He also referred to canonical changes proposed in the organiza-
tion of the National Council, and to the budget recommended for the coming triennium. He also presented report of the Council on emergency needs in China due to the conflict there.

On motion of Judge Seymour of Connecticut, the canonical changes necessary in the organization of the National Council and all resolutions relating thereto, were referred to the respective committees on Canons and Amendments to the Constitution of the two Houses.

Mr. Rosewell Page of Virginia stated that he thought it was essential that the report as made be ratified. He hoped that the budget as presented would be adopted, and that the Bishops and Deputies to General Convention would pledge themselves and their dioceses to support it.

The members of the two Houses and of the Woman's Auxiliary and the Officers and Members of the National Council were guests of the Diocese of Southern Ohio at luncheon at the Hotel Gibson.

After luncheon addresses were made by Mr. James H. Pershing of Colorado, Mr. M. P. Walker of Shanghai, Mrs. Woodward of St. Louis, representing the women of the Church. Mr. Walker referred to conditions in China and the need for an emergency fund.

Bishop Taitt of Pennsylvania, speaking of the report of the conditions in China, stated that Pennsylvania would assume $30,000 of the $300,000 needed for China relief.

Bishop Manning of New York stated that he was also in favor of China appeal, but that he could not pledge a definite amount. He stated that he would issue a special appeal for China, and with the help of the Woman's Auxiliary he felt confident he could raise a very substantial amount for this purpose.

Bishop Freeman of Washington protested against the proposed economies in the Budget for 1938.

Addresses were made by Bishop Darst of East Carolina, Bishop Reinheimer of Rochester, Mr. Robertson of Washington, Bishop Stewart of Chicago, Mr. Ervin of Pennsylvania and Miss Elizabeth Matthews of Southern Ohio.

The Joint Session stood adjourned.
TOPICAL ARRANGEMENT OF THE JOURNAL IN
ALPHABETICAL ORDER

American Bible Society

The Rev. Gilbert S. Darlington, Treasurer of the American Bible Society, was asked to address the House on the work of that organization on the seventh day. He gave a graphic description of the tremendous number of copies of the Holy Scripture circulated by the Society, and the geographical and linguistic diversity of the fields covered by this work.

He also presented the work of the Society in the House of Bishops on the sixth day.

The following message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 41. Sixth Day of Session, October 12th, 1937.

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

WHEREAS, Since the last meeting of the General Convention the American Bible Society has distributed over 22,000,000 copies of the Holy Scriptures in over 150 different languages and dialects; and

WHEREAS, The Society is constantly revising and adding to its editions and versions in many languages; and

WHEREAS, The Society is dependent upon gifts from churches and individuals so that it can sell its Scriptures below cost or at a price so low that no one is too poor to buy; and

WHEREAS, The Society makes outright gifts so far as its income permits to those who are unable to pay anything;

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That upon the invitation of the American Bible Society, the Presiding Bishop shall again appoint a representative of the Protestant Episcopal Church as a member of the Advisory Council of the American Bible Society to assist in the preparation of its annual budget.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Presiding Bishop appoint a Committee to co-operate with the American Bible Society in seeing that suitable recognition is given during 1938 to the Four Hundredth Anniversary of the First Reading of the Bible in English in a Church service.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the service of the American Bible Society in translating, publishing and circulating the Holy
Scriptures without note or comment in many languages and in many parts of the world be recognized as indispensable; and that the National Council be requested to make as generous an appropriation to the work of the American Bible Society during each year of the triennium.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House of Deputies concurred on the seventh day.

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

Architecture and the Allied Arts—Church—Report of Continuance of Joint Commission

The Secretary of the House of Deputies on the fifth day presented the report of the Joint Commission on Church Architecture and Allied Arts:

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 21) (See Appendix No. 4).

On motion of the Bishop of Michigan on the fifth day the Report of the Joint Commission on Church Architecture and Allied Arts was placed on the Calendar.

The Bishop of Michigan presented by title the Report of the Joint Commission on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts and the following resolution was adopted on the sixth day:

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

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

No. 21 being taken from the Calendar in the House of Deputies on the Eleventh Day being the report of the Joint Commission on Church Architecture and Allied Arts, it was read by the Secretary.

The report was received with the deletion of the final words: "with power to fill vacancies and to add to its numbers".

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Seventh Day:

MESSAGE No. 45.       Sixth Day of Session, OCTOBER 12TH, 1937.

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 Commis-
The Army and Navy Commission—Continued

Report of
Resident Chaplain Service to Veterans' Hospitals


This was placed on the Calendar (No. 2).

(See Appendix No. 2).

No. 2 being taken from the calendar, on the Fourth Day being the report of the Army and Navy Commission, was presented by the Very Rev. Henry B. Washburn, D.D. of Massachusetts.

This report was received and the resolution asking that the commission be continued was adopted with the deletion of the final words in the heading: "Report"; with power to fill vacancies".

The Bishop of Washington presented the Report of the Army and Navy Commission. The Report was accepted and the following resolution adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Army and Navy Commission be continued with power to fill vacancies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 54.]
The Secretary of the House of Deputies on the Fourth Day presented the following resolution of the Synod of the Province of Sewanee on resident chaplain service in veterans' hospitals:

Resolved, That the Synod of the Province of Sewanee request the General Council to bring to the attention of the President of the United States the need for, and possibility of, supplying Resident Chaplain service to the various Veterans' Hospitals throughout the Nation.

This was referred to the Army and Navy Commission.

Budget and Program of the National Council—Report of Joint Committee on

The Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio on the Eleventh Day presented the Report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

(See Appendix No. 3).

The Rev. Dr. Nelson moved Resolution No. 1 for the above Committee:

1. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Presiding Bishop and National Council be requested to take immediate steps to carry out, upon a large scale, a promotional plan during the year 1938, which will seek to bring fuller missionary information to every individual in every Parish of every Diocese and Missionary District throughout the Church.

The resolution was adopted.

Budget and Program—Strategy and Policy of the National Council

Joint Commission on

The Secretary presented on the Fourth Day a resolution of the National Council with reference to a Joint Commission on Strategy and Policy of the National Council:

WHEREAS, The Christian Church is confronted with a changing world order, with its new demands and opportunities at home and abroad,

AND WHEREAS, The very health and life of the Church depend upon intelligent support of her missionary enterprise addressed to the needs of our modern age, therefore be it

Resolved, That the National Council appoint a committee of five of its members to be known as the Committee on Strategy and Policy to recommend such adjustment of our organization and the time schedule of the meetings of the Council as to provide adequate opportunity for consideration of matters of policy and the delegation of matters of detail to the proper officers, departments and committees, and be it

Further Resolved, That to obtain an objective view of our policies, strategies and activities, we recommend to the General Convention the
appointment and financing of a committee composed of bishops, clergy, laymen and lay women learned in the history and present work of the Church and in the trends of thought and life in our own and other communions and lands (such committee to have in its membership one representative of the National Council to preserve adequate liaison) and to study the policies, strategies and activities by which the Church's Program at home and abroad should be:

First: Administered from headquarters.
Second: Carried on in the field.
Third: Promoted and supported.

Further Resolved, That this latter committee be requested to hold such joint meetings with the Committee on Strategy and Policy of the National Council and to make such recommendations to the Council during the coming triennium as may be deemed wise and necessary for thorough evaluation and study and for a more intelligent planning and prosecution of the Church's missionary work in all fields.

This was referred to the Committee on Expenses and the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Fifth Day: dealing with the above subject:

MESSAGE No. 17. Fourth Day of Session,

OCTOBER 9TH, 1937.

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

WHEREAS, The Christian Church is confronted with a changing world order, with its new demands and opportunities at home and abroad,

AND WHEREAS, The very health and life of the Church depend upon intelligent support of her missionary enterprise addressed to the needs of our modern age,

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the National Council appoint a committee of five of its members to be known as the Committee on Strategy and Policy to recommend such adjustment of our organization and the time schedule of the meetings of the Council as to provide adequate opportunity for consideration of matters of policy and the delegation of matters of detail to the proper officers, departments and committees,

And be it further Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That to obtain an objective view of our policies, strategies and activities, we recommend to the General Convention the appointment and financing of a committee composed of Bishops, clergy, laymen and laywomen, learned in the history and present work of the Church and in the trends of thought and life in our own and other communions and lands, (such committee to have in its membership one representative of the National Council to preserve adequate liaison) and to study the policies, strategies and activities by which the Church's Program at home and abroad should be, first, administered from headquarters; second, carried on in the field; third, promoted and supported.
And be it further Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that this latter committee be requested to hold such joint meetings with the Committee on Strategy and Policy of the National Council and to make such recommendations to the Council during the coming triennium as may be deemed wise and necessary for thorough evaluation and study and for a more intelligent planning and prosecution of the Church's missionary work in all fields.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

This was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Ninth Day presented report No. 12 of the Committee on Expenses, as follows:

The Committee on Expenses has considered the resolution contained in Message No. 17 of the House of Bishops in reference to the appointment of a Committee of five as Committee on Strategy and Policy, and recommends the same be referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program and that this committee be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

The Report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson then offered Resolution No. 2 of the Committee on Budget and Program.

2. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that a Joint Commission be appointed consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters, five Laymen and five Women, conspicuous in the Church for their knowledge of and devotion to the missionary cause, who shall make an objective study of the policies, strategies and activities by which the Church's Program is, and should be (1) administered from Headquarters, (2) carried on in the Field, and (3) promoted and supported; and it shall be their duty to submit a report of their findings to the General Convention of 1940.

And be it further Resolved, That one member of this Commission be chosen from the National Council, to preserve a proper liaison.

An appropriation of $1,000 for each year of the triennium to finance the work of this Commission has been provided in the Budget.

Note—The Presiding Bishop to be ex-officio a member (H.B. 150). The resolution was adopted.

MESSAGE No. 168. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed on the part of this House the following as members of the Joint Commission to make a study of the policies, strategies and activities by which the Church's Program is, and should be

1. Administered from headquarters,
2. Carried on in the Field, and
3. Promoted and supported, as authorized in the report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program:
Presbyters
5. Rev. C. Rankin Barnes of Los Angeles.

Laymen
1. Mr. T. S. Gates of Pennsylvania.
2. Mr. Carl Johnson of Colorado.
3. Mr. Ethan A. Shepley of Missouri.
4. Mr. R. H. Sherwood of Indianapolis.
5. Mr. Z. C. Patten of Tennessee.

Laywomen
Miss Mary E. Johnston of Southern Ohio.
Mrs. Henry Hill Pierce of New York.
Miss Anne Patton of Los Angeles.
Mrs. Kenneth C. M. Sills of Maine.
Mrs. E. A. Stebbins of Rochester.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The Chairman of the House of Bishops announced the appointment of the members of that House on the Joint Commission on Strategy and Policy as follows:

The Bishop of Spokane, the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of South Florida, the Bishop of North Dakota, the Bishop of Kentucky.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message 197.]

Archdeacon Bulkley of Utah on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 3 of the Committee on Missions, offering the following Preamble and Resolutions, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, Missionary advance has been seriously hampered by lack of vision and lack of knowledge, we endorse the appointment of a Committee to study the policies, strategies, and activities by which the Church's Program at home and abroad should be, (1st) administered from Headquarters; (2) carried on in the Field; (3rd) promoted and supported.

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the terminology employed in the appeal be the Mission of the Church, transcending distinction, between Missions, Domestic and Foreign, the rescue of mankind from the dominion of the fear motive into the Kingdom of Christ and the Spirit of Love.

Be it further Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be requested to plan a method by which clergy and laity who seem eminently fitted to present the Missionary Story be enabled to visit foreign and domestic missionary fields, thus supplementing the reports of the missionaries themselves and the curtailed promotional functions of the Field Department. We request reference to the Committee on Policy and Strategy.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 87.]
The House did not concur in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 105.]

Budget and Program—Undesignated Legacies

The Secretary on the Second Day presented the report of the National Council on the subject of Undesignated Legacies, as requested by the General Convention of 1934, as follows:

At the General Convention of 1934 the following resolution was referred to the National Council with instructions to report at the next General Convention:

Resolved, That beginning with January 1, 1938, the principals of undesignated legacies shall not, except by specific direction or permission in the will of the donor, be expended by the National Council, but shall be duly invested and the income only shall be expended, except:

1. That the National Council may make appropriations from the principals of such undesignated legacies for the erection of such buildings for the worship or work of the Church as may be intended for permanent use provided that when such appropriations are made an adequate amount be at the same time set aside from those legacies or from other sources, and duly invested to provide the approximate annual cost of the normal upkeep of the fabric of such buildings: and

2. That the National Council may in its discretion set aside such legacies or any portion of them for the partial endowment for the support of the Episcopate of Missionary and Aided Dioceses and for the temporary or permanent endowment of any work or any phase of work which is under the direction of the National Council.

At the meeting of the National Council, held February 16th to 18th, 1937, the Council voted unanimously the following resolution as a reply to the above resolution:

Resolved, That the National Council, after careful consideration and discussion, is of the opinion that the adoption of the said resolution offered in the General Convention would be unwise and against the best interests of the work of the Church, because the National Council has ascertained by experience that at certain times the work of the Church under the auspices of the National Council cannot be supported by the amount of money given by the Church and that these gifts must be supplemented from other sources, and has heretofore, from time to time, to meet such need and as an emergency measure, drawn upon the principal of undesignated legacies in order that the work might not suffer; thus departing from the general policy of the National Council, which is to restrict the use of the principal of undesignated legacies to the two classes of the work of the Church permitted by said resolution offered in the General Convention and referred to the National Council: and

Further Resolved, That the Secretary of the National Council transmit to the next General Convention a duly certified copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution as the report of the National Council on the proposed resolution submitted to it.
This report was referred to Committee on Budget and Program.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson then offered Resolution No. 3 of the Committee:

3. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be, and it is hereby instructed, to divide undesignated legacies received in the period between January 1, 1938, and December 31, 1940, in equal parts between the Reserve Deposit Funds and the Forward Movement Commission, and that they be used exclusively for these purposes.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the word "Commission" the words "provided, that the latter shall not receive more than $40,000 per year".

The amendment was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Lewis of Vermont then moved to amend the resolution by substituting the words "repayment of present deficit" for the words "Reserve Deposit Funds".

The amendment was adopted.

The resolution was then adopted with these two amendments, to read as follows:

3. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be, and it is hereby authorized, to divide undesignated legacies received in the period between January 1, 1938, and December 31, 1940, in equal parts between the repayment of present deficit and the Forward Movement Commission, provided that the latter shall not receive more than $40,000 per year and that they be used exclusively for these purposes.

Message No. 135. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received and approved the Report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program with changes as indicated, and has adopted the resolutions therein contained, with the following amendments:

Resolution No. 3 be amended so as to read as follows:

3. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be, and it is hereby instructed, to divide undesignated legacies received in the period between January 1, 1938, and December 31, 1940, in equal parts between the repayment of present deficit and the Forward Movement Commission provided that the latter shall not receive more than $40,000 per year, and that they be used exclusively for these purposes.

No. 6. Change the date from February 1st to February 15th.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

Message No. 135, containing the action of the House of Deputies on the Report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Pro-
gram was presented again to the House, each resolution being considered by itself.

The House concurred with the foregoing Message with the following amendment:

In line 3, change the word "instructed", to the word authorized."

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 149.]

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 167.]

The Rev. Dr. Mitchell of Alabama then moved to amend the text of the report by deleting from Section VII, paragraph 2, the last sentence, beginning "And we are informed".

The amendment was adopted.

Budget and Program—Budget of General Church for Triennium 1938-40

The Secretary presented on the Second Day a resolution of the National Council with reference to the Budget of the National Council for 1938-1940.

Resolved, That the action of the National Council of December 8th and 9th, 1936, fixing the budgets for the coming triennium at $2,500,000 for 1938, $2,600,000 for 1939 and $2,700,000 for 1940, be and hereby is cancelled:

Further Resolved, That the budget for 1938-1940 be as follows:

For the year 1938 ........................................ $2,400,000
For the year 1939 ........................................ $2,500,000
For the year 1940 ........................................ $2,600,000

and

Further Resolved, That the officers of the National Council are instructed to prepare the detailed budget for 1938 totaling $2,400,000: and

Further Resolved, That the officers be requested to report to the National Council a schedule for 1938 of necessary restoration of work in the various fields totaling approximately $200,000 over and above the minimum budget of $2,400,000, the same to be recommended to General Convention, and to become effective if and when the expectancies from the dioceses, income from legacies, and other invested funds show that the budget has been raised.
It was understood that the President of the Council would present to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program full information on action of the National Council on the above subject.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson then offered Resolution No. 4 of the Committee.

4. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Budget submitted by the Joint Committee on Budget and Program be adopted subject to revision by the National Council in view of expectancies, provided that any decrease be confined to Classifications I. and V. in order that the promotional activities of the Church may be effectively maintained and developed under all circumstances.

At this point the Rev. Mr. Wattley of Louisiana offered the following amendment, to change in line 4 in resolution 4 the words "Classifications I and V" to read Classifications II and V.

The amendment was lost.

Resolution No. 4 was then adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson then offered Resolution No. 5 of the Committee.

This was adopted.

5. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That if, in the discretion of the National Council, increases seem justifiable under conditions then obtaining, the Budget for 1939 shall be increased to an amount not to exceed $2,500,000; and for 1940 to an amount not to exceed $2,550,000.

This was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson then offered Resolution No. 6 of the Committee, which was adopted, with the amendment to change February 1st to read February 15th, as follows:

6. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be instructed to prepare before February 15th in each year of the triennium a Budget in a sum not to exceed the total of expectancies plus other anticipated income, including a margin of safety.

So amended, the resolution was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson then offered Resolution No. 7 of the Committee:

7. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in case it becomes evident that actual receipts will fall short of the Budget total, the National Council shall under no circumstances incur debt to meet the shortage but
shall make such reduction in appropriation as may be necessary to bring them within expected receipts, including a reasonable factor of safety.

This was adopted.

**Budget and Program—Objectives—To Be Assigned by National Council**

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware on the Sixth Day a resolution on the percentages for the division of Diocesan and general funds was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany a resolution in relation to shared objectives was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson then offered Resolution No. 8 of the Committee:

8. *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That by mutual agreement between the National Council and each of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts, Objectives for each year shall be assigned by the National Council not later than May 1st of the preceding year.

This was adopted.

**Budget and Program—Forward Movement Commission Continued**

The Rev. Dr. Nelson then offered Resolution No. 9 of the Committee:

9. *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission on the Forward Movement, consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and ten Laymen, be appointed to continue in collaboration with the Presiding Bishop and the National Council an organized effort to reinvigorate the life of the Church and to rehabilitate its General, Diocesan, and Parochial work.

This was adopted.

*Note—The Presiding Bishop to be ex-officio a member. (H. B. 150.)*

The Rev. Dr. Nelson then offered Resolution No. 10 of the Committee:

10. *Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the policy which the National Council has followed, in extending certain credits or advances to the Forward Movement Commission for operating expenses, is hereby approved, and the Presiding Bishop and National Council are authorized, at their discretion, to extend similar credits to the Forward Movement Commission during the coming triennium.

This was adopted.
The Rev. Dr. Nelson then moved the adoption of the entire report as amended.

This was enthusiastically adopted by a rising vote.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 135.]

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

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 ex-officio a member of the Commissions in Resolutions No. 2 and No. 9 of the Report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

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

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 146.]

Budget and Program—Report—Copy of as Amended to Be Sent to Each Deputy

The Rev. Dr. Nelson presented the following report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, asking that each deputy to the General Convention and each delegate to the Triennial Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary should receive a copy of the committee's report:

WHEREAS, It is highly important that each Deputy to this session of General Convention receive a copy of the Report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, and

WHEREAS, Many delegates have returned to their respective homes before hearing the Report of the Joint Committee,

Therefore, be it Resolved, That a copy of the Report, as finally amended be mailed to each Deputy to the Convention, and if feasible, copies be sent also to the Delegates to the Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary.

This was adopted.

Budget and Program Committee to Report in 1940

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Twelfth Day:
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 five (5) Bishops, five (5) Presbyters, and ten (10) 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 1940 and that opportunity for public hearings be approved by this Committee.

The Chair on the part of this House has appointed: The Bishop of Tennessee, the Bishop of Erie, the Bishop of Delaware, the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop Coadjutor of Rochester.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred with the following amendment:

That the five Presbyters and ten laymen should be appointed by the President of the present House of Deputies, so soon as the names of the elected members of the House have been ascertained, said committee to be authorized and instructed to meet several days prior to the opening of the General Convention of 1940.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 176.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 196.]

Budget and Program—Supplemental Report

1. Church Debts.
2. Emergency Campaigns in Dioceses.
3. Consolidation of Missionary Districts.
4. Information on Church's work.
5. Division of Funds between Diocese and General Church.

The following resolutions were referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

On motion of the Bishop of Lexington on the Sixth Day a resolution relative to the publication by the National Council of a book explaining the Church's Program was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

The Rev. C. C. J. Carpenter of Alabama, presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution of the Field Department of
the Province of Sewanee, calling for the printing of the General Church Program:

To facilitate the carrying out of Canon 21, paragraph II., Section (1.) which, in part directs that Ministers "shall instruct all persons in their Parishes and cures concerning all the Missionary Work of the Church at home and abroad", and to enable teachers and leaders to have a proper understanding of the Church's Missions; the Field Department of the Fourth Province offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That National Council be and hereby is requested to prepare and make available a book explaining the Church's Program with information about the several mission fields; the work of the departments; the distribution of the Budget, and such general information as will implement the teaching of the individual members concerning the work of the Church;

That this book be similar in general form and content to the publications of this nature which were printed prior to this Triennium.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

The Bishop of Erie presented a Supplementary Report from the Joint Committee on Budget and Program which was referred to the Presiding Bishop and Council.

Mr. Spencer Ervin of Pennsylvania, presented the following resolution with regard to the administrative expense of the Church:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the whole expense of the executive and administrative work of the National Church, within a stated sum should henceforth be borne by General Convention; and not, as at present, by the Missionary offerings of our people.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program and to the Committee on Expenses.

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 6 of the Committee on Expenses, as follows:

The Committee on Expenses has considered the resolution offered by Mr. Spencer Ervin of Pennsylvania that the whole expense of the executive and administrative work of the National Church within a stated sum should henceforth be borne by General Convention, and recommends that the same be referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, and that this committee be discharged from further consideration in the matter.

The report was adopted, and the resolution referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

The Rev. Dr. Edmund J. Lee of Anking on the Seventh Day, presented the following with regard to the budget of the National Council:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That each year if reports from the dioceses show that the total expectations are insufficient to make possible the meeting of the proposed budget for the year, and that serious cuts in appropriations are therefore necessary, the National Council is instructed, before making such cuts, to inform the dioceses and parishes of the situation and give them the opportunity of increasing their gift for the general work of the Church.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

Mr. Spaulding of Michigan offered on the Second Day the following Preamble and Memorial from the Diocese of Michigan with reference to the missionary work in the Philippine Islands:

Whereas, The changes that have recently occurred in the political relations between the Philippine Islands and the United States have greatly widened the opportunities and increased the responsibilities of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Islands, and

Whereas, The Mission in the Philippine Islands faces a serious crisis due to repeated reductions in the appropriations of this Church for its support; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Convention memorialize the General Convention of 1937 to provide in the Missionary Budget of the Church adequate financial support to the Missionary work in the Philippine Islands, in order that the special and urgent responsibilities of the Church in that territory may be properly met.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

Mr. C. P. Overfield of Utah presented the following resolution calling for a Joint Commission to consider plans for the refinancing of diocesan and parochial debts:

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission be appointed to consider a plan for the refinancing of the debts of those dioceses, parishes, missions and institutions of the Protestant Episcopal Church which may desire the same and to submit its findings to the next General Convention.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 12).

The Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio on the Twelfth Day presented the following supplementary report from the Joint Committee on Budget and Program:

During the course of its deliberations, your Joint Committee has had placed before it, either by reference from the House of Bishops or the House of Deputies, or by suggestions of individuals, various recommendations on matters of interest in attempting to solve our common problems. All of these recommendations have been of assistance to your Committee, and all of them, without exception, have been discussed, either by the whole Committee or by one of its Sub-committees. Some of the recom-
mendations have, as you already know, been touched upon in the Report of the Committee which you have adopted.

There are others which the Committee felt might confuse the main issues if included in the Report of the Committee but which, nevertheless, are of sufficient importance to justify their inclusion in a Supplementary Report with recommendations. This Supplementary Report is therefore presented to you for that purpose.

I. CHURCH DEBTS

There was presented to the Committee a very interesting study by the Rev. John W. Gummere, of Charles Town, West Virginia, on the subject of the total debt of the Church, its Dioceses, Parishes and other institutions. The figures were impressive but lack of time led the Committee to feel that, on such a large subject, it would be unwise to act precipitously. The Committee urges, however, that insofar as interest charges and principal payments on debts account for the inability to increase missionary giving, parochial and diocesan authorities should employ energetic measures to meet their obligations but coupled in all instances with a faithful attempt to fulfill, at the same time, their missionary responsibility, as the surest means of enlisting the generosity of our membership. The Committee also recommends the appointment of a Committee by the National Council to study the whole problem of Church Debts and their relationship to the financial problems of the Church.

II. EMERGENCY CAMPAIGN

There was also referred to the Committee the apparent practice of certain Dioceses in conducting emergency campaigns to make up the lag in their collections, at about the same season of the year when the rest of the Church is engaged in the Every Member Canvass for the following year. The Committee appreciates that the situation in some Dioceses may seem to make this procedure necessary but, nevertheless, recommends that the practice be discontinued so far as possible in order that the whole Church may move forward at the same time in the Every Member Canvass each year.

III. CONSOLIDATION OF MISSIONARY DISTRICTS

The Committee gave considerable thought to the question of consolidation or absorption of Domestic Missionary Districts. It was the feeling of the Committee that the Domestic Missionary Policy of the Church should provide for the progressive extinction of Domestic Missionary Districts either (1) through consolidation with contiguous Districts or merger with adjoining Dioceses, or (2) by the attainment of Diocesan status. The Committee also strongly recommends that a compulsory retiring age for Missionary Bishops be established as a part of the Missionary Policy of the Church.

IV. INFORMATION ON CHURCH'S WORK

The Committee is glad to endorse heartily the recommendation that there be prepared by the National Council a comprehensive Book of Information setting forth and describing the scope and means of carrying out the Church's work, both at home and abroad. We believe that such information would be of the greatest value in encouraging the interest and support of our Church people.
V. DIVISION OF DIOCESAN AND GENERAL CHURCH FUNDS

There was referred to the Committee a recommendation that the Canons be amended so as to fix the relative percentages for the division of the giving for Missions between the Dioceses and the General Church. Although the Committee recognized the desirability of some equitable division of such funds, it does not at this time feel that it would be desirable to fix the percentages of division by Canon. We recommend therefore that this question be referred to the Presiding Bishop and the National Council for further study.

VI. OTHER MATTERS

The Committee offers no specific Resolutions in regard to the above matters but suggests that they all be referred to the Presiding Bishop and the National Council for their consideration. They are all matters of importance but your Committee has not felt that the questions involved can at this time be acted upon with definiteness.

Aside from the above and the matters already covered in the Report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program which you have already passed upon, and Supplementary Reports already rendered, your Committee begs to be discharged from further consideration of such other matters as have been referred to it.

This was referred to the Presiding Bishop and to the National Council.

Canons and Constitution—Joint Committee to Codify and Also to Consider Canons on Merger of Dioceses

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 37 of the Committee on Canons, asking for a Joint Commission to Codify the Canons of the Church, as follows:

Your Committee is of the opinion that in view of the many amendments that have been adopted by the General Convention since the last general revision of the Canons in 1904, and particularly because of the far-reaching amendments which have been made at this session, it is advisable to have a Joint Commission appointed to codify the Canons of this Church.

Your Committee, therefore, recommends for adoption the following resolution:

WHEREAS, There appears to be a lack of harmony, arrangement and possibly conflict between the Canons of this Church, therefore,

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission of three Bishops, three Presbyters and four lay members be appointed to codify, edit, rearrange and renumber the Canons of this Church, and

Be it further Resolved, That said Commission shall have authority to print its report and make the same available for members of the next Triennial Convention at least three months prior to the first day of October, 1940.

The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 111.]
The President announced on the Eleventh Day the appointment of the following to represent this House on the Joint Commission for Codification of the Canons:


Laymen.—Judge Origen S. Seymour, of Connecticut; Mr. William G. Peterkin, of West Virginia; Mr. Stuart C. Rand, of Massachusetts; Mr. Milton C. Lightner, of Minnesota.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 130.]

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the House concurred with the foregoing Message No. 111 with the following amendment:

That the Constitution be included in the codification by the Committee above called for, and that

This Commission seek to procure a person or persons to revise Dr. White's handbook on the Constitution and Canons so as to include all legislation to date.

The Chair on the part of this House has appointed: The Bishop of Minnesota, the Bishop of New Jersey, The Bishop of New Hampshire.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 124.]

The House of Deputies concurred with the House of Bishops with Message No. 124 with the amendment contained therein. Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 173.

Mr. Peterkin of West Virginia on the Eleventh Day presented the following resolution appropriating the sum of $750, for the expenses of the Joint Committee for Arrangement and Recodification of the Canons:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty ($750.00) Dollars be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the fund for the contingent expenses of the General Convention to defray the necessary expenses of the special Joint Committee for Arrangement and Recodification of the Canons.

This was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Eleventh Day presented Report No. 15 of the Committee on Expenses, dealing with the resolution presented by Mr. Peterkin of West Virginia, requesting an appropriation of $750, to defray necessary expenses of the Joint Committee on Codification of the Canons, and recommending its approval:

The Committee on Expenses has considered the resolution presented by Mr. W. G. Peterkin of West Virginia regarding an appropriation of $750
The House of Deputies, in a resolution, adopted the following:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars ($750.00) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the fund for the contingent expenses of the General Convention to defray the necessary expenses of the special Joint Committee for Arrangement and Recodification of the Canons.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Twelfth Day:

MESSAGE No. 158

Eleventh Day of Session,
October 18th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars ($750.00) be, and the same is hereby appropriated from the fund for the contingent expenses of the General Convention to defray the necessary expenses of the special Joint Committee for Arrangement and Recodification of the Canons.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred, with the amendment to change the figure from $750. to read "$1,500".

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 192.]

MESSAGE No. 171

Twelfth Day of Session,
October 19th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 158 appropriating $750.00 (Seven Hundred and Fifty Dollars) for the contingent expenses of the General Convention to defray the necessary expenses of the special Joint Committee for Arrangement and Recodification of the Canons.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred, with the amendment to change the figure from $750. to read "$1,500".

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 192.]

MESSAGE No. 192

Twelfth Day of Session,
October 19th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 171 with the amendment contained in our Message No. 172, appropriating $1,500 instead of $750 for the purpose.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Canon Sharp of Tennessee on the Twelfth Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the appropriation to defray necessary expenses of the special Joint Committee on codification, etc., of the Canons (which committee has now been directed to take similar action upon the Constitution, and requested to consider the revision of the Rev. Dr. White's Book on Constitution and Canons), in view of
these additions to the scope of the Joint Committee’s duties, be increased from $750 to a sum not to exceed $1,500.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 172.]

MESSAGE No. 172                     Twelfth Day of Session,  
                                      OCTOBER 19TH, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the appropriation to defray necessary expenses of the special Joint Committee on Codification, etc., of the Canons (which Committee has now been directed to take similar action upon the Constitution, and requested to consider the revision of the Rev. Dr. White’s book on Constitution and Canons), in view of these additions to the scope of the Joint Committee’s duties, be increased from $750 to a sum not to exceed $1,500.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing message on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 195.]

The Rev. Mr. Stowe of New Jersey on the Eleventh Day offered the following resolution with regard to canons affecting the merger of dioceses:

WHEREAS, certain diocesan chancellors maintain that the canons dealing with the process of merger of two or more dioceses are vague, uncertain and confusing;

Therefore, be it Resolved, That the Joint Committee on the Codification of the Canons of this Church be requested to consider the canons dealing with the merger of dioceses and to report to the General Convention of 1940 their recommendations for clarification of the subject, if such be needed.

The resolution was adopted and referred to the Joint Commission on Codification of the Canons.

Canon 1, § I, Subsection [ii], Postulant to Have Personal Interview With Bishop

The Secretary of the House of Deputies presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution of the Synod of the Province of the Pacific on Postulant to interview Bishop:

Resolved, That General Convention be memorialized to revise Canon 1, § 2, so as to make mandatory a personal interview of the Postulant with the Bishop.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.
On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting on the Sixth Day for the Committee on Canons in Report No. 8 concerning amendments to Can. 1 § 2 so as to make mandatory a personal interview of the Postulant with the Bishop, the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the matter.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 13 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the resolution presented from the Province of the Pacific with regard to Canon 1, requiring a Postulant to have a personal interview with the Bishop, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution presented from the Province of the Pacific, relating to Canon 1, requiring a Postulant to have a personal interview with the Bishop.

Your Committee recommends for adoption the following resolution:

Resolution, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon I, § I, Subsection [ii], the second paragraph thereof, be amended by inserting in the first line of said paragraph, after the word "Bishop" the words: "shall confer in person with the applicant and," so that the sentence in which said change occurs, as amended, shall read as follows: "Before the admission of a Postulant the Bishop shall confer in person with the applicant and shall require the applicant to submit to a thorough examination by a physician appointed by the Bishop."

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

Action on the foregoing Message was deferred waiting a reply from the House of Deputies to the Message of this House on the same matter.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on Canons on the Eighth Day, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon I, § I, Subsection [ii], Paragraph 2, be amended to read as follows:

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. The form of medical report prepared by the Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose.

A record of the report thereon shall be kept on file by the Bishop and shall be submitted to the Standing Committee, or Council of Advice, when application is made by the Postulant to become a candidate.

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

The above was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 32 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with Message No. 70 of the House of Bishops, as follows:
Your Committee has considered Message No. 70 of the House of Bishops embodying an amendment to Canon I, § I, Subsection [ii], paragraph 2.

This amendment in substance requires that the form of Medical Report used in connection with the admission of a Postulant be the form prepared by the Church Pension Fund; that the report be kept on file by the Bishop and be submitted to the Standing Committee, or Council of Advice, when application is made by the Postulant to become a Candidate.

This House has already considered on Report No. 13 of this Committee an amendment to this same paragraph requiring the Bishop to confer in person with the applicant.

This amendment was adopted and communicated to the House of Bishops by the House of Deputies, Message No. 49.

Your Committee, therefore, recommends a concurrence in Message No. 70 of the House of Bishops with the following amendment:

Insert in said paragraph, the first sentence thereof, after the words "Before the admission of a Postulant the Bishop", the words, "shall confer in person with the applicant and", so that said second paragraph shall read as follows:

"Before the admission of a Postulant the Bishop shall confer in person with the applicant and 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. The form of medical report prepared by the Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose."

A record of the report thereon shall be kept on file by the Bishop and shall be submitted to the Standing Committee, or Council of Advice, when application is made by the Postulant to become a candidate.

The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by 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. 70 embodying an amendment to Canon 1, § I, Subsection [ii], paragraph 2, with the following amendment:

Insert in said paragraph, the first sentence thereof, after the words, "Before the admission of a Postulant the Bishop," the words, "shall confer in person with the applicant and," so that said second paragraph shall read as follows:
"Before the admission of a Postulant the Bishop shall confer in person with the applicant and 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. The form of medical report prepared by the Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose."

A record of the report thereon shall be kept on file by the Bishop and shall be submitted to the Standing Committee, or Council of Advice, when application is made by the Postulant to become a candidate.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House did not accept the Amendment contained in the foregoing Message and asked for a Committee of Conference. The Chair on the part of this House appointed the Bishop of Alabama and the Bishop of Eau Claire.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 117.]

On the recommendation of its own members of the Conference committee the House voted to reconsider its previous action.

It then voted to concur with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 70, embodying an amendment to Canon 1, § I, Subsection [ii], paragraph 2, with the following amendment:

Insert in said paragraph, the first sentence thereof, after the words “Before the admission of a Postulant the Bishop shall,” the words “whenever possible, confer in person with the applicant, and shall,”

so that Canon 1, § I, Subsection [ii], shall read as follows:

Before the admission of a Postulant the Bishop shall, whenever possible, confer in person with the applicant, and 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. The form of medical report prepared by the Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose.

A record of the report thereon shall be kept on file by the Bishop and shall be submitted to the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, when application is made by the Postulant to become a candidate.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 174.]

MESSAGE No. 174

Eleventh Day of Session,

OCTOBER 18TH, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that after conference this House has voted to concur with House of Bishops Message No. 70, embodying an amendment to Canon 1, § I, Subsection [ii], paragraph 2, with the following amendment:
Insert in said paragraph, the first sentence thereof, after the words "Before the admission of a Postulant the Bishop shall" the words "shall whenever possible confer in person with the applicant."

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Twelfth Day:

MESSAGE No. 189  Twelfth Day of Session,
October 19th, 1937.

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. 174, and accepts the Amendment stated therein.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

Canon 2, § V, Subsection [vi] and § I Clause [c]—Action Postponed

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented on the Fourth Day Report No. 8 of the Committee on Canons, as follows, and asked that consideration of the same be postponed:

Your Committee finds a conflict to exist between the provisions of Canon 2, § V, Subsection [vi] and Canon 2, § I, Clause [c].

It, therefore, recommends for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 2, § V, Subsection [vi] be amended by adding in the eighth line thereof after the word "examinations" the following sentence: "Such a Postulant shall not be required to submit the certificate provided for in Canon 2, § I, Clause [c]; (1) by striking out in the eighth line thereof the word "but"; (2) by commencing the word "in" in said line with a capital letter so that said Subsection [vi], as amended, shall read as follows:

"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. Such a Postulant shall not be required to submit the certificate provided for in Canon 2, § I, Clause [c]. In all other cases such Minister shall conform to the requirements of other Postulants."

Canon 4, § II, on Canonical Examinations—Not Adopted

The Rev. Dr. Hughes of Rhode Island presented on the Second Day the following Memorial from the Diocese of Rhode Island in regard to modifying the subjects required for examination for Deacon's Orders:

Resolved, That the Rhode Island Episcopal Convention in session this day, the 19th day of May, 1936, does respectfully request the General Convention to consider the advisability of deleting from the canons of General
Convention § 2 of Canon 4, specifying subjects for the examination of candidates for deacon's orders, so that candidates for Holy Orders shall be required to sustain examinations in the full list of subjects laid down in Canon 4 before being recommended for ordination to the Diaconate.

This requirement shall not obtain in the case of candidates who signify their intention of remaining permanently in Deacon's Orders.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 21 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the Memorial presented by the Diocese of Rhode Island in regard to canonical examinations, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the Memorial presented by the Diocese of Rhode Island relating to Canon 4, § II, suggesting that candidates for Holy Orders shall be required to sustain examinations in the full list of subjects laid down in Canon 4, § I, before being recommended for ordination to the Diaconate. The Memorial further suggested that this requirement should not obtain in the case of candidates who signify their intention of remaining permanently in Deacon's Orders.

Your Committee is of the opinion that while it is advisable where possible to have the intellectual qualifications of a candidate completely determined at an early date, it is not expedient that the suggestion of the Diocese of Rhode Island be made compulsory for all Dioceses by inclusion in the General Canon. Your Committee, therefore, feels that it is inexpedient to make any general amendment or change in the Canon, as suggested by the Diocese of Rhode Island. It, therefore, asks to be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

The report was adopted.

Canon 5, § 2, Repealed

The Rev. Mr. Atwater of Easton on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That §2 of the Canon 5 be and hereby is repealed, and that the sections following be numbered accordingly.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Tenth Day presented Report No. 35 of the Committee on Canons, recommending adversely on the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Atwater of Easton, as follows:

This Committee has considered the resolution presented by the Rev. Mr. Atwater of Easton embodying the repeal of Canon 5, § II. This Section of Canon 5 permits a Deacon as a candidate under the provisions of Canon 2, § I, Subsection [iv] who has served two years in the Diaconate with good repute, to be advanced to the Priesthood without further examination. Your Committee believes that it would be inexpedient at this session of the General Convention to repeal said § II.
Your Committee, recommends, however, that the question of the advisability of repealing said § II and the question also as to the advisability of repealing § IV of said Canon 5, be referred to the Committee to be appointed to carry out the suggestions of the Committee on Theological Education, all as covered by the provisions of the House of Bishops' Message No. 23, as amended by action taken thereon by this House.

Your Committee asks that it be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The Rev. Mr. Atwater offered as a substitute motion his original resolution. In the voting division was called for, with the following results: aye 235: No. 165.

The substitute was adopted as follows:

Whereas, The "Joint Commission to Consider the present facilities for Theological Education in the Church" in its Report to this Convention has stressed the need of exercising greater care in the admission of Candidates for the Ministry, and

Whereas, The provisions of § II of Canon 5 permit a deacon who has been admitted as a Candidate after having attained the age of 32 years to be advanced to the Priesthood after having passed only the simple examinations required for the Diaconate, and

Whereas, It is the opinion of this Convention that no man should be admitted to the Priesthood who is not intellectually qualified for the same, therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § II of Canon 5 be and hereby is repealed, and that the sections following be numbered accordingly.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 109.]

MESSAGE No. 109

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

Whereas, The "Joint Commission to Consider the present facilities for Theological Education in the Church" in its Report to this Convention, has stressed the need of exercising greater care in the admission of Candidates for the Ministry, and

Whereas, The provisions of § II of Canon 5 permit a deacon who has been admitted as a Candidate after having attained the age of 32 years to be advanced to the Priesthood after having passed only the simple examinations required for the Diaconate, and

Whereas, It is the opinion of this Convention that no man should be admitted to the Priesthood who is not intellectually qualified for the same, therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § II of Canon 5 be and hereby is repealed, and that the sections following be numbered accordingly.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.
The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota for Canons, the House concurred with Message No. 109 amending Canon 5, § II.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 174 and 179.]

**Canon 7 New Section III, Requiring Physical Examination**

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota on the Eighth Day reporting for the Committee on Canons, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 7 be amended by inserting a new § III to read as follows:

"Before the ordination of a Deacon 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. The form of medical report prepared by the Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose.

This report shall be kept on file by the Bishop and shall be submitted to the Standing Committee or Council of Advice when application is made by the candidate to be ordained Deacon.

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

The above was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 33 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with Message No. 71 of the House of Bishops, as follows:

Your Committee has considered Message No. 71 of the House of Bishops embodying an amendment to Canon 7 by inserting therein a new § III requiring that before the ordination of a Deacon a Bishop shall require a thorough examination by a physician with a report on the form prepared by the Pension Fund, which report shall be kept on file and submitted to the Standing Committee or Council of Advice when application is made by the candidate to be ordained Deacon.

Your Committee recommends concurrence in said Message No. 71 with the following amendment: that the remaining sections of said Canon 7 be renumbered accordingly.

The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 100.]
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. 71, embodying an amendment to Canon 7 by inserting therein a new § III, with the following amendment:

That the remaining sections of said Canon 7, be renumbered accordingly.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 118.]

Message No. 118

Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

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 amendment relative to renumbering sections of Canon 7.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

Canon 7, § IV, New Subsection [e], on Certificate Showing Completion of Studies

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota on the Eighth Day reporting for the Committee on Canons, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 7, § IV be amended by the addition of the following subsection:

[e] A certificate from the Theological Seminary where he has been studying, or from the Clergyman under whose direction he has been pursuing his studies, showing that he has completed all the studies required by the Canons, and is otherwise qualified to serve in the Ministry of this Church.

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

The above referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 34 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with Message No. 72 of the House of Bishops, as follows:

Your Committee has considered Message No. 72 of the House of Bishops embodying a resolution amending Canon 7, § IV, by the insertion of a new subsection [e] requiring that a candidate in order to be recommended for ordination must lay before the Standing Committee a certificate from the Theological Seminary where he has been studying, or from the Clergyman under whose direction he has been pursuing his studies, showing that he has completed all the studies required by the
Canon 14, § II, Subsection [ii], to Provide for Three Nominations for Vacancy in Episcopate

The Secretary presented on the Fourth Day the following Memorial from the Synod of the Province of the Pacific on Provincial nomination for the Episcopate:

The Synod memorialized General Convention to amend Canon 14, § II, Subsection [ii.], so as to provide for three nominations for a vacancy in the Missionary Episcopate within the Province rather than one nomination as now provided.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 12 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the resolution presented by the Province of the Pacific in regard to filling vacancies in the Episcopate in Missionary Districts, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution presented from the "Province of the Pacific, relating to Canon 14, and asking that the Synod of a Province in the case of a vacancy in an Episcopate in any Missionary District within the Province, be permitted to nominate three persons to fill such vacancy."

Your Committee approves, and, therefore, recommends the following resolution for adoption:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring. That Canon 14, § II., Subsection [ii] be amended by deleting in the eighth line of said Subsection the words "not exceeding three persons" so that the sentence in which said change occurs, as amended, shall read as follows: "The Synod of the Province may thereupon nominate not exceeding three persons to the House of Bishops of the Church for that office."

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 48.]
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, § II, Subsection [ii] be amended by deleting in the eighth line of said Subsection the words "one person" and inserting in place thereof the words "not exceeding three persons" so that the sentence in which said change occurs, as amended, shall read as follows:

"The Synod of the Province may thereupon nominate not exceeding three persons to the House of Bishops of the Church for that office."

Attest: F. J. Clarke, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

Canon 14, § II, Clause iii, to Correct Oversight in Editing of the Canon

Canon Sharp of Tennessee presented on the Second Day the following resolution designed to correct oversight in the editing of Canon 14:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 14, § II, Clause iii, be amended by deleting the word "second" before the word "form" in the fifth line of said clause, so that the clause shall read, "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 form required in Canon 13, § I, which shall be sent, etc."

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Mr. Seymour of Connecticut presented on the Fourth Day Report No. 2 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops, concurring, That Canon 14, § II, Subsection [iii] be amended by deleting the word "second" before the word "form" on the fifth line of said subsection so that the said Subsection [iii] as amended shall read as follows:

"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 form required in Canon 13, § 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."

The above resolution was adopted.

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

Fourth Day of Session,

October 9th, 1937.

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, § II, Sub-section [iii], be amended by deleting the word “second” before the word “form” on the fifth line of said subsection, so that the said Subsection [iii] as amended shall read as follows:

“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 form required in Canon 13, § 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.”

Attest: F. J. CLARKE, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Seventh Day.

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

Canon 15, New Sentence After § VII

On motion of the Bishop of New Hampshire on the Eighth Day a proposed amendment to Canon 15, Par. VII, was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota on the Twelfth Day the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following paragraph be inserted at the end of Paragraph VII, Canon 15:

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.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 176.]

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 189.]
On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The present plan of Canon 17, § I (providing that a Joint Nominating Commission shall present to the House of Bishops the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop) has proved to be impracticable in securing what was originally proposed, viz: the cooperation of both houses in making nominations; and of the constitution,

WHEREAS, Article I, § 3, of the Constitution adequately provides for the manner of electing a Presiding Bishop; and

WHEREAS, the election of a Presiding Bishop by the House of Bishops is subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies,

Be It Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That § I, Canon 17 be stricken out and the sections correspondingly renumbered.

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

MESSAGE No. 147. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That

WHEREAS, The present plan of Canon 17, § I (providing that a Joint Nominating Commission shall present to the House of Bishops the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop) has proved to be impracticable in securing what was originally proposed, viz: the cooperation of both houses in making nominations; and of the constitution,

WHEREAS, Article I, § 3, of the Constitution adequately provides for the manner of electing a Presiding Bishop; and

WHEREAS, The election of a Presiding Bishop by the House of Bishops is subject to confirmation by the House of Deputies,

Be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That § I, Canon 17, be stricken out and the sections correspondingly renumbered.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Eleventh Day on behalf of the Committee on Canons, asked that action be taken on Message No. 147 of the House of Bishops, which had been referred to the Committee for recommendation:

The Committee recommended that the House do not concur.
The House did not concur.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 145.]

MESSAGE No. 145. Eleventh Day of Session,
OCTOBER 18TH, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it does not concur with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 147, striking out § I, of Canon 17.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Canon 17, § II, on Age of Retirement of Presiding Bishop; New § III on Presiding Bishop Making Provision for Administration of His Diocese

The Bishop of Minnesota reporting on the Sixth Day for the Committee on Amendments to Canons presented a resolution to amend Canon 17 by adding a new § III.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the resolution was put on the Calendar (by a vote of 75 to 13).

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the Order of the day was changed and the Report of the Joint Committee on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop was now the order of the day.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota on the Sixth Day the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a new section be added to Canon 17 to be numbered III, the following sections to be re-numbered accordingly, and, to read as follows:

"When a Diocesan Bishop is elected Presiding Bishop it shall be his duty to make such arrangements for the administration of his Diocese as will enable him to fulfill the work of Presiding Bishop."

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 17, § 2 be amended by substituting after the word "office" in the third line, and for what follows up to the period in the fifth line the following: "Until the first day of January succeeding the General Convention which follows his attainment of the age of seventy years."

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

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Committee on Canons in Report No. 19 on the Eighth Day recommended concurrence in that part of the House of Bishops' Message No. 38 which amends Canon 17, Section 2, by
substituting after the word "office" in the third line thereof for the remainder of the first sentence of said Section 2, the words: "until the first day of January succeeding the General Convention which follows his attainment of the age of seventy years."

The Rev. Dr. Bowie of New York moved that the above recommendation of the Committee be amended by the suggestion of the word "sixty-eight" for the word "seventy".

Dean Washburn of Massachusetts moved to amend the amendment by the substitution for the committee's recommendation of the following:

"The Presiding Bishop, when elected according to the provisions of Article I., § 3, of the Constitution, shall hold office for a term of six years, dating from the first day of January succeeding General Convention at which he was elected."

In the voting on Dean Washburn's amendment division was called for. The vote was: aye 212: no 253.

The amendment was lost.

The amendment proposed by the Rev. Dr. Bowie of New York being voted upon, it was adopted.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut thereupon moved the adoption of the committee's recommendation as amended. This was adopted.

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

The Committee on Canons on the Eighth Day in Report No. 19 recommended concurrence in that part of the House of Bishop's Message No. 38, amending Canon 17, by adding a new section to be numbered III, reading as follows:

"When a Diocesan Bishop is elected Presiding Bishop it shall be his duty to make such arrangements for the administration of his Diocese as will enable him to fulfill the work of Presiding Bishop."

In place of this proposed new section, the Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago moved as a substitute the following new section, to be numbered III;

"When a Diocesan Bishop is elected Presiding Bishop it shall be his duty to relinquish the administration of his Diocese sufficiently to enable him fully to perform his duties as Presiding Bishop."

This substitute was adopted.
Judge Seymour of Connecticut then moved concurrence in that part of the House of Bishops' Message No. 38, amending Canon 17 with the above amendment.

The House concurred.

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

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 38, amending Canon 17, with the following amendments:

That § II be amended by striking out the words "of the age of seventy years" and substituting therefor the words "of the age of sixty-eight years."

That the new § III should read as follows: "When a Diocesan Bishop is elected Presiding Bishop it shall be his duty to relinquish the administration of his Diocese sufficiently to enable him fully to perform his duties as Presiding Bishop."

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred with the foregoing Message and accepted the amendments.

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

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 25 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Your Committee has considered Message Number 38 of the House of Bishops relating to the amendment of Canon 17, by adding a new § III and also relating to the extension of the term of the Presiding Bishop. As this matter has been fully covered by the action of the House of Deputies taken on Report Number 19 of this Committee, this Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.

Canon 17, New § VI, on Title of Presiding Bishop—Not Adopted

Mr. Frank E. Brandt of Quincy on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church be given the official title of Primate. This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Mr. Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 28 of the Committee on Canons with regard to the resolution of Mr. Brandt of Quincy, relating to the title of the Presiding Bishop, as follows:
This Committee has considered the resolution presented by Mr. Brandt of Quincy, relating to the title of the Presiding Bishop.

Should it be the sense of the House that the Presiding Bishop have the official title of "Primate?" Canon 17 as previously amended at this session should be further amended by the passage of the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 17, as previously amended at this session, be further amended by adding at the end thereof a new section to be numbered VI, reading as follows:

"VI. The Presiding Bishop shall have the official title of "Primate.""

Your Committee makes no recommendations on the matter and suggests that it be placed upon the calendar for action. Your Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 40).

No. 40 being taken from the Calendar on the Eleventh Day the resolution was lost.

Canon 18, § III

On motion of the Bishop of New Jersey, on the Seventh Day, a resolution to amend Canon 18, § III was referred to the Committee on amendments to Canon.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota on the Twelfth Day the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 18, § III be amended by deleting the words "at least once in three years" and also by deleting the words "unless prevented by reasonable cause" and inserting, after the word "deliver" in line one, the words "from time to time at his discretion."

So that the section shall read as follows, § III: Every Bishop shall deliver from time to time at his discretion, a charge to the Clergy of his Diocese or Missionary District; 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.

Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 175.]
deleting the words "unless prevented by reasonable cause" and inserting, after the word "deliver" in line one, the words "from time to time at his discretion."

So that the section shall read as follows, § III: Every Bishop shall deliver from time to time at his discretion, a charge to the Clergy of his Diocese or Missionary District; 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.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 190.]

Canon 25, on Religious Communities—Not Adopted

The Rev. J. Wilson Hunter of Lexington presented on the Second Day the following Preamble and Resolution in regard to Religious Communities:

WHEREAS, Canon 25 of the Protestant Episcopal Church provides that Religious Communities, in order to obtain official recognition by this Church, must submit their Rule and Constitution to the Bishop of the Diocese in which the Mother House of the Community is situated, for his approval, which provision is not being observed by religious Communities now claiming official recognition by this Church;

AND WHEREAS, under Canon 25, a Community established in another Diocese is responsible to and under the control of the Bishop of the Diocese in which the Mother House of the Community is located, thus depriving the local Bishop of any power of supervision over such Community;

AND WHEREAS, Canon 25 provides that in the administration of the Sacraments the Book of Common Prayer shall be used without alteration, save as lawfully permitted by lawful authority, which authority by this Canon is not vested in the Bishop of the Diocese in which the local community is situated;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention appoint a Joint Commission to study this whole Canon, and report to the next General Convention.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented on the Fourth Day Report No. 6 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution presented by the Rev. Mr. Hunter of Lexington relating to Canon 25.

Inasmuch as this resolution requests the appointment of a Joint Commission and does not ask a present amendment to the Canons, your Committee herewith returns the same to the House of Deputies with the request that it be placed upon the calendar.
Your Committee asks that it be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was placed on the Calendar (10).

Canon 29, § V, on Appeals

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on Canons, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 29 § V, be amended by striking out the proviso beginning with the words, "Provided, however, in line 4 so that Canon 29, § V shall read as follows:

"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."

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 142.]

MESSAGE No. 142. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred in adopting the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 29, § V, be amended by striking out the proviso beginning with the words, "Provided, however," in line 4 so that Canon 29, § V, shall read as follows:

"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."

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred.

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

MESSAGE No. 150. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

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, amending Canon 29, § V, by striking out the proviso beginning with the words "Provided, however" in line 4.

Attest: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 168.]
The House of Deputies informs the adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, that a new Canon entitled "The Court of Appeals," to be appropriately numbered and to come in after Canon 32 be adopted in the form reported to this Commission by "The Commission to Consider Canons for the Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons with a view of Unifying and Simplifying the same." Also

Resolved, that for the purpose of harmonizing other Canons with the new Canon establishing "The Court of Appeals," the other Resolutions proposed in the Report of the aforesaid Commission be and the same are each hereby adopted.

Both paragraphs of the resolution were adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 84.]

MESSAGE No. 84. Ninth Day of Session, October 15th, 1937.

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

Resolved, that a new Canon entitled "The Court of Appeals," to be appropriately numbered and to come in after Canon 32 be adopted in the form reported to this Commission by "The Commission to Consider Canons for the Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons with a view of Unifying and Simplifying the same." Also

Resolved, that for the purpose of harmonizing other Canons with the new Canon establishing "The Court of

Canon 32, Court of Appeals—Not Adopted

The Secretary presented on the Second Day the report of the Commission to Consider Canons for the Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons with a view to Unifying and Simplifying the same.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 8).

(See Appendix No. 32).

On motion of the Bishop of Pittsburgh the Report of the Commission to consider Canons for the trial and sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons, was put on the Calendar and the resolutions appended referred to the Committee on Canons. (Second Day.)

Judge Harlan of Maryland on the Ninth Day presented the Report of the Commission to Consider Canons for the Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons with a view of clarifying and simplifying the same.

He presented the following resolution, offering it paragraph by paragraph:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a new Canon entitled "The Court of Appeals," to be appropriately numbered and to come in after Canon 32 be adopted in the form reported to this Commission by "The Commission to Consider Canons for the Trial and Sentence of Bishops, Priests, and Deacons with a view of clarifying and simplifying the same." Also

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That for the purpose of harmonizing other Canons with the new Canon establishing "The Court of Appeals," the other Resolutions proposed in the Report of the aforesaid Commission be and the same are each hereby adopted.

Both paragraphs of the resolution were adopted.
Appeals," the other Resolutions proposed in the Report of the aforesaid Commission be and the same are each hereby adopted.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on Amendments to Canon, moved the adoption of amendments to Canon 32 on the Eighth Day:

On motion of the Bishop of Eau Claire the following resolution as a substitute was adopted:

Resolved, That the proposed amendments to Canon 32A be referred to the Committee on Canons with instructions to offer such necessary amendments to the existing Canons as will secure the right of appeal in the trial of Presbyters and Deacons in matters of doctrine, faith and worship without the need of a Court of Appeals. (See Canon 29, § V.)

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on Canons, the House did not concur with Message No. 84 of the House of Deputies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 141.]

Canon 35, § 1

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Eighth Day presented Report No. 17 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with a modification of Canon 35, § 1, as follows:

Your Committee brings to the attention of the House the fact that the last sentence of § 1, Canon 35, provides for action to be taken by the Presiding Bishop, with the consent of the three Bishops next in seniority. This Canon was adopted at the time when the Presiding Bishop was the Senior Bishop, and does not fit existing conditions. Your Committee, therefore, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 35, § 1, be amended by inserting in the thirteenth line thereof after the word "three," the word "Senior"; by deleting from said thirteenth line the words "next in seniority," and by inserting in said line, after the word "Bishops" the words, "having jurisdiction in the United States," so that the sentence in which said changes occur, as amended, shall read as follows:

"The Presiding Bishop, with the consent of the three senior Bishops having jurisdiction in the United States, 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."

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 68.]
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops, concurring, That Canon 35, § I, be amended by inserting in the thirteenth line thereof after the word "three," the word "Senior"; by deleting from said thirteenth line the words "next in seniority," and by inserting in said line, after the word "Bishops" the words, "having jurisdiction in the United States," so that the sentence in which said changes occur, as amended, shall read as follows:

"The Presiding Bishop, with the consent of the three Senior Bishops having jurisdiction in the United States, 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."

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on Canons, the House concurred by a Constitutional majority with Message No. 68 of the House of Deputies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 140.]

Canon 41, § III, Subsection [i], on Physical Examination Before Marriage—Not Concurred in

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia presented on the Second Day the following Preamble and Resolution on behalf of the Council of the Diocese of Virginia, referring to physical examination before marriage:

WHEREAS, The Marriage of any person having a communicable venereal disease may lead to evil results, in the spread of the disease, in the prevention of conception, in the birth of defective offspring, and in possible separation or divorce; and

WHEREAS, These evils are harmful to the home and to the right living and to the Holy estate of matrimony; and

WHEREAS, Canon 41 of the General Church provides that Ministers shall ascertain by due inquiry the right of the parties according to the laws of this Church to contract a marriage; be it

Resolved, That the Council of the Diocese of Virginia, in session in the City of Richmond, shall, and hereby respectfully does, petition the General Convention to enact legislation forbidding any Minister of this Church to solemnize any marriage unless and until he shall receive from a qualified physician, in the case of each of the contracting parties, a certificate to the effect that he, or she, is free from any communicable venereal disease.

This was referred to the Committee on Social Service.
The Rev. Dr. Gravatt of Southwestern Virginia on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 4 of the Committee on Social Service, with regard to the resolution from the Diocese of Virginia in recommending a physical examination before marriage, and asked that it be referred to the Committee on Canons.

The resolution was so referred.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 29 of the Committee on Canons, with reference to the resolution presented from the Diocese of Virginia, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution presented from the Diocese of Virginia and favorably reported by the Committee on Social Service. This resolution requires parties desiring marriage by a Minister of this Church to present a certificate as to freedom from communicable venereal disease.

Your Committee is in favor of this resolution. It believes, however, that an amendment is necessary for the following reason: The Civil Law in a number of states already requires such certificates before the issuance of a license to marry, and your Committee feels that this requirement should not be duplicated in those states where such a law is in force. Your Committee, therefore, presents for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 41, § III, Subsection [i] be amended by inserting after paragraph [b] a new paragraph lettered [c] as follows:

[c] He shall receive from a physician satisfactory to him in the case of each of the contracting parties, a certificate to the effect that he or she is free from any communicable venereal disease, provided that such certificate shall not be required in those jurisdictions where the Civil Law requires the issuance of certificates to a similar effect before the issuance of a license for marriage.

The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 97.]

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons:

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee of Canons on the Eleventh Day the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the matter and the House did not concur with Message No. 97 of the House of Deputies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 143.]
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it does not concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 97 in amendments to Canon 41, § III.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

Canon 47, of the Music of the Church

The Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York offered on the Second Day the following resolution with regard to the use of Hymns and Anthems in the Book of Common Prayer:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 47 "of the Music of the Church" be amended as follows: In line three, after the word "Rubric," insert the following: "or by the General Convention of this Church"—so that the whole canon shall read: "It shall be the duty of every minister to appoint for use in his congregation hymns or anthems from those authorized by the Rubric or by the General Convention of this Church, and, with such assistance as he may see fit to employ from persons skilled in music, to give order. It shall be his especial duty to suppress all light and unseemly music, and all irreverence in the performance.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 11 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York, relating to Canon 47, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York, relating to Canon 47 "Of the Music of the Church."

Inasmuch as a similar matter is already under consideration by the Committee on Prayer Book, this Committee believes it inexpedient at this time to recommend any change in the existing Canon, and asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota on the Seventh Day reporting for the Committee on Amendments to Canons, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that Canon 47 "Of the Music of the Church" be amended as follows: In line three, after the word "Rubric," insert the following: "or by the General Convention of this Church,"—so that the whole Canon shall read: "It shall be the duty of every Minister to appoint for use in his Congregation hymns or anthems from those authorized by the Rubric or by the General Convention of this Church, 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."
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 56.]

Referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 30 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with Message 56 of the House of Bishops, amending Canon 47 "Of the Music of the Church", as follows:

"Your Committee has considered Message Number 56 of the House of Bishops. This Message amends Canon 47 "Of the Music of the Church" by inserting in the third line of said Canon after the word "Rubric" the words: "or by the General Convention of this Church," so that the whole Canon shall read:

"It shall be the duty of every Minister to appoint for use in his Congregation hymns or anthems from those authorized by the Rubric or by the General Convention of this Church, 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."

Your Committee recommends concurrence.

The House concurred.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 98.]

Canon 48, on Encumbering Church Property—Not Adopted

Dr. Bowen of Washington on the Fifth Day presented the following resolution amending Canon 48:

"To amend Canon 48 by striking out § II. and substituting therefor the following: 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, Congregation or Institution of this Church to make any contract whereby any property real or personal belonging to a Parish or to a Congregation, or to a Diocese, or to an Institution of this Church is encumbered or alienated, without the previous written consent of the Bishop of the Diocese of such Vestry, Trustees, or body acting with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee of the Diocese."

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Eighth Day presented Report No. 18 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the resolution presented by Dr. Bowen of Washington relating to Canon 48, § 2, as follows:

"Your Committee has considered the resolution presented by Dr. Bowen of Washington relating to Canon 48, § II, requiring the consent of the Bishop and the Standing Committee before any Vestry, Trustees or other body can alienate or encumber any real or personal property belonging to a Diocese, Parish, Congregation or other institution of this Church."
Your Committee is of the opinion that the resolution proposes a change which is so stringent in its nature that it would prevent the proper business handling of the affairs of the bodies that would be affected by the proposed change. It considers such a change in the Canon inexpedient and asks that it be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted and the committee was discharged.

Canon 49, New § III, on Standing Committees on Constitution and Canons—Not Adopted

Mr. Stuart C. Rand of Massachusetts presented on the Second Day the following resolution with reference to committees of the Houses of General Convention:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 49 be amended by adding thereto at the end of § II thereof a new section to be numbered III reading as follows:

III. [i] The Standing Committees of each House of General Convention shall include a Committee on Amendments to the Constitution and a Committee on Canons. Said Committees as appointed at any session of General Convention shall continue in office until at the next session of General Convention their successors have been appointed and organized.

[ii] Meetings of these Committees of each House shall convene without call in the places selected for the meetings of the respective Houses at 10:00 A.M. on the day preceding the day set for the opening meeting of any session of General Convention to the end that said Committees may submit reports at an early session of their respective Houses.

[iii] Every proposal for amendment to the Constitution or to the Canons must be filed in writing with the Secretary of the House of Bishops and the Secretary of the House of Deputies at least two weeks prior to the date set for the opening meeting of the session at which it is to be considered and shall forthwith be referred by said Secretaries to the appropriate Committee of each House. Unless so filed no proposal for an amendment to the Constitution or the Canons can be considered at any session of General Convention unless it be recommended for consideration by the Committee on Rules of either House.

Further resolved, That the succeeding sections of Canon 49 be re-numbered accordingly.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented on the Fourth Day Report No. 7 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution presented by Mr. Rand of Massachusetts relating to an amendment to Canon 49. It deems that no action is advisable and asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was accepted.
Canon 49, § IV, Subsection [ii], on Change of Date to June 30

The Rev. Dr. Slack of Louisiana, presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution amending Canon 49, section IV, subsection II in regard to the calendar year to be followed by the Recorder:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 49, § IV, subsection [ii], be amended by changing in line 6 and 7 the date from “on the fifteenth day of June in that year” to “on the thirtieth day of June in that year.”

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 16 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the date for Annual Reports of certain statistics, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Slack of Louisiana, relating to Canon 49, suggesting a change in § IV, Subsection [ii], of the Canon, as to the date of annual reports of certain statistics to be recorded. The change suggested by Dr. Slack is to postpone the date of said reports from the 15th day of June to the 30th day of June. Inasmuch as the latter date will always include the Trinity Ordinations, your Committee considers the change to be advisable.

Your Committee recommends for adoption the following resolutions:

Resolved, the House of Bishops, concurring, that Canon 49, § IV, Subsection [ii], be amended by deleting from the sixth and thirty-second lines thereof the word “fifteenth” and inserting in place thereof the word “thirtieth”, and by inserting in the thirty-second line thereof after the word “resident”, the word “therein”, so that the clauses in which said changes occur, as amended, shall read as follows:

“1. The names of the Clergy canonically resident therein on the thirtieth day of June in that year, with their several charges, etc.:

“9. The names of Deaconesses canonically resident therein on the thirtieth day of June in that year.”

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

The recommendation of the Committee was adopted.

Message No. 47. Seventh Day of Session, October 13, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 49, § IV, Subsection [ii], be amended by deleting from the sixth and thirty-second lines thereof the word “fifteenth” and inserting in place thereof the word “thirtieth”, and by inserting in the thirty-second line thereof after the word “resident”, the word “therein”, so that the clauses in which such changes occur, as amended, shall read as follows:
"1. The names of the Clergy canonically resident therein on the thirty day of June in that year, with their several charges," etc.

"9. The names of Deaconesses canonically resident therein on the thirty day of June in that year."  

ATTEST:  F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred with the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 58.]

Canon 49, § VI, Missionary Districts to Share in Expenses of General Convention

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Eleventh Day presented Report No. 38 of the committee on Canons, and offered the following amendment to Canon 49, Section VI, which would permit Missionary Districts to share in meeting the contingent expenses of General Convention, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the fact that Canon 49, § VI, which provides for an assessment for contingent expenses of the General Convention among the Dioceses of the Church makes no provision for a sharing in these expenses by the Missionary Districts.

It is the opinion of this Committee that such expenses should be shared by the Missionary Districts. To that end, your Committee presented for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 49 § VI, be amended as follows:

By inserting in the third line thereof after the word "Conventions" the words: "and of the convocations of the several Missionary Districts"; by inserting in the sixth line thereof, after the word "Convention" the words "as to each Diocese"; by substituting in the eighth line thereof for the words "in such Dioceses" the word "therein"; by inserting in said eighth line after the word "therein" just above provided for the words: "and as to each Missionary District an amount equal to one quarter of the above described Diocesan levy for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon canonically resident therein," so that said § VI, as amended, shall read as follows:

VI. "In order that the contingent expenses of the General Convention may be defrayed, it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions and of the Convocations of the several Missionary Districts to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, on the first Monday in September immediately preceding the meeting of the General Convention, as to each Diocese, not more than five dollars for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon, canonically resident therein, and as to each Missionary District, an amount equal to one quarter of the above described Diocesan levy for each Bishop, Presbyter, and Deacon, canonically resident therein, 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."

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 157.]
The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 180.]

Canon 49, § VII, January Substituted for September

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Tenth Day presented Report No. 36 of the Committee on Canons, offering an amendment to Canon 49, § VII, as follows:

This Committee deems it advisable that Canon 49, § VII, be amended by substituting for the word "September" in the seventh line thereof the word "January."

It, therefore, presents for adoption the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that Canon 49, § VII, be amended by substituting in the seventh line thereof for the word "September" the word "January" so that said Section as amended shall read as follows:

"VII. In order that the stipend of the Presiding Bishop and the necessary expenses of his office may be defrayed, as provided by the Canon entitled "Of the Presiding Bishop," it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions and the Convocations of Missionary Districts to forward to the Treasurer annually, on the first Monday in January a sum not to exceed four dollars for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon canonically resident in each Diocese, and similarly in each continental Missionary District a sum not to exceed two dollars and in each Extra-Continental and Foreign Missionary District a sum not to exceed one dollar. The amount of such assessments to be determined by the Committee on Expenses."

The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 110.]
The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.
[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 126.]

Canon 50, § II

Canon Sharp of Tennessee presented on the Second Day the following resolution designed to improve the wording of Canon 50:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 50, § II, be amended by deleting from the second sentence of said Section, in line 17 of the section, the words "and shall give," so that the sentence shall read, "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 confirm to the reports required in the previous section of this Canon, a condensed summary of the statistics contained" . . . (remainder unchanged).

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Mr. Alexander B. Andrews of North Carolina presented on the Second Day the following resolution with regard to statistical reports:

Amend Canon 50, § II, on pages 151 and 152 by inserting after the word "District" in line 15 on page 152 (line 4 of the Section) the words:

"Such information shall be tabulated separately for each of the three years."

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented on the Fourth Day Report No. 3 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring that Canon 50, Section 2, be amended by deleting from the tenth line thereof the words "to prepare" and by inserting said words in the thirteenth line thereof after the word "Convention"; by deleting in the seventeenth line thereof the words "and shall give"; and by adding in the twenty-fourth line thereof after the word "District" a new sentence reading: "Such information shall be tabulated separately for each of the three years" so that said § II, as amended, shall read as follows:

"Sec. 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, immediately after the adjournment of the Diocesan Convention or the Convocation of a Missionary District next preceding the regular meeting of every General Convention to prepare and forward forthwith to the Secretary of the House of Deputies, upon the blank provided for that purpose, which shall confirm to the reports required in the previous Section of this Canon, 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. Such information shall be tabulated separately for each of the three years. 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.

The above resolution was adopted.

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

The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The House concurred with Message No. 30 of the House of Deputies.

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

Canon 52, § VII

Canon Sharp of Tennessee presented on the Second Day the following resolution designated to improve the wording of Canon 52:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § VII., of Canon 52 be amended by substituting for the word “Province” in the eighth line of said section, the word “Diocese,” so that the second sentence of said section shall read, “Each Diocese may determine the qualifications of its Deputies and the manner in which they shall be chosen.”

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented on the Fourth Day Report No. 4 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring that Canon 52, § VII., be amended by deleting in the seventh, eighth and ninth lines thereof the sentence beginning “Each Province” and ending “shall be chosen” and by inserting in the Seventeenth line thereof after the word “Each” the words “Diocese and” so that said § VII, as amended shall read as follows:

“Section VII. Each Diocese within the Province shall be entitled to representation in the Provincial House of Deputies by four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese, but the Provincial Synod, by Ordinance, may increase the representation to not more than six in each order. Each 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 Diocese and Missionary District shall determine the manner in which its Deputies shall be chosen.”

The above resolution was adopted.
The foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Seventh Day.

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

**Canon 60, Title and § I [i], National Council**

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the following resolutions were adopted on the Sixth Day:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the title of Canon 60 be made:

Of the Presiding Bishop and the National Council.

And Further Be It Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that Canon 60, § I, ¶ [i] be amended to read as follows:

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 head.

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

**MESSAGE No. 33. 6th Day of Session, October 12, 1937.**

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the title of Canon 60 be made:

Of the Presiding Bishop and the National Council.

And Further Be It Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 60, §I, ¶ [i], be amended to read as follows:

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 head.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Eighth Day in Report No. 19 then presented the recommendation of the Committee on Canons, that it did not favor the substitution of the title of Canon 60 to read "THE PRESIDING BISHOP AND THE NATIONAL COUNCIL" instead of "OF THE NATIONAL
COUNCIL", and recommended concurrence with the House of Bishop's Message No. 33, with the above amendment.

The House concurred as above.

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

The Committee on Canons in Report No. 19 recommended concurrence in that portion of the House of Bishop's Message No. 33 providing for the amendment of the first paragraph of § 1 of Canon 60, to read as follows:

"Your Committee recommends concurrence in that portion of Message Number 33 providing for the amendment of the first paragraph of § 1, of Canon 60 to read as follows:

"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 head.""

The House concurred.

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

MESSAGE No. 73. Eighth Day of Session. October 14th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 33, with the following amendment, that the title of Canon 60 remain "OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL."

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The House concurred with the amendment contained in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 78.]

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 24 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Your Committee has considered Message Number 33 of the House of Bishops relating to the title of Canon 60, § 1, Subsection (i); as this matter has been fully covered by the action of the House of Deputies taken on Report Number 19 of this Committee, this Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.
Canon 60, of the National Council—General Revision of

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the following resolutions were adopted and communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 47 (Sixth Day.)

Message No. 47.

Sixth Day of Session, October 12th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Canon 60, § 1 [ii] be amended to read as follows: The officers of the National Council shall be a President, First and Second Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer with such duties as the Council shall prescribe.

II. As is.

III. The Presiding Bishop shall be ex-officio, the President of the Council and the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall be ex-officio the Treasurer of the Council. The Council shall elect the First and Second Vice Presidents and the Secretary, such elections to be upon the nomination of the President. The additional officers, agents, and employees of the Council shall be such and shall perform such duties as the Presiding Bishop and the Council may from time to time designate.

IV and V omitted.

IV. Present VI except that sub-section [i] omit words “the Chairman of the Council or by”.

V. Present VII [i], with the exception of the President, salaries of all officers of the Council, and of all agents and employees of the Council shall be fixed by the Council and paid by the Treasurer.

VI. Present VIII in [iii and iv] “Quota” changed to “objective”.

Strike out the last two sentences of sub-section 4 of present Section 8 and substitute the following:

“Each Diocese or Missionary District shall present to each parish or mission a total objective which shall include both its share of the proposed Diocesan Budget or that of the Missionary District and its share of the objective apportioned to the Diocese or Missionary District by the National Council in accordance with the plan adopted by the General Convention. The Division of funds received therefrom, shall be strictly in accordance with the relation of the total proposed budget for the Diocese or Missionary District to the total objective presented on behalf of the National Council.

VII. Present IX except that in [i] in last line, the words “Presiding Bishop and the” be inserted before the word “Council”.

VIII. Present X.

IX. Present XI.

X. Present XII.

Canon 59

Omit 2 and 3 sentences in Art. III and substitute the following single sentence: “The Presiding Bishop of the Church shall be the President
of the Society". Omit 4th sentence in Art. III so that it shall read: "The Vice President shall be the person who is the Vice President of the Council in executive charge under the Presiding Bishop of administration and shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as shall be assigned to him by the by-laws.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PAYNE, Secretary.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons, and request was made that it be available in mimeograph form before being brought up for action.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Eighth Day presented Report No. 19 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with Messages Nos. 33, 38, and 47 of the House of Bishops, and in particular to Canon 17, 59 and 60.

The report was placed on the Calendar (No. 34).

No. 34 being taken from the Calendar on the Eighth Day, being Report No. 19 of the Committee on Canons, Dr. Anderson of Georgia offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That in the consideration of the Report of Committee on Canons on-Canon 60, etc., no motion to lay on the table or to refer to recommit or to adjourn shall be taken. Individual speeches shall be limited to five (5) minutes each, and the general debate to two (2) hours, unless time is extended: and that the Chairman of the Committee be allowed ten (10) minutes to close the debate.

In regard to Message No. 47 providing for amendments to various sections and subsections of Canon 60, as before noted, your committee recommends non-concurrence in that portion of the Message No. 47 which covers the amendment of Canon 60, for the reasons heretofore stated.

The House did not concur.

In lieu of concurrence the committee presented the following resolution and recommended its adoption:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 60 be amended as follows:

(A) As to Section 1, subsection [i], by substituting for said subsection [i] the following:

[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 head.

(See Message to House of Bishops No. 73.)

(B) As to Section 1, Subsection [ii], by substituting for said Subsection [ii] the following:
The officers of the National Council shall be a President, a First and a Second Vice-President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, with such duties as the Council, pursuant to this Canon, from time to time, may prescribe.

(C) As to Section II, Subsection [i] thereof, by substituting for the existing last sentence of said subsection, the following sentence:

The President, the Vice-Presidents and the Treasurer of the Council shall be ex-officio members thereof.

The above were adopted.

At this point the Rev. Dr. Mitchell of Alabama again offered his resolution of the previous day, which was adopted as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That paragraph 4 of Subsection [ii] §II. of Canon 60 be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the word “elect” in the fourth line thereof, and inserting the word “nominate” in lieu thereof.

Mr. Howard of West Missouri again offered his resolution of the Fifth Day, amending § II:

The amendment was lost.

The Committee on Canons proceeded with its recommendation, and presented the following resolution and recommended its adoption:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 60 be amended as follows:

(D) As to § III, by striking out the entire § III, and all Subsections thereof, and substituting therefor the following:

§ III. The Presiding Bishop shall be ex-officio the President, and the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall be ex-officio the Treasurer of the Council. The Council shall elect the First and the Second Vice-President, and the Secretary, such elections to be upon the nomination of the President. The additional officers, agents, and employees of the Council shall be such and shall perform such duties as the Presiding Bishop and the Council may from time to time designate.

(E) As to § IV, by striking out § IV and all the Subsections thereof.

(F) As to § V, by striking out § V and all the Subsections thereof.

(G) As to § VI, by renumbering said section as § IV, by striking out Subsection [i.] thereof, and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

[i.] The Council shall meet at such place and at such stated times, at least four times each year, as it shall appoint and at such other times as it may be convened. The Council shall be convened at the request of the President or on the written request of any nine members thereof.

(H) As to § VII thereof, by renumbering said section as § V and by substituting for the present Subsection [i] thereof the following:

[i.] With the exception of the salary of the President the salaries of all officers of the Council and of all agents and employees of the Council, shall be fixed by the Council and paid by the Treasurer.
The above were adopted.

At this point Dr. Dibble of Western Michigan presented the following amendment to the Committee's proposal in regard to Section 6, as follows:

Resolved, That the amendment to Canon 60 proposed by the Committee on Canons in its report number 19 be amended as follows:

Amend Subsection [iii] of § VI, as renumbered, by inserting in the last sentence thereof, after the word "Council" the words, "in agreement with the Bishop and other designated representatives of each Diocese and Missionary District concerned", so that said last sentence, as amended, shall read as follows: "Such objectives shall be determined by the Bishop, in agreement with the Bishop and other designated representatives of each Diocese and Missionary District concerned, upon an equitable basis."

The amendment was lost.

The Rev. Dr. Flint of Pittsburgh presented the following amendment to the recommendation of the Committee in regard to §IV:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § IV of Canon 60, as proposed by the Committee on Canons, be amended by the deletion of the last sentence of the proposed paragraph and the insertion of the following:

"Every Diocese and Missionary District through its proper officers shall at some date previous to the beginning of the annual Canvass in that Diocese or Missionary District notify the National Council what percentage of its income for the Church's Program during the following year is intended for the work of the National Church, and that the actual division of the funds received shall be in strict conformity with such previous notification."

The amendment was lost.

The Committee on Canons proceeded with its recommendations, and presented the following resolution and recommended its adoption:

(I) As to § VIII thereof:
(a) By renumbering said § VIII as §VI.
(b) By substituting for the last sentence in Subsection [iii] the following sentence:

Such objectives shall be determined by the Council upon an equitable basis.

(c) By striking out the existing Subsection [iv] and substituting in lieu thereof the following:

[iv.] Each Diocese and Missionary District shall thereupon notify each Parish and Mission of the amount of the objective allotted to such Diocese or District and the amount of such objective to be raised by each Parish or Mission. Each Diocese and Missionary District shall present to
each Parish and Mission a total objective which shall include both its share of the proposed Diocesan budget or that of the Missionary District, and its share of the objective apportioned to the Diocese or Missionary District by the National Council, in accordance with the plan adopted by the General Convention. The division of all funds which the Diocese or Missionary District receives for these purposes shall be strictly in accordance with the proportion which the total proposed budget of the Diocese or Missionary District bears to the total objective presented on behalf of the National Council.

(J) By renumbering Sections IX, X, XI and XII as Sections VII, VIII, IX and X, respectively.

The above were adopted.

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

Canon 59 of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society

The Committee on Canons on the Eighth Day in Report No. 19 recommended as to that portion of Message 47 which relates to Canon 59, that the House do not concur with the House of Bishops.

The House did not concur.

Instead thereof the Committee recommended the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Canon 59, Article III. of the Constitution of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society be amended as follows:

By striking out in said Article III, the second, third and fourth sentences of said Article III, and substituting therefor the following:

The Presiding Bishop of the Church shall be the President of the Society; the Vice-President shall be the person who is the Vice-President of the National Council in executive charge (under the Presiding Bishop) of administration, and shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the by-laws.

Dr. Anderson of Georgia then moved the adoption of the report as a whole, as amended.

It was so voted.

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

Judge Seymour of Connecticut then moved that the amendments made today to Canons 17, 59 and 60 take effect immediately, which was adopted.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Ninth Day moved the re-consideration of his resolution of the previous day that the changes in Canons 17, 59 and 60 take effect immediately.
Re-consideration was granted.
Judge Seymour then moved that the action be rescinded.
It was so ordered.

MESSAGE No. 66.
Eighth Day of Session,
OCTOBER 14, 1937.

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. 47, amending Canon 60, with the following amendments:

§ I. [ii.], insert before "First and Second Vice-President" the article "a", so that the Subsection, as amended, shall read:

§ I. [ii.] The officers of the National Council shall be a President, a First and a Second Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer with such duties as the Council, pursuant to this Canon, from time to time, may prescribe.

§ II. [i.], insert before "General Convention" in lines seven and thirteen, the article "the".

[iii.,] fourth paragraph substitute the word "nominate" for the word "elect" in the fourth line thereof.

[iii.] as at present.

§ III, to read as follows:

§ III. The Presiding Bishop shall be ex-officio the President, and the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall be ex-officio the Treasurer, of the Council. The Council shall elect the First and the Second Vice-President and the Secretary, such elections to be upon the nomination of the President. The additional officers, agents, and employees of the Council shall be such and shall perform such duties as the Presiding Bishop and the Council may from time to time designate.

The above section replaces old § III and all of its subsection.

§ IV and § V are eliminated and the succeeding sections renumbered accordingly.

§ IV. [i.], amend to read as follows:

§ IV. [i.] The Council shall meet at such place, and at such stated times, at least four times each year, as it shall appoint and at such other times as it may be convened. The Council shall be convened at the request of the President, or on the written request of any nine members thereof.

[ii.] as at present.

§ V. [i.] The House of Deputies concurs in the amendments recommended by the House of Bishops, as follows:

§ V. [i.] With the exception of the salary of the President, the salaries of all 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.] as at present.

Renumber § VIII as § VI. Subsection [i] remains unchanged. Subsection [ii] remains unchanged.
[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 objectives shall be determined by the Council upon an equitable basis.

[v.] Each Diocese and Missionary District shall thereupon notify each Parish and Mission of the amount of the objective allotted to such Diocese or District, and the amount of such objective to be raised by each Parish or Mission. Each Diocese and Missionary District shall present to each parish and mission a total objective which shall include both its share of the proposed Diocesan Budget or that of the Missionary District and its share of the objective apportioned to the Diocese or Missionary District by the National Council in accordance with the plan adopted by the General Convention. The division of all funds which the Diocese or Missionary District receives for these purposes shall be strictly in accordance with the proportion which the total proposed budget of the Diocese or Missionary District bears to the total objective presented on behalf of the National Council.

Subsection [v.] remains unchanged.

By renumbering § IX, X, XI and XII as § VII, VIII, IX and X, respectively.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The House concurred with the foregoing Message and accepted the amendments.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 82.]

Message No. 82. Ninth Day of Session, October 15th, 1937.

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 and accepts amendments in relation to amendments to Canon 60.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

Message No. 76. Eighth Day of Session, October 14, 1937.

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. 47 relating to Article III, of Canon 59, with the following amendment:

By striking out in said Article III, the second, third, and fourth sentences of said Article III, and substituting therefor the following:

The Presiding Bishop of the Church shall be the President of the Society; the Vice-President shall be the person who is the Vice-President of the National Council in executive charge (under the Presiding Bishop) of administration, and shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the by-laws.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.
The House concurred with the foregoing Message and accepted the amendment.

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

MESSAGE No. 79. Ninth Day of Session, October 15, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 76 and accepts the amendment relative to Canon 59, Article III.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The Secretary presented by title the report of the special committee to recommend changes in the Canons designed to carry out the recommendations of the committee on reorganization of the National Council:

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware on the Fifth Day, the Report of the Special Committee to Recommend Changes in the Canons designed to carry out the Recommendations of the Committee on Reorganization was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 23 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the report of the Special Committee to recommend changes in the Canons designed to carry out the recommendations of the Committee on Reorganization of the National Council. As the subject matter of these recommendations has been fully covered by the action of the House of Deputies taken on Report No. 19 of the Committee, this Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Mitchell of Alabama on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That paragraph 4 of Subsection 2 of § II, of Canon 60 be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the word "elect," in the fourth line thereof, and inserting the word "nominate," in lieu thereof.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Mr. Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 27 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

This Committee has considered the resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Mitchell of Alabama relating to an amendment of paragraph four of Sub-
section [ii] of § I of Canon 60. As the subject matter of this resolution has been already adopted by the action of the House of Deputies taken on Report No. 19 of this Committee, this Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.

Mr. B. C. Howard of West Missouri offered on the Fifth Day the following resolution amending Canon 60 "of the National Council":

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Sub-sections [i] and Sub-section [ii] of § II, of Canon 60 entitled "Of the National Council," be amended to read as follows:

Section II. [i] The National Council, hereafter referred to as the Council, shall be composed of thirty-two members, of whom eight shall be Bishops, eight shall be Presbyters and sixteen shall be Laymen, all to be elected by the Provincial Synods:

Each Synod having the right to elect from the residents thereof one Bishop, one Presbyter and two Laymen. Such elections shall be held at the last regular meeting prior to the Triennial Meeting of the General Convention; and of four members of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council to be nominated by it and elected at each Triennial Meeting of General Convention. The Chairman, the President, the Vice-President and the Treasurer of the Council shall be ex-officio members thereof.

[ii] The term of office of the members of the Council first elected under the terms of this Canon from the odd numbered Provinces shall be for a term of three years beginning January 1, 1938 and thereafter for six years; and the term of office of those elected under the terms of this Canon from even numbered Provinces, shall be for six years; and the term of office of the members of the Council nominated by the Woman's Auxiliary shall be three years. The terms of office of all members elected as above provided shall commence on the first day of January succeeding their election. Members shall remain in office until their successors are elected and qualified.

Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the change in status of any such member by consecration or ordination or 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.

Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the death or resignation of the member elected from the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council, the Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary shall elect a suitable person to fill the portion of the term which will remain unexpired.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Mr. Rand of Massachusetts presented on the Fifth Day the following resolution amending Canon 60 "of the National Council":
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 60 be amended as follows:

By striking out of § I, Subsection [ii], the first sentence thereof and by adding at the end of said Subsection two sentences reading as follows: Said Officers, except the Treasurer, shall be elected annually by the Council. They need not be members of the Council. So that said Subsection [ii] shall read as follows:

The officers of the National Council shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers as the Council, pursuant to this Canon, from time to time may prescribe. Said officers, except the Treasurer, shall be elected annually by the Council. They need not be members of the Council.

By striking out of § III, Subsection [i], in the second, third, fourth and fifth lines thereof the words: "Elected by the House of Deputies subject to confirmation by the House of Bishops, and shall hold office for three years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. He shall be," and by striking out the entire last sentence of said Subsection, so that said Subsection as amended shall read as follows:

The president of the Council shall be the executive and administrative head of the Council.

By striking out § III, Subsection [iii].
By renumbering as § IV, Subsection [i], present § III, Subsection [iv].
By striking out the present § IV, Subsection [i].
By striking out the entire § V, Subsections [i] through [v].
By striking out from § VI, Subsection [i], in the sixth line thereof:

"The Chairman of the Council, or by the President, or on the written request of any nine members thereof," so that said Subsection shall read as follows:

The council shall meet at such place and at such stated times, at least four times each year, as it shall appoint and at such other times as it may be convened. The Council shall be convened at the request of the President, or on the written request of any nine members thereof.

By renumbering accordingly all sections after new Section IV.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut on the Eighth Day presented Report No. 20 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Your committee has considered a resolution presented by Mr. Howard of West Missouri relating to an amendment to Canon 60, and resolution presented by Mr. Rand of Massachusetts relating to the same Canon. As the judgment of the committee in regard to Canon 60 is fully incorporated in Report No. 19 already submitted, and as the Committee further considers the changes presented in the foregoing resolutions to be inexpedient, your committee asks that it be discharged from further consideration of the same.

On motion, the report of the committee was divided. The resolution of Mr. Howard of West Missouri was placed on the Calendar (No. 35).
The resolution of Mr. Rand of Massachusetts was placed on the Calendar (No. 36).

No. 35 being taken from the Calendar, being the resolution of Mr. Howard of West Missouri, Mr. Seymour of Connecticut moved that the Committee on Canons be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

This was adopted.

No. 36 being taken from the Calendar, being the resolution of Mr. Rand of Massachusetts in regard to Canon 60, Mr. Rand asked leave to withdraw his resolution.

On motion of the Bishop of Arizona on the Sixth Day, a proposed amendment to Canon 18 was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Arizona, a proposed amendment to Canon 60, Par. V. was referred to the Committee on Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota on the Seventh Day reporting for the Committee on Amendments to Canons on the proposed amendment to Canon 18 and Canon 60, Paragraph V, Sec. 1, the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the matter.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 22 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

The Committee has considered the report of the Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop with the resolutions embodied therein relating to Canon 17 and Canon 59. These matters having been fully covered by the action of the House of Deputies taken upon report No. 19 of this Committee relating to said Canon, this Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.

Census of Religious Bodies—Cooperation With

On motion of the Bishop of Washington on the Ninth Day, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that the Bishops and the Clerical and Lay Deputies to this Convention be requested to urge upon the Rectors of Parishes prompt response to the Census Report called for by the Department of Commerce for the completion of the Report of the Bureau of the Census of Religious Bodies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 86.]
The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 103.]

Children—Offerings of

The Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution dealing with the various offerings made by the children and young people of the Church:

WHEREAS, it has for many years been a part of the program of Religious Education of the Church that the boys and girls of our Church Schools have been instructed and inspired to express their Lenten self-denials and their thankfulness for their birthdays by making offerings for the furtherance and upbuilding of Christ's Kingdom; and

WHEREAS, the children of the Church have made Lenten offerings during this past Triennium amounting to the large sum of $873,787.05 and Birthday Thank Offerings of $22,675.47, and the Little Helpers have made offerings amounting to $237,05;

Therefore, Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that the General Convention express its profound gratitude to Almighty God for these generous offerings, and its sincere appreciation and commendation to the many thousands of boys and girls, the teachers and officers of our Church Schools for this splendid evidence of devotion and sacrificial interest in the work of the Church at home and abroad.

Resolved, Further, that a copy of this resolution be sent to the officers of the National Department of Religious Education and given to the Church Press.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 93.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 111.]

China Emergency Fund

The Secretary of the House of Deputies presented on the Fifth Day the following resolution adopted by the National Council:

Resolved, That the appeal for items amounting to approximately $200,000, in the Restoration Schedule, be deferred in favor of the appeal for China Relief, and also recommendation of the National Council for Emergency Fund of $300,000 for China Relief.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.
Judge Edgar E. Pomeroy of Atlanta on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Budget and Program, dealing with China disasters. He offered the following Preamble and Resolution, which were adopted:

WHEREAS, The exigencies of war have brought devastation, suffering and want, upon many of our workers, communicants and others in our Missionary field in China, to such an extent that financial assistance, in addition to our sympathy and prayer, must be at once provided for rehabilitation and relief.

Scores have been left without means of existence, many have been evacuated and need funds upon which to live and to replace their lost belongings.

Shelter and food are necessary for thousands of Chinese.

Service, medicine, supplies and temporary buildings must be provided to rehabilitate St. Luke's Hospital.

St. John's and other institutions, including St. Luke's have lost their income and rentals.

Churches, notably Our Savior and St. Paul's, have been destroyed.

Many other distressing situations are brought vividly before us with each additional report received.

The Church has for long years maintained efficient agencies in China to promote the Master’s cause and to serve humanity. These agencies and these people must be cared for at once.

Believing that the hearts of Christians are deeply sympathetic and confident of the universal desire of the Church to relieve distress and restore the facilities for this important work.

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of the Church, does hereby appeal to the members of the Church in the name of Him who suffered for humanity, for immediate assistance for these worthy causes, and

That to this end a fund of $300,000 is necessary, and

That the Presiding Bishop and the National Council are requested to present this appeal, and to collect and disburse the funds.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 78.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Ninth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 91.]

Church Pension Fund—Trustees of

Dr. Anderson of Georgia presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that a Joint Committee,
consisting of three (3) Bishops, three (3) Presbyters and three (3) Laymen be appointed to nominate Trustees of the Church Pension Fund.

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

MESSAGE No. 36.

Fourth Day of Session,
OCTOBER 9TH, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting of three (3) Bishops, three (3) Presbyters and three (3) Laymen be appointed to nominate Trustees of the Church Pension Fund.

The House on its part has appointed the following:

Presbyters
The Very Rev. Sidney E. Sweet, D.D., of Missouri.
The Rev. Edwin T. Lewis of Los Angeles.

Laymen
Mr. L. F. Monteagle of California.
Mr. R. W. B. Elliott of New York.
Captain T. H. Shields of Mississippi.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message on the Seventh Day and the Chair on the part of this House appointed:

The Bishop of New Hampshire.
The Bishop of North Carolina.
The Bishop of Pittsburgh.

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

Dean Washburn of Massachusetts on the Eighth Day presented the Report of the Committee to nominate Trustees for the Church Pension Fund, as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the House of Deputies has elected on the part of this House the following persons to serve as Trustees of the Church Pension Fund for a term of nine years, from 1937 to 1946, as follows: Rt. Rev. Warren L. Rogers, D.D.; Mr. Charles A. Goodwin, Mr. Bradford B. Locke, Mr. Charles E. Mason, Mr. William Fellowes Morgan and Mr. Samuel Thorne.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 82.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the foregoing message on the Ninth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 103.]
Mr. Philip S. Tuley of Kentucky offered on the Second Day the following Preamble and Resolution in regard to the Church Pension Fund:

WHEREAS, on March 1, 1937, the Church Pension Fund attained its Twentieth Anniversary of beneficent operation, it is eminently fitting that General Convention should now record the following survey of the origin and experience of the Fund during the twenty years past:

To the vision and inspiration of Bishop Lawrence of Massachusetts in 1910 is due the awakening of the Church to its obligation to provide greater relief to the Clergy from devastating anxiety for their families in case of death or disability—for increased and assured protection accorded not as mere charity, but as a matter of right and simple justice, in keeping with the dignity and self-respect of the ministry.

The exhaustive Report of the Joint Commission appointed by General Convention in 1910 to study the problem, earned the cordial and courageous acceptance of General Convention in 1913, and of every Diocesan Convention subsequent thereto. The campaign to obtain the required Initial Reserve of $5,660,000 met with such unprecedented success that the final total contributed was $8,700,000. The eagerness with which the Church responded to the call has been equalled by its continuing loyal support in discharging its pension assessment obligations on behalf of every active clergyman. The corporate effort of the whole Church in the first two decades of the Fund has actually exceeded 99.5% of the pension assessments canonically payable and which are the very life-blood of the Fund. Since its inception, pension benefits have exceeded $14,000,000, while the present annual pension roll is about $1,300,000. Each month its aid reaches about 2200 aged or disabled clergymen, widows and minor orphans.

Twenty years ago, the old General Clergy Relief Fund, after a half century of uncertain operation, had assets of $765,000, and an average age allowance of $262. On its Twentieth Anniversary the assets of the Church Pension Fund exceed $32,000,000, while the present average age allowance is $1,000 a year, far beyond original expectations.

The Church Life Insurance Corporation, established by the Trustees of the Fund and incorporated under the laws of New York, is its wholly owned subsidiary, formed to provide insurance and annuity facilities for the Clergy and active lay workers of the Church, the latter being excluded under the Charter of the Church Pension Fund from the benefits available only to ordained Clergymen. Reinsurance facilities for the Fund are provided by the Corporation to their mutual advantage. Operated without private profit, the Corporation provides low cost insurance in its carefully limited field, scrupulously restricted to clergy and active lay workers and members of their immediate families.

Following a precedent of the Church of England in having for over a half century an organization providing fire insurance exclusively on Church property, the Trustees of the Fund acquired a substantial interest in The Church Properties Fire Insurance Corporation after it had passed the initial stages of organization and had become firmly established. Restricting itself exclusively to the protection of ecclesiastical property, it is free alike from the moral risk and catastrophe hazards, and operates upon so favorable a basis that reduced rates are made available with premiums...
payable quarterly, without interest, resulting in large savings and greater convenience to approximately 2900 Churches now insured with it, in addition to other Church organizations, such as seminaries, schools and hospitals.

Therefore, In the light of the foregoing record and facts,

Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, (1) Grateful for God's blessing upon this extraordinary united endeavor of the Church, this General Convention bespeaks faithful continuance of its loyal and devoted consecration to the high purpose of The Church Pension Fund, and to its material support and perpetuation.

(2) General Convention records its sincere appreciation of the signal ability and untiring service of the Trustees of The Church Pension Fund and the Directors of its two affiliated organizations, The Church Life Insurance Corporation and The Church Fire Insurance Corporation, and the Officers thereof, and for their unswerving adherence to sound business policies and actuarial practices, through which such gratifying results have been achieved.

This resolution, seconded by the deputation from Massachusetts and numerous other dioceses, was unanimously passed.

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

On motion of the Bishop of West Texas on the Fourth Day the foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar.

Message No. 6 of the House of Deputies was taken from the Calendar on the Eighth Day. On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the House concurred with this Message.

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

The following Message was received on the Eighth Day from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 69. Eighth Day of Session, October 14, 1937.

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 in the Preambles and Preamble and Resolution relative to the Church Pension Fund and affiliated organizations.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

On the Second Day The Right Rev. William Lawrence, D. D., entered the House of Deputies and was asked by the President to come to the platform. The House rose to welcome him. He spoke briefly on the significance of the Twentieth Anniversary of the Church Pension Fund, gave high credit to its first Executive Secretary, Mr. Monell Sayre, and stressed the importance of the Church as a whole appreciating the actuarial principles upon which it is founded.
The Secretary of the House of Deputies on the fourth day presented the following Memorial adopted at the Convention of the Diocese of Montana on the status of adopted children on rolls of the Church Pension Fund:

WHEREAS, there are several Clergymen in this Diocese who have adopted children into their families and who feel the injustice of the present rule which denies to these children what is considered their legal right, we respectfully ask the General Convention of this Church to correct this matter by counselling the Church Pension Fund to admit legally adopted children to the privileges of the Church Pension Fund. The Convention is not unmindful that if this request is granted it may result in an increased assessment to the General Church Pension Fund.

This was referred to the Committee on the Church Pension Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Hughes of Rhode Island on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 3 of the Committee on the Church Pension Fund, as follows:

Your Committee has received the Memorial of the Convention of the Diocese of Montana relative to the extension of benefits from the Church Pension Fund to the adopted children of deceased clergymen and inasmuch as the substance of the Memorial is the same as that of the resolution considered previously, reports that it considers the matter inexpedient and begs to be discharged from further consideration of it.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers of Western North Carolina presented on the Second Day the following resolution with regard to the attitude of the Church Pension Fund toward adopted children:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in providing pensions and support for children of disabled or deceased clergymen, adopted children be not discriminated against by their elimination from the benefits granted by the Trustees of the Pension Fund to natural children.

Resolved Further, the House of Bishops concurring, That should the present expected income be deemed inadequate to provide for such pensions to adopted children, the Trustees be and are hereby directed to revise the assessments so that the income shall be adequate and such adopted children be no longer "disinherited" by the Church.

This was referred to the Committee on the Church Pension Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Hughes of Rhode Island presented on the Sixth
Day Report No. 2 of the Committee on Church Pension Fund, as follows:

Your Committee to which was referred the resolution of the Rev. G. F. Rogers of Western North Carolina on the subject of pensions and support for adopted children of deceased Clergymen respectfully reports that it has considered the same and deems it impracticable and therefore requests that it be dischanged from further consideration of the subject.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers of Western North Carolina on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution with regard to pensions for adopted children of clergy:

Recognizing the undesirability of injecting the matter of working out a proper and just provision for a pension or support for adopted children of disabled or deceased clergymen, into the system and present admirable operation of the Pension Fund:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the matter of pensions for adopted children of disabled or deceased clergymen be divorced from and considered apart from the present Pension Fund by the Trustees of the Pension Fund and that they be directed to devise a plan, after obtaining all possible information, as to adopted children of clergymen, whereby some plan may be found for the support of such children, and the plan, together with the information obtained, be reported to the next session of the General Convention.

Further, Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a commission of five (5), consisting of one Bishop, one Presbyter and three laymen be appointed whose duty it shall be to receive gifts and legacies for the purpose of establishing a fund, the income from which shall be used in furthering such plan as may be adopted by the General Convention for the purpose of providing pensions or support of dependent adopted children of deceased or disabled clergymen.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 30).

Mr. Locke of New Jersey on the Eighth Day presented the report from the Trustees of the Church Pension Fund on the subject of pensions for adopted children. He asked that it be printed as an appendix in the Journal, and this was so ordered.

(See Appendix No. 7.)

No. 30 being taken from the Calendar, being the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Rogers of Western North Carolina in regard to pensions for adopted children, Mr. Rogers spoke in favor of his resolution.

The resolution was lost.
Church Pension Fund

Wilkins, Rev. Dr. J. J.—Resolution of Appreciation of Work of

The Rev. Dr. Hughes presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution, which was adopted by a rising vote

Resolved, the House of Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring, desires to express to the Rev. J. J. Wilkins its appreciation of his valuable services in preparing the way for and establishing the Church Pension Fund by years of persistent effort in presenting to the Church the importance of the Church Pension Fund.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Colorado on the Fifth Day the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions.

On motion of the Bishop of the Philippine Islands in Report No. 2 of the same Committee, the House concurred in Message No. 22 of the House of Deputies with the following amendment:

Delete the words "and establishing" and substitute for the words "the Church Pension Fund" in the last line the words "such a Fund" so that the resolution shall read:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That we desire to express to the Rev. Dr. J. J. Wilkins our appreciation of his valuable services in preparing the way for the Church Pension Fund by years of persistent effort in presenting to the Church the importance of such a Fund.

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

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the seventh day.

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

Church Life Insurance Corporation—Benefits Not Confined to Paid Church Workers

The Rev. R. A. Kirchhoffer of Alabama presented on the second day the following Preamble and Resolution from the Convention of the Diocese of Alabama with reference to the Church Life Insurance Corporation:

Whereas, The Church Pension Fund, through its subsidiary The Church Life Insurance Corporation has wisely and thoughtfully made opportunity for the further protection of the clergy and their families by offering life insurance at cost; and, particularly, has provided the same opportunity to the lay Church workers who do not come under the provisions of the Church Pension Fund; and
WHEREAS, The policy of The Church Life Insurance Corporation seems to be to offer to sell insurance to any person who has any sort of official or functional or nominal connection with the Church's work; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the opinion of this Convention that the operations of The Church Life Insurance Corporation should be confined to insuring those servants of the Church, whether clerical or lay, (including dependent members of their families) whose income is derived in whole or in substantial part from service rendered as full-time or part-time workers in national, diocesan, or parochial Church positions, institutions or Church workers without salary; Provided, that in no case should a person be eligible for such insurance who is not a communicant of this Church in good standing. Be it further

Resolved, That our Bishop and our Deputies to General Convention be instructed to transmit this action to the next meeting of the General Convention with the request that General Convention give consideration to taking such action as will restrict the operations of The Church Life Insurance Corporation to its proper field of service.

This was referred to the Committee on the Church Pension Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Hughes of Rhode Island on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 4 of the Committee on the Church Pension Fund, dealing in detail with the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Kirchhoffer of Alabama in regard to the Church Life Insurance Corporation, as follows:

The Committee on Church Pension Fund, to which was referred the resolution offered by the Rev. R. A. Kirchhoffer, at the request of the Convention of the Diocese of Alabama would respectfully report that it has considered the resolution, including a personal presentation in its behalf by a member of the Alabama delegation, and that for the following reasons, namely,

1. That the number of applicants for insurance who do not fall within the limits of the classification proposed by the resolution, and the amount of their insurance in its relation to the total amount of insurance written by The Church Life Insurance Corporation, are and will undoubtedly continue to be very negligible; and

2. That any differentiation, whether real or apparent, in the values to the Church's Life and work, of services rendered by paid, part-paid or voluntary, full-time or part-time workers for the Church, would appear to be at least unfortunate if not indeed quite unjustified; and

3. That the proposed restrictions would work a real hardship on a proportion of earnest and loyal employees of and workers for the Church, who are not yet in fact communicants of the Church; and

4. That every applicant for insurance becomes a source of encouragement, and his acceptance by the company becomes an incentive for applications by other Church workers, or at the least, for their more serious consideration of the matter of protection in The Church Life Insurance Corporation, at rates which are within their financial reach; and
5. That the Church Pension Fund, as such, would, by any further limitation of The Church Life Insurance Corporation, suffer no inconsiderable potential shrinkage of its capacity to attain the ideal of the highest possible pensions to our retired clergy and the widows and orphans of our clergy; and

For other reasons of similar import,

It is the judgment of this Committee that this resolution ought not to pass.

The Committee therefore so recommends and asks that it may be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

The Committee also feels that paid lay workers who are not eligible under the Social Security Act should be encouraged to take advantage of the opportunity offered by The Church Life Insurance Corporation.

The report was adopted.

Church Pension Fund—Clergy—Disability Insurance for

Mr. Houston of Pennsylvania on Seventh Day presented the following resolution with regard to disability insurance for the clergy:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Committee on the Church Pension Fund are hereby requested to investigate the desirability and practicability of establishing disability insurance for the clergy; the cost of such insurance; the assessments necessary to defray this cost; and all relevant facts, and to report to the next General Convention.

This was referred to the Committee on the Church Pension Fund.

The Rev. Dr. Hughes of Rhode Island on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 5 of the Committee on the Church Pension Fund, dealing with the resolution of Mr. Houston of Pennsylvania in regard to disability insurance for the clergy, and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Trustees of the Church Pension Fund are hereby requested to investigate the desirability and practicability of establishing disability insurance for the clergy; the cost of such insurance; the assessments necessary to defray this cost; and all relevant facts, and to report to the next General Convention.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 89.]

The House of Bishops concurred with the foregoing Message on the tenth day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 107.]
City Mission Work—Commission Continued

The Bishop of Long Island on the Eleventh Day presented the Report of the Commission on City Mission Work with the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on City Mission work be continued.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 157.]

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 182.]

Clergy—Joint Commission on

Report of
Joint Commission Continued
Sub-Committee to Study Clerical Unemployment

The Very Rev. R. F. Philbrook of Iowa presented on the Fifth Day the report of the Joint Commission for the Placement of the Clergy.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 15).

(See Appendix No. 8.)

Dean Philbrook of Iowa on the Eighth Day presented the Triennial Report of the Commission for the Placement of Clergy.

The report was received.

On motion of the Bishop of Los Angeles, the Report of the Commission for the Placement of the Clergy was put on the Calendar.

The Bishop of West Texas presented the Report of the Commission for the Placement of the Clergy. The following resolutions were adopted on the Sixth Day:

Be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Presiding Bishop appoint a Sub-Committee consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen to study the question of clerical unemployment.

Be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the matter of the establishment of files of information upon the record and achievement of the clergy be referred to the Provinces.

Be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the matter of clinical training within the required theological course be referred to the Commission on Theological Education.
Be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the matter of preparation and probation for men seeking the ministry of this Church from all other Christian ministries be referred to the Committee on the Ministry.

Be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Commission be continued for further study of this subject.

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

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar (No. 26).

No. 26 being taken from the Calendar on the Eighth Day, being Message No. 43 of the House of Bishops, the House concurred in said Message.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops in Message No. 65.]

MESSAGE No. 65.

Eighth Day of Session,

OCTOBER 14th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 43, appointing a Sub-Committee to study the question of clerical unemployment, etc.

The House on its part has appointed the following:

Presbyters
1. Venerable C. C. Burke of Arkansas.
2. Very Rev. Edwin S. Lane of Arizona.

Laymen
1. Mr. John J. Saunders of Kentucky.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The Presiding Bishop appointed the following on the part of the House of Bishops:

The Bishop of Spokane.
The Bishop of Rochester.

The Chair in the House of Bishops on the eleventh day made the following appointments:

On the Commission on the Placement of Clergy—
The Bishop of West Texas.
The Bishop of Los Angeles.
The Bishop of Olympia.
The Bishop of Idaho.
Very Rev. N. R. High-Moor, D.D., 325 Oliver St., Pittsburgh.
Very Rev. Rowland F. Philbrook, 121 W. 12th St., Davenport, Iowa.
On motion of the Bishop of Michigan the Commission for the Placement of the Clergy was instructed to study the forms of placement employed in other religious bodies (Sixth Day).

The Secretary presented on the Fourth Day the following Memorial of the Diocese of Long Island on clergy placements:

WHEREAS, There is at present no suitable method or system by which the clergy of our Church desiring employment, and the Parishes and Missions needing Rectors can get in contact.

Therefore, be it Resolved, That the Diocese of Long Island memorialize the General Convention to appoint a permanent Commission on "Clerical Placement and Salaries," to consist of two Bishops, two Priests and two Laymen whose duties it shall be:

1. To establish and equip a National office on Clergy placement.
2. To employ a secretary and such clerical help as may be necessary to develop a clearing house where Bishops, unemployed Clergy and vacant Parishes may be brought in contact of mutual helpfulness.
3. To set up a clearing house; to secure from Diocesan Journals, Journals of the General Convention, Clerical Directories and all other possible sources a complete roster of all the Parishes and Missions, said roster and list to embody such information as may be useful to the Bishops, Presbyters and Parishes in securing mutual understanding and help.

This was referred to the Joint Commission to Study the Question of the Placement of Clergy.

Clergy—Master List of

The Rev. W. S. Slack, D.D., of Louisiana, offered on the Second Day the following resolution in regard to a master list of ordained clergy:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Treasurer of the General Convention be and is hereby authorized and instructed to pay to the Recorder of Ordinations the sum of $500 to enable him to make an alphabetical list of the clergy ordained in this Church from August 3, 1785, to date.

This was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 3 of the Committee on Expenses, as follows:
The Committee on Expenses has considered the resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Slack of Louisiana, and recommends the resolution, with an amendment as follows:

"to be paid at the discretion of the Treasurer of General Convention during the coming triennium."

The resolution as amended was adopted.

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

Message No. 50. Seventh Day of Session, October 13th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Treasurer of the General Convention be and is hereby authorized and instructed to pay to the Recorder of Ordinations the sum of $500 (five hundred dollars), to enable him to make an alphabetical list of the clergy ordained in this Church from August 13, 1785, to date, to be paid at the discretion of the Treasurer of General Convention during the coming triennium.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The House concurred with the foregoing on the Seventh Day.

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

Clergy—Salaries Paid the—Joint Commission to Make Survey of

The Rev. Oscar F. Green of California on the Second Day offered the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Commission of three Bishops and three Clerical and three Lay Deputies be appointed to make a survey of the salaries paid the Clergy of the Church, to offer suggestions as to how the present unequal remunerations may be adjusted, and to report to the next General Convention.

This was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

The Rev. Dr. Gravatt, of Southwestern Virginia on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 3 of the Committee on Social Service, dealing with the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Green of California, with regard to a commission to survey clergy salaries. The committee asked that the resolution be placed on the Calendar.

It was placed upon the Calendar (No. 28).

No. 28 being taken from the Calendar on the Ninth Day, being the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Green of California, he again moved its adoption.
The resolution was adopted as above.

The President announced the appointment of the following on the part of this House:

The Rev. Oscar F. Green of California, Rev. Donald H. Wattley of Louisiana, Rev. Robert H. Atchison of Springfield, Dr. Benjamin F. Finney of Tennessee, Mr. George L. Swartz of Nevada and Mr. O. W. Moehle of Eau Claire.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 95.]

MESSAGE No. 95. Ninth Day of Session, October 15th, 1937.

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 of three Bishops and three Clerical and three Lay Deputies be appointed to make a survey of the salaries paid the Clergy of the Church, to offer suggestions as to how the present unequal remunerations may be adjusted, and to report to the next General Convention.

This House on its part has appointed the following:

Presbyters
2. Rev. Donald H. Wattley of Louisiana.

Laymen
1. Dr. Benjamin F. Finney of Tennessee.
2. Mr. George L. Swartz of Nevada.
3. Mr. O. W. Moehle of Eau Claire.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred with the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 148.]

MESSAGE No. 148. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 95, regarding a Commission to make a survey of the salaries paid the Clergy of the Church.

The Chair on the part of this House has appointed:

The Bishop of Connecticut.
The Bishop of Missouri.
The Bishop of Kentucky.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARKER, Secretary.
Colored People—Sixth Triennial Conference of Church Workers Among

The Secretary of the House of Bishops on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution from the Woman's Auxiliary which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary urge that General Convention give sympathetic consideration to the request of the Sixth Triennial Conference of Church Workers among Colored People.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 93.]

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 107.]

The following resolution was received from the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary on the Ninth Day:

Resolved, That the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary urge that General Convention give sympathetic consideration to the request of the Sixth Triennial Conference of Church Workers among Colored People.

Inasmuch as affirmative action on this request had already been taken by the Convention, no action was necessary.

Colleges—Report of Committee on Visitation and Consultation of Church

Dr. Walter Hullihen of Delaware presented the report of the Committee on Visitation and Consultation of the Church Colleges.

This was referred to the Committee on Education.

(See Appendix No. 5.)

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Christian Education, as follows:

Your Committee, to which was referred the report of the Committee on Visitation and Consultation of Church Colleges, reports that it believes that this report in whole or in part should be submitted to the Convention by a member of that Committee, and asks to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The report was adopted.

Archdeacon Hodgkin of California on the Ninth Day presented
the report of the Committee on Visitation and Consultation of the Church Colleges.

The report was received.

Committees and Commissions, Chairmen of Two Houses to Fill Out Membership on

Dr. Anderson of Georgia presented the following resolution on the Twelfth Day:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the presiding officers of both Houses be authorized to fill out the membership of Commissions and Committees after adjournment by furnishing names to the secretaries of the respective Houses.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 183.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 193.]

Committees and Commission—Joint—Discharge of Those Having Completed Their Work

On motion of the Bishop of Dallas, the following resolution was adopted on the Third Day:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Commission of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen, be appointed to ascertain the Status of all the Commissions on our records and to advise the Convention as to what Commissions have completed their work and should be discharged.

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

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Fourth Day.

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

The President appointed on the Fifth Day the following to represent this House on the Joint Commission to Study the Status of all the Commissions on our records and to advise the Convention as to what Commissions have completed their work and should be discharged:
This House on its part has appointed the following:


Laymen.—Mr. Charles S. Shoemaker of Pittsburgh, Judge M. M. Baldwin of Alabama.

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

The Chair in the House of Bishops appointed on this Committee:

The Bishop of Dallas.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Virginia.

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

The Rev. Irving G. Rouillard of Albany presented Report No. 1 of the Joint Commission to study the Status of all Joint Commissions on our records, stating that the committee had organized by the election of the Bishop of Dallas as Chairman, and the Rev. Irving G. Rouillard of Albany as Secretary.

The Rev. Mr. Rouillard of Albany on the Tenth Day presented Report No. 2 of the Joint Committee on the Status of all Commissions, as follows:

We would respectfully report as follows:

This Commission has conducted some research in the records, and has contacted the chairmen of the various recorded commissions to establish one or more of three factors:

1. How long has it been since such Commission has had a meeting?
2. Is there any item of the life of the Church or policy of General Convention being considered or studied?
3. Has any report been presented, or action being proposed to this Convention?

Proceeding in this spirit, and after such method, this Committee would state it believes the following commissions should be discharged:

1. Committee (listed page VII, Convention Journal, 1934) appointed to Consider Status of Bishops, Coadjutor and Suffragan Bishops, with a view to suggesting such changes in Constitution and Canons as would provide for one class of Assistant or Auxiliary Bishop, to take the Place of both Coadjutors and Suffragans.

2. National Commission on Evangelism (listed page VIII-IX, Convention Journal, 1934) has at its request been discharged.

We recommend that the Standing Committee of the House of Deputies on Evangelism (listed page IX, Convention Journal, 1934) be likewise discharged.

3. Commission to consider and Evaluate the Activities of National Council (page XII).
4. Commission to Take Under Consideration the Question Relating to the Dissolution of Pastoral Relations and Respecting Unemployed Clergymen (page XII).

5. Commission on Prayer Book in Italian (page XII).

6. Special Committee on a Spanish Version of the Prayer Book (page XII).

7. Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop to study all questions relating to that subject and report to the Convention of 1937 (page XIII).

8. Joint Committee on Provinces, to which shall be referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces (page XIII).

This Committee would further refer to certain commissions, with regard to which we can give no definite recommendation:


This Commission refuses to be classed as dead, but admits little evidence of life.

We state, not as our judgment, but as the opinion of the chairman of the Commission on Church Architecture, that it should be reorganized.

2. The same condition pertains to the Commission on the Revision of the Hymnal (page X). The Senior Bishop of this Commission states it should be discharged. Perhaps here is another need for revision of the personnel of the Commission itself. But, in this instance, your Committee on Status would make bold to ask: "Why not consolidate it with the Commission on Church Music"?

The Committee on Status would further call attention to the existence of two Joint Commissions, which have been continued, and which should therefore have a place in the next Convention Journal when printed:

(a) Joint Commission to Petition Congress on Non-Combatant Service.

(b) Joint Commission on the Universal Christian Council.

We note four different classifications of committees and commissions, as printed in the Journal: advisory committee, standing committee, joint committee, joint commission. We ask, have these distinctions real significance? If so, we suggest that a definition of each be printed in the Journal as a matter of information preceding the listing of committees and commissions.

We recommend that the Commission on the Work of Deaconesses be constituted as an Advisory Committee, like the Advisory Committee to the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, if its continuance be requested, and that its personnel be revised.

The committee would move the attached resolutions.

Your committee then asked to be discharged.

The following resolutions, attached to the report of the committee, were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following commissions and committees be discharged:
1. Committee to Consider Status of Bishops Coadjutor and Suffragan Bishops with a View to Suggesting Such Changes in Constitution and Canons as Would Provide for One Class of Assistant or Auxiliary Bishops, to Take the Place of Both Coadjutors and Suffragans.


3. Commission to Consider and Evaluate the Activities of the National Council.

4. Commission to Take Under Consideration the Question Relating to the Dissolution of Pastoral Relations and Respecting Unemployed Clergymen.


6. Special Committee on a Spanish Version of the Prayer Book.

7. Joint Committee on Provinces to Which Shall Be Referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Work of Deaconesses be constituted an Advisory Committee.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Status of all Commissions be discharged.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 119.]

MESSAGE NO. 119.

Tenth Day of Session,

OCTOBER 16TH, 1937.

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 commissions and committees be discharged:

1. Committee to Consider Status of Bishops Coadjutor and Suffragan Bishops with a View to Suggesting Such Changes in Constitution and Canons as Would Provide for One Class of Assistant or Auxiliary Bishops, to Take the Place of Both Coadjutors and Suffragans.


3. Commission to Consider and Evaluate the Activities of the National Council.

4. Commission to Take Under Consideration the Question Relating to the Dissolution of Pastoral Relations and Respecting Unemployed Clergymen.


6. Special Committee on a Spanish Version of the Prayer Book.

7. Joint Committee on Provinces to Which Shall Be Referred the Report of the Commission on Provinces.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Work of Deaconesses be constituted an Advisory Committee.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Status of all Commissions be discharged.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.
The House concurred with the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 121.]

Cook, Rt. Rev. Philip, D.D.—Appreciation for Services as President of the National Council

The Rev. Mr. Atwater of Easton on the Eleventh Day presented the following resolution of appreciation of the services given the Church by the Rt. Rev. Philip Cook, D.D., as President of the National Council, as follows:

Resolved, That an expression of the deep appreciation of this House be and hereby is extended to the Rt. Rev. Philip Cook, D.D., Bishop of Delaware and President of the National Council, for his very faithful and efficient work as President of the National Council of this Church.

The resolution was adopted.

The action of the House was conveyed to the House of Bishops by Message No. 131.

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 166.]

On motion of the Bishop of Albany on the Eleventh Day the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this Convention express its heartfelt gratitude and appreciation to the Bishop of Delaware for his invaluable services as President of the National Council. At great sacrifice on his own part and of his Diocese, he has devoted himself with unflagging devotion and untiring energy to the prosecution of his duties and under circumstances of unusual difficulty has been largely responsible for enabling the Church to carry on as well as it has during the past triennium.

He has rendered exceptional service of heart and mind, and placed the whole Church under a debt. We wish to record our deep appreciation of the contribution he has made and our affectionate esteem for him as a Bishop of the Church and fellow member of this House.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 133.]

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 151.]
Constitution—Article I, Sec. 3—Proposed Amendment (Not Adopted)

The Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago presented the following resolution dealing with the Constitution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Section 3 of Article I. of the Constitution be made a separate article, numbered Article II., and that the following articles be renumbered accordingly.

This was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

Archdeacon Purdy of Albany on the Twelfth Day presented Report No. 6 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, as follows:

The Committee on Amendments to the Constitution to whom was referred the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago relating to the Codification of Article I. of the Constitution respectfully reports that they have considered the same and report that action thereon is inexpedient at this time and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

The report was adopted.

Constitution—Article I., Sec. 3—Amendment Ratified

The following amendment to the Constitution proposed at the General Convention of 1934 came up for ratification on the Second Day.

Amend Article I., Sec. 3, of the Constitution by striking out from the sixth line thereof the word "the", and in the seventh line thereof the words "entitled to vote in the House of Bishops"; and by inserting after the word "Bishops" the words "excluding retired Bishops not present"; so that said sentence shall read as follows:

"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 Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, 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."

The roll was called by orders with the following result: Clerical vote, aye 72, no 0; lay vote, aye 71, no 0.

The amendment was accordingly ratified.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 9.]
CONSTITUTION—AMENDMENTS TO

MESSAGE No. 9.

Fourth Day of Session, October 9th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders, it has ratified the following Amendment to the Constitution as originally adopted by the General Convention of 1934:

Amend Article I., Sec. 3, of the Constitution by striking out from the sixth line thereof the word "the", and in the seventh line thereof the words "entitled to vote in the House of Bishops"; and by inserting after the word "Bishops" the words "excluding retired Bishops not present"; so that said sentence shall read as follows: "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 Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, 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."

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, reporting for the Committee on Canons, the House concurred by a Constitutional majority with Message No. 9 of the House of Deputies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 137.]

MESSAGE No. 137. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs with a Constitutional majority with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 9 adopting amendment to Article I., Sec. 3 of the Constitution.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

Constitution—Article I., Sec. 4—Proposed Amendment (Not Adopted)

The Rev. C. C. Burke of Arkansas presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution amending Article 1, Section 4 of the Constitution, designed to limit representation in General Convention in proportion to missionary giving:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Article I., Sec. 4, be amended by inserting in the fourth paragraph thereof after the words "having domicile in the Diocese", a diocese entitled to representation by four Presbyters and four Laymen must pay assessment for missions 100%. When only 75% of assessment for missions is paid the Diocese shall be entitled to representation by three Presbyters and three Laymen.
When only 50% of assessment for missions is paid the Diocese shall be entitled to representation by two Presbyters and two Laymen. When less than 50% of the assessment for missions is paid the Diocese shall be entitled to representation by one Presbyter and one Layman.

The Assessment shall include up to the 31st day of December preceding the meeting of General Convention.

The General Convention may remit part or all the assessment for missions, where there is good reason given for nonpayment of the assessment for missions. Strike out all in paragraph 4 ending with the words "two Deputies in each order."

This was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

Professor Beale of Massachusetts presented on the Sixth Day Report No. 4 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, dealing with the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Burke of Arkansas, amending Article I, Section 4 of the Constitution so that representation of Dioceses in General Convention would depend upon missionary giving, as follows:

The committee finds that said resolution is inexpedient, and asks to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The report was adopted.

Constitution—Article II., Secs. 3 and 6 (Not Adopted)

The Bishop of Minnesota on the Fourth Day, reporting for the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution in Report No. 3, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Constitution, Article II., Sec. 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 prescribed by the Canons of General Convention.

The resolution was defeated by a vote of 29-53.

The Bishop of Minnesota on the Twelfth Day presented the following proposed amendment to the Constitution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses in order that the same may be adopted by the next General Convention in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution.

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

Provided, that this Section shall not apply to a Bishop resigning to accept other Episcopal election.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the above proposed amendment was laid upon the table.

Constitution—Article II., Sec. 4—Amendment (Not Ratified)

The following amendment to the Constitution, proposed at the General Convention of 1934, came up for ratification on the Eleventh Day:

Amend Article II., Sec. 4, so that the first sentence thereof shall read as follows:

"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 vote in the House of Bishops, except as otherwise provided in the Constitution."

The roll was called by orders, with the following result:

Clerical—Aye, 39; no, 29; divided, 2.
Lay—Aye, 21; no, 29; divided, 3.

The amendment was not ratified.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 144.]

MESSAGE No. 144. Eleventh Day of Session, OCTOBER 18TH, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has voted not to ratify the amendment to Article II., Sec. 4, of the Constitution, as proposed at the General Convention of 1934.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the following resolution was adopted by a Constitutional majority:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article II., Sec. 4, be amended as proposed at the General Convention of 1934, and to be finally acted upon at the Convention of 1937 so that the first sentence thereof shall read as follows:
"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 vote in the House of Bishops except as otherwise provided in the Constitution."

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

MESSAGE No. 136, Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution by a constitutional majority:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That Article II., Sec. 4, be amended as proposed at the General Convention of 1934, and to be finally acted upon at the Convention of 1937 so that the first sentence thereof shall read as follows:

"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 vote in the House of Bishops except as otherwise provided in the Constitution."

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

Inasmuch as the House of Deputies had declined to ratify said proposed Amendment, no action was taken.

Constitution—Article VI., Sec. 2—Amendment Ratified

Professor Beale of Massachusetts on the Seventh Day moved that the House ratify the action of General Convention of 1934 amending Article VI, Section 2 of the Constitution.

After some discussion action was postponed until tomorrow.

The following amendment to the Constitution, proposed at the General Convention of 1934, came up for ratification on the Eighth Day as follows:

Amend Article VI., Sec. 2, so that the second paragraph thereof shall read as follows:

"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, save that in the case of retrocession of territory the consent of parishes within the territory retroceded shall not be necessary; 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."

The roll was called by orders, with the following result:

Clergy vote—Aye, 71; no, 1; divided, 1.

Lay vote—Aye, 64; no, 2.
The amendment was accordingly ratified.

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

MESSAGE No. 62.  
Eighth Day of Session,  
OCTOBER 14TH, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Article VI., Sec. 2, of the Constitution be amended, as proposed at the General Convention of 1934 and to be finally acted upon at the Convention of 1937, so that the second paragraph thereof will read as follows:

"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, save that in the case of retrocession of territory the consent of parishes within the territory retroceded shall not be necessary; 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."

The foregoing message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on Canons the House concurred by a constitutional majority with Message No. 62 of the House of Deputies amending Article VI., Section 2 of the Constitution.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 88.]

MESSAGE No. 88.  
Ninth Day of Session,  
OCTOBER 15TH, 1937.

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 of the House of Deputies amending Article VI., Sec. 2, of the Constitution by a vote of a constitutional majority.

Attest:  CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

Constitution—Article X—Amendment Ratified

The following amendment to the Constitution proposed at the General Convention of 1934 came up for ratification:

Amend Article X. so that the second sentence thereof shall read as follows:

"No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese 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 all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, 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."

The roll was called by orders with the following result: clerical vote, aye 72, no 0; lay vote, aye 70, no 0.

The amendment was accordingly ratified.

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

MESSAGE NO. 10.

Fourth Day of Session,
OCTOBER 9TH, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders, it has ratified the following Amendment to the Constitution as originally adopted by the General Convention of 1934:

Amend Article X. so that the second sentence thereof shall read as follows:

"No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese 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 all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, 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."

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Com-
mittee on Canons, the House concurred by a Constitutional ma-

jority with Message No. 10 of the House of Deputies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 138.]


The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has con-
curred with a constitutional majority with the House of Deputies in
adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 10 amending
Article X. of the Constitution.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

Constitution—Article XI—Amendment Ratified

The following amendment to the Constitution proposed at the
General Convention of 1934 came up for ratification:

А mend Article XI. to read as follows:

"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 Con-
vention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention
at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next
succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired
Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in
the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies
of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies
voting by orders."

The roll was called by orders with the following result: clerical
vote, aye 72, no 0; lay vote, aye 71, no 0.

The amendment was accordingly ratified.

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

MESSAGE No. 11. Fourth Day of Session, OCTOBER 9TH, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that by a
majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to
representation on the House of Deputies voting by orders, it has ratified
the following Amendment to the Constitution as originally adopted by
the General Convention of 1934:

А mend Article XI. to read as follows:

"No alteration of 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 Con-
vention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention
at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next
succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired
Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders."

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the foregoing Message was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on Canons, the House concurred by a Constitutional majority with Message No. 11 of the House of Deputies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 139.]

Message No. 139. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it concurs with a constitutional majority with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 11 amending Article XI of the Constitution.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

Constitution—Article XI—Amendment Adopted—To Be Ratified in 1940

Judge Philip S. Parker of Massachusetts presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution amending Article XI of the Constitution:

No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be proposed at one triennial meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies, and all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States, voting by orders.

This was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

Professor Beale of Massachusetts presented on the Sixth Day Report No. 5 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, amending Article XI of the Constitution. The committee recommended the adoption of this Amendment, and asked that it be placed on the Calendar (No. 22).
No. 22 being taken from the Calendar on the Eleventh Day being the proposed amendment to Article XI of the Constitution, it was adopted, after being edited by the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted by the next General Convention in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution:

Amend Article XI. of the Constitution by adding in the fifth line after the word "Diocese" the words "and the Convocation of every Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States".

And in the sixth line after the word "Convention" add the words "or the Missionary District Convocation".

And in the eleventh line after the word "Dioceses" add the words "and of all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States".

So that the Article, as amended, shall read:

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 and of the Convocation of every Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention or the Missionary District Convocation at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses and of all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders."

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 170.]

MESSAGE NO 170

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following change be made in the Constitution, and that the proposed alteration be made known to the several Dioceses, in order that the same may be adopted by the next General Convention in accordance with Article XI. of the Constitution:

Amend Article XI. of the Constitution by adding in the fifth line after the word "Diocese" the words "and the Convocation of every Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States".

And in the sixth line after the word "Convention" add the words "or the Missionary District Convocation".
And in the eleventh line after the word "Dioceses" add the words "and of all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States".

So that the Article, as amended, shall read:

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 and of the Convocation of every Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention or the Missionary District Convocation at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses and of all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders."

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 185.]

MESSAGE No. 185. Twelfth Day of Session, October 19th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 170 on the proposed Amendment in Article XI. of the Constitution.

ATTERT: CHARLES L. PARDEE, SECRETARY.

Deaconesses—Report of Joint Commission on
Pensions for Deaconesses

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the Report of the Joint Commission on the work of Deaconesses was put on the Calendar (Second Day).

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the Report of the Joint Commission on the work of Deaconesses was accepted and the recommendations adopted. (Second Day)

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

MESSAGE No. 10. Second Day of Session, October 7th, 1937.

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 Commission on the Work of Deaconesses be accepted and the Commission continued.

ATTERT: CHARLES L. PARDEE, SECRETARY.
The House of Deputies concurred with the House of Bishops:

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

**MESSAGE No. 17.**

*Fourth Day of Session, October 9th, 1937.*

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 with reference to the Report of the Joint Commission on the Work of Deaconesses and the continuance of the Commission.

**ATTEST:** F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The Secretary presented in the House of Deputies on the Second Day the report of the Joint Commission on the Work of Deaconesses.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 9).

(See Appendix No. 9).

No. 9 being taken from the calendar on the Fourth Day being the report of Joint Commission on the Work of Deaconesses, was presented by Mr. Seymour of Connecticut.

This report was received and the four accompanying resolutions were adopted.

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

**MESSAGE No. 31.**

*Fourth Day of Session, October 9th, 1937.*

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 Joint Commission on the Work of Deaconesses be accepted, and that the following resolutions be adopted:

1. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention commends to the members of the Church the Retiring Fund for Deaconesses as a proper and necessary means for providing for the needs of Deaconesses who have had to retire from active service because of illness or age, and that the members of the Church be urged to make gifts of money to that Fund.

2. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention recognizing the necessity for adequate training for Candidates for the Order of Deaconesses, draws the attention of the Church to the propriety of providing scholarships in the Church Training Schools where that training may be had.

3. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention suggests to the Bishops and other Clergy the desirability of presenting the history of the Order of Deaconesses, the requirements for Candidates,
and the present work and opportunity of the order, to eligible women as a vocation for life service.

4. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on the work of Deaconesses be continued.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

Consideration of the foregoing Message was deferred in the House of Bishops. (See previous action above.)

The Rev. Edwin J. Randall, S.T.D. of Chicago, presented the following Memorial from the Diocese of Chicago with reference to providing pensions for deaconesses:

The Diocese of Chicago, assembled in the One Hundredth Annual Convention, petitions the General Convention to provide, through the Church Pension Fund or otherwise, a system of pensions for the Order of Deaconesses in the Church.

This was referred to the Commission on the Work of Deaconesses.

Domestic Field—Joint Commission on Appropriations by the National Council in

On the motion of the Bishop of Delaware, the Report of the Commission entitled “The Joint Commission on Apparent Disparity Between both Quotas and Appropriations to Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses” was accepted and the resolutions appended adopted. (Second Day)

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

Dr. Kearny of Louisiana, presented on the fifth day the report of the Joint Committee on Aided Dioceses and Missionary Districts.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 17).

(See Appendix No. 1.)

Message No. 9.

Second Day of Session, October 7th, 1937.

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 entitled the “Joint Commission on Apparent Disparity between both Quotas and Appropriations to Missionary Districts and Aided Dioceses” be authorized to investigate and report upon the recommendation made to General Convention as follows:

That consideration be given to the discontinuance of Missionary Districts in Continental United States in order that a more equitable dis-
DISTRIBUTION OF AID TO DIOCESES BE POSSIBLE IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEMONSTRATED NEEDS."

Further Resolved, That the name of this Commission be changed and entitled—

"A Joint Commission on Appropriations by the National Council in the Domestic Field."

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Fourth Day.

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

No. 17 being taken from the Calendar, on the Fifth Day being the Report of the Joint Commission on Aided Dioceses and Missionary Districts, it was presented by Dr. Kearny of Louisiana.

This report was received.

Dr. Kearny of Louisiana moved that the first three resolutions attached to the report be adopted. They were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission appointed to study the apparent discrepancy between the quotas assigned to Aided Dioceses and Missionary Districts be continued under the title of a Joint Commission on Appropriations made by the National Council in the Domestic Field.

Resolved Further, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Commission be reapointed by the appointment by the Chairman of the House of Bishops of five Bishops, and by the appointment by the President of the House of Deputies of five Presbyters, and five Laymen to serve on the same.

Resolved Further, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Commission be requested to make a new evaluation of projects receiving appropriations in the field of Continental Domestic Missions, and report its findings to the National Council and to the next meeting of General Convention.

This House has appointed on its part the following:


Laymen—Dr. Warren Kearny, of Louisiana; Mr. W. D. Swain, of South Dakota; Mr. Thomas Scott, of Southwestern Virginia; Mr. C. H. McBean, of Northern Michigan; Dr. Frank W. Moore, of Central New York.

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

Dr. Kearny withdrew the fourth resolution attached to the report, inasmuch as affirmative action had already been taken in Message No. 9 of the House of Bishops.
Because the matter of this Message No. 34 seemed to have been disposed of in Message No. 9 of this House, consideration of this Message was deferred until the reply to that Message be received from the House of Deputies.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware the House concurred with Message No. 34 of the House of Deputies and the Chair appointed on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Delaware.
The Bishop of Tennessee.
The Bishop of Eastern Oregon.
The Bishop of Kansas.
The Bishop of Western Massachusetts.


Mr. Samuel Thorne of New York presented on the Second Day the report of the National Commission on Evangelism.

The above was placed on the Calendar (No. 10).

(See Appendix No. 12).

No. 10 being taken from the calendar on the Fourth Day being the report of the National Commission on Evangelism, was presented by Mr. Thorne of New York.

This report was received and the resolutions attached thereto were adopted and the Commission discharged.

On motion of the Bishop of New Hampshire, the Report of the National Commission on Evangelism was placed on the Calendar. (Second Day)

On motion of the Bishop of New Hampshire, the Report of the National Commission on Evangelism was accepted and the resolutions adopted. (Second Day)

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

MESSAGE No. 8. Second Day of Session, October 7th, 1937.

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 greeting be sent to the Methodist Episcopal Church and particularly to its Committee on Evangelism:
WHEREAS, On May 24th, 1738, at Aldersgate Street, London, England, the Rev. John Wesley, a member of the Anglican Communion, passed through a spiritual experience having far-reaching results upon his life's work, and

WHEREAS, The Clerical and Lay Deputies in General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America assembled have learned with interest that on May 24th, 1938, a wide recognition of the two hundredth anniversary of this event is being planned under the auspices of the Committee on Evangelism of the Methodist Episcopal Church,

Now, THEREFORE, We, as such Deputies, take this opportunity to felicitate our sister communion, the Methodist Episcopal Church, upon the spiritual memories surrounding the occurrence of May 24th, 1738, and to express the earnest and prayerful hope that at no distant date the way may be found to promote the more active sharing by all Christian Churches in such memories, and be it

Further Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That for the reasons set forth in its report to this Convention, the work of the National Commission on Evangelism be terminated and that the officers of the Commission be and they are hereby directed to turn over any balance in the treasury of the Commission, after expenses, and undistributed literature, to the Forward Movement Commission,

Further Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Convention express its appreciation of the interest and generosity of Mr. Samuel Thorne in carrying on the work of the Commission on Evangelism.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House voted to concur with this resolution, with the following amendment: in the first paragraph of the Preamble, change the word "member" to the word "presbyter," so that the phrase will read: "A presbyter of the Anglican Communion."

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

MESSAGE No. 12. Fourth Day of Session, October 9th, 1937.

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, with regard to the recognition of the Two Hundredth Anniversary of a great event in the life of the Rev. John Wesley, with the following amendment:

In the first paragraph of the Preamble, change the word "member" to the word "presbyter," so that the phrase will read: "A presbyter of the Anglican Communion."

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the House concurred with the Amendment in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 19.]
Evangelism—Standing Committee of House of Deputies—Report of


The report was received.

(See Appendix No. 11).

On behalf of the Committee, on Evangelism, the Rev. Dr. DeWolfe offered on the Fourth Day the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program and the Committee on Expenses:

Whereas, The work of Evangelism and the Forward Movement of the Church is of primary importance in the fulfillment of the Master's command to make disciples of all peoples, therefore,

Be It Resolved, That the House of Bishops concurring, this General Convention commits itself to a large and adequate apportionment whereby the work of Evangelism and the Forward Movement may be presented in a statesmanlike manner, and

Be It Further Resolved, That the sum shall be fixed by the Budget Committee after due conference with the Committee of Evangelism and the Forward Movement.

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 5 of the Committee on Expenses, as follows:

The Committee on Expenses considered the resolution from the Committee on Evangelism asking for a large and adequate apportionment whereby the work of Evangelism and the Forward Movement may be presented in a statesmanlike manner, and recommends that the same be referred to the Committee on Budget and Program and that this committee be discharged from further consideration in the matter.

The report was adopted, and the resolution referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

On motion of the Bishop of Washington on the Ninth Day the Committee to which had been referred a Resolution of the House of Deputies' Committee on Evangelism, feeling that the substance of this resolution has been repeatedly affirmed by the Church through pastoral letters, reports of commissions, the opening sermon at this Convention, and elsewhere was discharged from further consideration of the matter.

On behalf of the Committee on Evangelism, the Rev. Dr. DeWolfe presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on National, International and Social Problems:
WHEREAS, The Christian Church holds fast to its belief in God as revealed in His Incarnate Son, Jesus Christ; And whereas, this Convention is convinced that any attempt to establish a new social order, which fails to give God a large place in its program, is doomed to failure, therefore,

Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention does hereby reaffirm and reannounce to the world its firm belief in the Christian Church as the sole remedy for the world's sin, as the one hope of humanity, and as the only solution of the world's social and economic problems.

Dean Grant of Chicago on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 5 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, dealing with the resolution of the Committee on Evangelism, as follows:

Your Committee reports that the substance of the above resolution has been repeatedly affirmed by the Church through pastoral letters, reports of commissions, the opening sermon at this Convention, and elsewhere; and that the committee deems any further statement unnecessary at this time.

The report was adopted.

Examining Chaplains—General Board of (Not Adopted)

The Rev. Stanley C. Hughes, D.D. of Rhode Island presented the following Memorial from the Diocese of Rhode Island with regard to the appointment of a General Board of Examining Chaplains:

Resolved, That the Rhode Island Episcopal Convention in session this 19th day of May, 1936, does respectfully request the General Convention to appoint a general Board of Examining Chaplains, which Board shall prepare questions on all the subjects in the normal standard of education specified in Canon 4, and transmit them annually to the Examining Chaplains in the various Dioceses and Missionary Districts.

On examinations having been held, the Chaplains in the various Dioceses and Missionary Districts shall return the papers to the General Board for marking.

This was referred to the Committee on Education.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 3 of the Committee on Christian Education, dealing with the resolution adopted by the Diocese of Rhode Island on the appointment of a General Board of Examining Chaplains, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution adopted by the Convention of the Diocese of Rhode Island on the appointment of a General Board of Examining Chaplains, as follows:

Resolved, That the Rhode Island Episcopal Convention in session this 19th day of May, 1936, does respectfully request the General Convention to appoint a general Board of Examining Chaplains, which Board shall
prepare questions on all the subjects in the normal standard of education specified in Canon 4, and transmit them annually to the Examining Chaplains in the various Dioceses and Missionary Districts.

On examinations having been held, the Chaplains in the various Dioceses and Missionary Districts shall return the papers to the General Board for marking.

Your Committee approves the attempt to raise the standard of theological education in this Church, but inasmuch as this matter belongs specifically to the province of another committee or commission of this Convention, we ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The report was adopted.

Expenses—Committee Authorized to Meet Between General Conventions

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Eighth Day presented Report No. 10 of the Committee on Expenses, containing the following resolution, which was adopted.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Committee on expenses be and they hereby are authorized to meet during the interval between this General Convention and the next succeeding one.

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

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Ninth Day.

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

Faith and Order—Report of Joint Commission on—Continuance of Joint Commission

Mr. Clifford P. Morehouse of Milwaukee presented on the Second Day the report of the Joint Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order. This was placed on the Calendar (No. 19).

This was referred to the afternoon Joint Session of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies.

(See Appendix No. 13).

The Bishop of New York presented on the Sixth Day the Report of the Joint Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order.

On motion of the Bishop of New York the following resolutions were adopted:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a special message of thanks be sent to the officers of the Continuation Committee who prepared so effectively for the Conference.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Faith and Order be continued, with power to elect additional members, and be directed to cooperate on behalf of this Church with the Edinburgh Continuation Committee in further plans growing out of the Edinburgh Conference.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission be instructed to arrange for the careful consideration of the Report of the Edinburgh Conference and the preparation of a reply on behalf of this Church to be transmitted to the Continuation Committee.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention endorses the proposed World Council of Churches under the conditions set forth by the Edinburgh Conference and directs the Commission on Faith and Order to appoint one delegate and one alternate to attend the meeting of the Provincial Council (in Holland, May 9th to 13th, 1938) for the purpose of drawing up a detailed plan for such a World Council to be submitted to the various Christian Communions for their approval.

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

The above was placed on the Calendar (No. 25).

No. 19 being taken from the Calendar on the Seventh Day being the Report of the Joint Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order, Mr. Clifford P. Morehouse of Milwaukee presented the report.

The Report was received.

No. 25 being taken from the Calendar on the Seventh Day, being the House of Bishops Message No. 39, and dealing with the work of the Commission on Faith and Order, the matter was discussed.

The House concurred in the Message of the House of Bishops.

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

Message No. 55. Seventh Day of Session, October 13th, 1937.

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, with reference to the continuation of the Commission on Faith and Order, and instructing the Commission to arrange for the careful consideration of the Report of the Edinburgh Conference, and endorsing the proposed World Council of Churches.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of New York on the Sixth Day the
following resolution was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the sum of $2,000 per annum for three years be added to the budget for the work of the Commission.

Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the sum of $2,000 per annum for three years be added to the Budget of the National Council for the work of the Joint Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

**Federal Council of Churches—Membership in**

The Presiding Bishop stated that he was ready to report, when called upon, on the matter of the desirability of the Church becoming a member of the Federal Council of Churches. (Seventh Day).

The Presiding Bishop on the Seventh Day presented the following statement which on motion of the Bishop of New York, the House approved:

The Presiding Bishop was requested by the House of Bishops in 1934, to report to the Convention as to the desirability of the Church becoming a member of the Federal Council of Churches. After conference with the Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order and the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations the Presiding Bishop recommends that until the first steps should have been taken in the formation of a World Council of the Churches the question of membership on the Federal Council should be deferred. The Presiding Bishop also recommends that the Presiding Bishop be requested to confer with the Eastern Orthodox Churches in America to ascertain their attitude toward the membership of their Churches in seeking membership in the Federal Council of Churches and to report to this House the results of such inquiry.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Eleventh Day:

**MESSAGE NO. 102. Tenth Day of Session,**

October 16th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies of the following statement made by the Presiding Bishop:

The Presiding Bishop was requested by the House of Bishops in 1934 to report to the Convention as to the desirability of the Church becoming a member of the Federal Council of Churches. After conference with the Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order and the Com-
mission on Ecclesiastical Relations the Presiding Bishop recommends that until the first steps should have been taken in the formation of a World Council of the Churches the question of membership on the Federal Council should be deferred.

The Presiding Bishop also recommends that approaches be made to the Eastern Orthodox Churches in America to ascertain their attitude toward the question of seeking membership in the Federal Council of Churches and that the results of such inquiry be reported to the next Convention.

**Fiscal Year of the Church—Proposed Change**

Canon Sharp of Tennessee presented on the Second Day the following Memorial from the Diocese of Tennessee with reference to the fiscal year of the Church:

The Diocese of Tennessee memorializes the General Convention to change the date of the fiscal year so that it shall run from July 1st to June 30th instead of from January 1st to December 31st.

This was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

The Rev. Arthur R. McKinstry, D.D. of West Texas on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 1 of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, and offered the following resolution:

*WHEREAS,* It has been proposed in the House of Deputies, that the fiscal year of the Church be changed from January 1st to December 31st, to July 1st to June 30th, and

*WHEREAS,* There is sufficient merit in the proposed change to warrant its sympathetic consideration,

Therefore Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be asked to give this subject careful study and report at the next session of General Convention.

The resolution was adopted.

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

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Ninth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 90.]

**Flag and Shield for Church**

Mr. Baldwin of Long Island presented on the Fifth Day the report of the Commission on Church Flag and Seal.

(See Appendix No. 14).

Amendments to this report were offered by Canon Sharp of Tennessee, the Rev. Dr. Diller of Bethlehem, and the Rev. Dr. Niblo of Pennsylvania.
The report with these amendments was referred back to the Commission with the request that it report again at this Convention.

Mr. Baldwin of Long Island presented on the Sixth Day a revised report of the Commission on Church Flag and Shield.

The appended resolution adopting a Church Flag and Shield was adopted.

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

Message No. 41.
Sixth Day of Session, October 12th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the flag of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America be as follows:

A red cross on a white field, red superimposed on a blue field typifying these United States, on which are nine white stars with the points upwards representing the nine Dioceses that met in the First General Convention in 1789, and then drafted and adopted the Constitution of this Church and the first American Prayer Book; the four corner parts of the white field being cut away so as to show the blue field and eight of the nine stars, the ninth star being in the center of the red cross. The nine Dioceses were Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and South Carolina, this being the First General Convention with its House of Bishops and House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the nine stars being placed in the form of a St. Andrew's Cross, in commemoration of the fact that our first Bishop, who was Bishop Samuel Seabury of Connecticut, was obliged to go to Scotland for consecration as the English Bishops could not then consecrate an American Bishop, though they were able very shortly thereafter to consecrate White and Provost Bishops, thereby making the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America autonomous.

In heraldic language the description of the flag is as follows:

THE ARMS OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH
IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

On azure nine mullets in saltire argent (for the nine Dioceses represented in the First General Convention of this Church) a cross gules, fimbriated argent (for the Christian Church) at the fesse point the ninth star.

And Be It Further Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the adopted design of the Church flag be worked into a design for a shield, the shield to be surmounted by a tetramorph representing the four gospels, ornamented with outstretched wings, that behind the shield there be shown crossed, a Jerusalem cross with the end pointed to show the missionary character of this Church in its determination to plant the Church throughout this fair land and abroad, wherever suitable, and a
Bishop's Crozier representing Episcopal Authority, at the base of the shield a ribbon on which shall be the words, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel," on the dexter or right side of the shield looking outward a layman in the attire of 1789 as the other supporter, all of which is respectfully submitted.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The full report of the Committee is appended.

On motion of the Bishop of Washington the House in a substitute to a motion to concur referred the foregoing message to a Special Committee of three.

The Chair appointed:

The Bishop of Albany.
The Bishop of Michigan.
The Bishop of Long Island.

Mr. Charles B. Clarke of Maine on the Seventh Day moved reconsideration of the previous day's action in regard to adopting a Church Flag and Shield. The motion of reconsideration was passed. The whole matter was thereupon referred back to the Joint Commission on Church Flag and Shield.

(This action was communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 52).

MESSAGE No. 52.  
Seventh Day of Session,  
OCTOBER 13TH, 1937.

The House of Deputies asks the privilege of withdrawing its Message No. 41 on Church Flag and Shield. ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the House consented to the request of the House of Deputies contained in the foregoing Message.

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

On motion the Special Committee of this House on the matter of the Church Flag and Shield was continued.

MESSAGE No. 61.  
Seventh Day of Session,  
OCTOBER 13TH, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that this House consents to the request of the House of Deputies contained in its Message No. 52 and herewith returns the Message desired.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany the following resolution was adopted:
Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the design submitted be approved after it has been approved or modified by such experts in heraldry as your Committee may be able to consult.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 95.]

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 132.]

Forward Movement Commission—Report of Joint Commission on—
Continuance of Joint Commission

The Rev. Karl M. Block, D.D. of Missouri presented on the Sixth Day the report of the Forward Movement Commission.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 24).

(See Appendix No. 15).

On motion of the Bishop of Southern Ohio the Report of the Forward Movement Commission was placed on the Calendar on the Sixth Day.


On motion of the Bishop of Southern Ohio, a Resolution offered by the Bishop of Washington on the continuance of the Joint Commission on the Forward Movement was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

On motion of the Bishop of Washington, the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, That the House of Bishops having heard with deep interest the report of the Forward Movement Commission presented by the Bishop of So. Ohio, the Rt. Rev. Henry W. Hobson, D.D., acknowledges with gratitude the work done by the Commission and its increasing spiritual value to the whole Church. It further places on record and with affectionate esteem, the notable service rendered the Commission through the leadership of the Bishop of So. Ohio, a leadership standardized by devotion, vision and self-sacrifice.

No. 24 being taken from the Calendar on the Seventh Day, being the report of the Joint Commission on the Forward Movement, the Rev. Dr. Block of Missouri presented the report.

The report was received.

The Rev. William A. Brown of Southern Virginia presented on the Second Day the following resolution with regard to the Forward Movement:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Diocese of Southern Virginia in Council assembled, by unanimous vote thanks God for the excellent work of the Commission on the Forward Movement, and respectfully requests the General Convention to make plans for its continuance in the next triennium.

This was referred to the Forward Movement Commission.

The Secretary of the House of Deputies on the Fourth Day presented the following resolution of the conference of the clergy of the Missionary District of Arizona on the continuance of the Forward Movement Commission.

Resolved, That this Conference memorialize General Convention, about to be convened, to continue the Forward Movement Commission for the next Triennium, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Rev. Franklin J. Clark, Secretary of General Convention.

This was referred to the Forward Movement Commission.

The Secretary also presented the following resolution adopted at a conference on the Missionary Motive, held at Berkeley, California, on the work of the Forward Movement Commission:

Resolved, That this Conference expresses its very sincere hope that the Forward Movement Commission, under its present leadership, be continued by the General Convention.

This was referred to the Forward Movement Commission.

The Rev. Dr. Block, of Missouri, on the Seventh Day on behalf of the Forward Movement Commission, asked that the three resolutions coming respectively from the Diocese of Southern Virginia, the Missionary District of Arizona and the Missionary Conference at Berkeley, California, all referring to the work of the Forward Movement Commission, be referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

They were so referred.

The Rev. Robert O. Kevin, Ph.D. of Missouri on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution of appreciation of the work of the Forward Movement Commission:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies, the House of Bishops concurring, expresses its grateful appreciation of the heroic, sacrificial, and magnificent work that has been accomplished by the Forward Movement Commission during the last triennium and, conscious of the great task that still lies before it, requests the continuing life of the Commission with such provision for its work and support as in conference with the Committee on Expenses, the Commission on Budget and Program, and its own recommendations as may be found necessary.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.
The Rev. B. D. Tucker, D.D. of Virginia, presented on the Second Day the following Preamble and Resolution on behalf of the Council of the Diocese of Virginia with reference to the Forward Movement:

Inasmuch as the several Parishes and Missions of the Diocese of Virginia have felt the influence of the Forward Movement Commission in bringing their people a deepened consciousness of God and His plan for man; and inasmuch as the Council of the Diocese of Virginia feels that, by the power of the Holy Ghost, the work of this Commission gives promise of even larger effectiveness in educating and quickening the life of the Church; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Council of the Diocese of Virginia heartily commends the work of the Forward Movement Commission and urges upon General Convention the desirability of continuing the Commission for another triennium, and of appropriating for the Commission one-half of the undesignated legacies received by the National Council.

This was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 4 of the Committee on Expenses, as follows:

The Committee on Expenses has considered the resolution offered by the Diocese of Virginia on continuing the appropriation of one-half of the undesignated legacies received by the National Council toward the expenses of the Forward Movement Commission, and recommends the same be referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, and that this committee be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

The report was adopted, and the resolution referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

(For action see report of Joint Committee on Budget and Program.)

The Rev. Theodore S. Will of Southern Virginia on the Tenth Day presented the following resolution, expressing the hope that the Bishop of Southern Ohio may continue to lead the Forward Movement Commission:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Whereas under the wise leadership of the Rt. Rev. Henry W. Hobson, D.D., Bishop of Southern Ohio the Forward Movement has made and is making an inspiring spiritual contribution to the life of the Church.

Therefore Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we trust there be no change in the chairmanship of the Forward Movement.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 122.]
The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 145.]

MESSAGE No. 169.  
Eleventh Day of Session,  
October 18th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed on the part of this House the following as members of the Joint Commission on the Forward Movement to continue in collaboration with the Presiding Bishop and the National Council an organized effort to reinvigorate the life of the Church and to rehabilitate its General, Diocesan, and Parochial work, as authorized in the report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program:

**Presbyters**

**Laymen**
1. Mr. John J. Rowe, of Southern Ohio.
2. Mr. Keith Kane, of New York.
3. Mr. Clifford Morehouse, of Milwaukee.
4. Mr. John H. Myers, of Minnesota.
5. Mr. Coleman Jennings, of Washington.
7. Mr. John I. Hartman, of Bethlehem.
8. Mr. Reynolds E. Blight, of Los Angeles.
9. Mr. Austin J. Lindstrom, of Chicago.
10. Mr. Z. C. Patten, of Tennessee.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Twelfth Day:

MESSAGE No. 187.  
Twelfth Day of Session,  
October 19th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that the Chair on the part of this House has appointed on the Joint Commission on the Forward Movement:

Bishop of Southern Ohio.
Bishop of Texas.
Bishop of Fond du Lac.
Bishop of Oregon.
Bishop of Kentucky.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, 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. 150, making the Presiding Bishop an ex-officio member of the Commissions set up in Resolutions 2 and 9 of the Report of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

General Convention—Time of Adjournment of

Dr. Anderson of the Committee on Dispatch of Business on Eighth Day submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That, unless otherwise hereafter ordered, this General Convention shall adjourn Sine Die on Tuesday, October 19th, at one o'clock P. M.; and that the closing Religious Service with the reading of the Pastoral Letter, be held that day at three o'clock P. M. at Christ Church.

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

The foregoing Message was referred jointly to the Committee on Dispatch of Business and the Committee on Unfinished Business.

On motion of the Bishop of Western New York reporting for the Committee on Dispatch of Business, the House concurred with Message No. 67 of the House of Deputies relative to the time of adjournment of this Convention.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 94.]

General Convention Expenses—On Percentage Basis of Current Expenses Rather Than a Head Tax—(Not Adopted)

The Secretary of the House of Deputies presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution of the Diocese of Montana on the principle of a percentage basis of "current expenses" of each Diocese:

Be It Resolved, That this Convention approves and endorses the principle of a percentage basis of current expenses of each Diocese as the basis for levying the assessment, both for General Convention expense and the salary and expense of the Presiding Bishop.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

The Secretary also presented on the Fourth Day the following letter from the Secretary of the Province of Washington in the matter of General Convention Assessments:
The provincial Synod of Washington considered the communication from the Province of the Pacific in the matter of General Convention Assessments at its meeting in Wilmington, Delaware, October 6th to 8th, 1936, and confirms the opinion of the Province of the Pacific and urges upon General Convention the making of such change in levying the assessments upon the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the Church, i.e., that they be based upon current expenses instead of being, as at present, a head tax.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

Mr. Bradford B. Locke of New Jersey, on the Seventh Day, reported on behalf of the Joint Committee on Budget and Program, that the following resolutions should be referred to the Committee on Expenses:

1. Resolution of the Diocese of Montana referring to the percentage basis for assessments for General Convention and the salary of the Presiding Bishop.

2. Resolution of the Diocese of Washington on the same subject.

The resolutions were so referred.

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 13 of the Committee on Expenses, as follows:

The Committee on Expenses has considered the resolution of the Diocese of Montana with regard to the principle of a percentage basis of "current expenses," and the resolution of the Synod of the Province of Washington with regard to General Convention Assessments, and recommends that inasmuch as these resolutions involve a change in Canon 49, Subsection [vi.] and Subsection [vii.], the committee recommends the reference of these resolutions to the Committee on Canons, and asks to be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

The report was adopted.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 40 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the resolutions presented by the Diocese of Montana and the Synod of the Province of Washington in regard to General Convention assessments.

REPORT NO. 40. October 16th, 1937.

Your Committee has considered the report submitted by the Committee on expenses relating to a resolution presented by the Diocese of Montana, and a resolution presented from the Synod of the Province of Washington with regard to General Convention Assessments.

It has noted the advice of the Committee on expenses that these resolutions involve a change in Canon 49, Subsections [vi.] and [vii.].

This Committee has previously recommended to the Convention in its Report No. 38 an amendment to Canon 49, Subsection [vi.].
Your Committee has consulted with the Treasurer of the Convention on the subject matter of the proposals received from the Diocese of Montana and from the Synod of the Province of Washington.

Your Committee concurs in the opinion of the Treasurer of the General Convention that these changes in the Canon are inexpedient at this time.

Your Committee asks that it be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.

General Convention—Joint Committee to Study Structure and Organization of

Dean Roberts of Colorado presented the following resolution calling for a Joint Committee to study the structure and organization of General Convention.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen be appointed at this Convention to study the structure and organization of the General Convention in order to simplify its methods, hasten its procedure, lessen its expense and free it from many features that add to its length and make it cumbersome. This Committee is requested to report at the next General Convention.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 38).

No. 38 being taken from the Calendar on the Eleventh Day being the resolution offered by Dean Roberts of Colorado asking for a Joint Committee to study the structural organization of the General Convention, Dean Roberts spoke in its favor.

The resolution was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen be appointed at this Convention to study the structure and organization of the General Convention in order to simplify its methods, hasten its procedure, lessen its expense and free it from many features that add to its length and make it cumbersome. This Committee is requested to report at the next General Convention.

The House on its part has appointed the following:

Presbyters

Laymen
1. Dr. J. Randolph Anderson of Georgia.
2. Mr. David Bronson of Minnesota.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.
The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 186.]

**MESSAGE No. 186.** Twelfth Day of Session, October 19th, 1937.

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. 166 on Organization of the General Convention.

The House of Bishops has appointed:

- Bishop of Chicago.
- Bishop of Minnesota.

*ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.*

**General Convention—Proposed Change in Time of Meeting**

The Very Rev. Paul Roberts, D.D. of Colorado, presented on the Second Day the following Preamble and Resolution with regard to the meeting time of General Convention:

WHEREAS, The Meetings of the General Convention are held at the time of year when the work of the Dioceses, Parishes and Missions is just getting well started for the winter and especially needs the presence at home of Clergy and other Church workers:

*Therefore Be It Resolved,* the House of Bishops concurring, That the time of the meetings of the General Convention be changed to a time in the spring following Easter.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Mr. Seymour of Connecticut presented on the Fourth Day Report No. 5 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution presented by Dean Roberts of Colorado relating to a change in time of meeting of the General Convention. It is the opinion of this Committee that this matter relates solely to Section 7 of Article I of the Constitution. It therefore asks that this resolution be referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution and that the Committee on Canons be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The resolution was so referred.

Professor Beale of Massachusetts presented on the Sixth Day Report No. 3 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, as follows:

With reference to the resolution offered by Dean Roberts of Colorado directing that meetings of General Convention be changed to a time in the Spring following Easter, the Committee begs leave to report that some other time might be better than the present, but that the Committee has
no experience that would enable it to fix a different time for meeting; but begs leave to suggest that each Convention, exercising its constitutional power to do so, fix for each meeting a time of meeting, and thus gain experience for determining the fittest date to be fixed by constitution.

This report was adopted.

The Bishop of Minnesota on the Eighth Day reporting for the Committee on Amendments to Canon reported that the Committee had considered the proposed amendment affecting the Date of Meeting of Convention and asked to be relieved from further consideration of the matter.

The Bishop of California offered as a substitute a motion to refer the matter back to the Committee. The motion was lost by a vote of 23-36.

The original motion was sustained and the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the matter.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany on the Ninth Day the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the opening service of the General Convention of 1940 be held on the first Sunday in October, provided it seems expedient to the Presiding Bishop and others concerned.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 96.]

MESSAGE No. 108. Tenth Day of Session, October 16th, 1937.

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. 96 regarding the Opening Service of the General Convention of 1940, to be held on the first Sunday in October.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Dean Roberts of Colorado on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the next General Convention convene on the first Wednesday of May 1940.

This was referred to the Committee on Place of Meeting.

Admiral Belknap of New York on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 3 of the Committee on Place of Meeting, as follows:

On the resolution presented by the Rev. Paul Roberts of the Diocese of Colorado that the next General Convention convene on the first Wednesday of May, 1940, the Committee on Place of Meeting, in view of the meeting of Lambeth Conference during the summer of 1940, recommends that the General Convention of this Church in 1940 meet in October.
The Committee further recommends that the Opening Service be on the first Sunday in October.

The recommendation was lost.

Dean Roberts of Colorado presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the next meeting of the General Convention open on the second Sunday after Easter, 1940.

The resolution was lost.

General Convention of 1940—To be held in Kansas City Missouri

Dr. Anderson, of the Committee on Dispatch of Business, on the Second Day offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

1. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen be appointed to select the place of meeting of the next General Convention in 1940; and that all invitations received shall be referred to this committee.

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

The House concurred in the foregoing Message, and the Chair appointed on the part of this House:—The Bishop of Alabama, the Bishop of Oregon and the Bishop of Albany.

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

The President announced on the Fifth Day the appointment of the following to represent this House on the Joint Committee on Place of Meeting:


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

The Rev. Dr. Fenn of Maryland on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 1 of the Joint Committee on Place of Meeting for the next General Convention, stating that they had organized with the election of the Bishop of Alabama as Chairman, and Rear Admiral R. R. Belknap of New York as Secretary. The Bishop of Alabama reported the organization of the Committee on the Place of the next Convention with the Bishop of Alabama as Chairman and Admiral Belknap as Secretary. (Sixth Day)

The Rev. James P. De Wolfe, D.D., of Texas, presented on the Second Day the following invitation to the General Convention of 1940:
The Clerical and Lay Deputies of the Diocese of Texas are requested by a unanimous action of the Convention of the Diocese of Texas to invite the General Convention to meet in the City of Houston, Texas, for the next meeting of the General Convention in 1940.

This was referred to the Committee on Place of Meeting of the next General Convention.

On motion of the Bishop of Texas, on the Third Day a memorial inviting the 1940 General Convention to meet in Houston, Texas, was referred to the Joint Committee on the Place of the next Convention.

The Rev. Canon James R. Sharp of Tennessee presented on the Second Day the following invitation to the General Convention of 1940:

The Diocese of Tennessee, by virtue of a resolution unanimously adopted by the Convention thereof, extends a cordial invitation to the General Convention to hold its Fifty-third Session in the City of Memphis.

This was referred to the Committee on Place of Meeting of the next General Convention.

The Rev. Don Frank Fenn, D.D., of Maryland, presented on the Second Day the following invitation to the General Convention of 1940:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That acting upon a resolution unanimously adopted by the Diocesan Convention of Maryland, on January 27th, 1937, the Delegation from the Diocese of Maryland does hereby extend a most cordial and pressing invitation to the General Convention, and to the Women's Auxiliary, to hold the next meetings of this Convention and of the Auxiliary in the City of Baltimore, in October 1940.

This was referred to the Committee on Place of Meeting of the next General Convention.

Dean Sprouse of West Missouri presented on the Fifth Day the following invitation to the General Convention of 1940:

The Diocese of West Missouri extends a hearty and cordial invitation to the General Convention to hold its Fifty-Third Triennial Meeting at Kansas City, Missouri.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on Place of Meeting of the next General Convention.

The Bishop of West Missouri presented an invitation to the General Convention of 1940 to meet in Kansas City. It was referred to the Committee on the Place of the next Convention. (Fourth Day)
Rear Admiral Belknap of New York on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Place of Meeting, as follows:

After considering invitation from Baltimore, Houston, Kansas City and Memphis, the committee recommends Kansas City as the place of meeting of General Convention in 1940.

In making its choice, the Committee was chiefly influenced by the fact that Kansas City offers the greatest missionary opportunity.

In addition, it is centrally located and has never had a General Convention.

This report is concurred in by the whole committee.

On motion of the Bishop of Alabama reporting for the Committee on the Place of the next Convention and seconded by the Bishop of Texas and the Bishop of Maryland, the House adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that the next meeting of General Convention be held in Kansas City, Missouri.

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

MESSAGE No. 81 Ninth Day of Session, October 15th, 1937.

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, with reference to the next meeting of General Convention to be held in Kansas City, Missouri.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

General Convention—Joint Committee on Arrangements for 1940.

To Consider Adequate Ventilation

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented the following resolution authorizing the appointment of a Joint Committee on Arrangements for the General Convention of 1940:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following Joint Committee on Arrangements for the General Convention of 1940, be and hereby is appointed:

The Bishop of West Missouri; The Dean of Grace and Holy Trinity Cathedral, Kansas City, Missouri; The Chairman of the Executive Committee of the General Convention of 1937; Mr. John J. Rowe; The President of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of West Missouri.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 113.]

The House concurred in the foregoing Message with the following amendment:
That there be added to this Joint Committee the Presiding Bishop, ex-officio.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 128.]

MESSAGE No. 128

Eleventh Day of Session,

OCTOBER 18TH, 1937.

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. 113 on the Joint Committee on Arrangements for the next Convention with the following Amendment:

That there be added to this Joint Committee the Presiding Bishop, ex-officio.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred in the amendment offered by the House of Bishops that there be added to the Joint Committee on Arrangements for the next Convention the Presiding Bishop, ex-officio.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 149.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 164.]

The Rev. Dr. Gomph of Newark moved on the Eleventh Day that the House request the Committee on Arrangements for the Convention of 1940 to give special consideration to adequate ventilation, as follows:

Resolved, That the Deputation of the Diocese of Newark respectfully requests the Committee on Arrangements for the Convention of 1940 to give special consideration to the adequate ventilation of the halls to be used for the sessions of the two Houses at that Convention.

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of the Bishop of Alabama on the Twelfth Day the following resolution was referred to the Joint Committee on Arrangements for the next Convention:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That two oximeters be purchased for the use of the next General Convention, the cost thereof to be defrayed from the funds of General Convention.
General Theological Seminary—Report of Trustees of—Election of Trustees of

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey, the Report of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary was put on the Calendar. (Seventh Day)

The Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey on the Seventh Day reported the Committee on the General Theological Seminary organized with Bishop Fiske as Chairman and the Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey as Secretary.

The Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey presented the Report of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary taken from the Calendar. The Report was accepted and the following Bishops elected to serve on the Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary until 1943.


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

On invitation of the Chair, the Very Rev. Dr. Fosbroke presented the Report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

The Very Rev. Hughell E. W. Fosbroke, D.D., Dean of the General Theological Seminary, was invited to take the platform in the House of Deputies and present in person the report of the Trustees of the General Theological Seminary.

(See Appendix No. 16).

Professor Ogden of Central New York presented on the Seventh Day Report No. 2 of the Committee on the General Theological Seminary, containing the recommendation that the House elect the following Trustees of the General Theological Seminary, to serve until 1943.

The House accepted the recommendations, and elected the following:

To serve until 1943:


Laymen—Judge Origen S. Seymour of Connecticut; Mr. S. V. Hoffman of New York; Col. G. W. Burleigh of New York; Mr. Edward K. Warren of New York; Mr. William Harison of New York.

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

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Eleventh Day:

MESSAGE No. 114

Tenth Day of Session,
OCTOBER 16TH, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that this House has elected the Rt. Rev. Alfred Alonzo Gilman, S.T.D., as Bishop of the Missionary District of Hankow.

ATTEST: Secretary.

On motion of the Rev. Dr. Barber of North Carolina, the House voted unanimously that the election be confirmed.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 143.]

MESSAGE No. 143

Eleventh Day of Session,
OCTOBER 18TH, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received Message No. 114, announcing the election of the Right Reverend Alfred Alonzo Gilman, S.T.D., as Bishop of the Missionary District of Hankow, and has unanimously confirmed the same.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Historiographer—Election of—Report of

Dr. Anderson of Georgia presented on the Fifth Day the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Rev. E. Clowes Chorley, D.D. be and he is hereby elected Historiographer.

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

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Fifth Day.

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

The report of the Historiographer, the Rev. E. Clowes Chorley, D.D., was presented and read by the Rev. Dr. Fleming of New York.

The report was received.
(See Appendix No. 17).

Historical Magazine—Appropriation for

The Rev. Mr. Stowe of New Jersey presented on the Second Day the following Preamble and Resolution in regard to the approaching historical observances:
WHEREAS, During the year of our Lord 1938 there will occur the Centennial Anniversary of the consecration of Leonidas Polk as the first missionary bishop of the Southwest, together with certain diocesan centennial anniversaries;

AND, WHEREAS, During the year of our Lord 1939, there will fall the 150th Anniversary of the adoption of the Constitution of this Church, which Constitution was an epochal event in the history and expansion of the Anglican Communion, and under which this Church has grown and prospered, calling forth proper expressions of thanksgiving to God;

AND, WHEREAS, In 1940, several important diocesan anniversaries take place:

Therefore, Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a sum not exceeding one thousand five hundred dollars ($1,500) be appropriated to cover the ensuing three years to be expended under the direction of the Joint Committee on the Historical Magazine for the purpose of aiding in research and in the publication of material relating to the history of this Church.

This was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Eighth Day presented Report No. 8 of the Committee on Expenses, recommending the adoption of the above resolution of the Rev. Mr. Stowe of New Jersey, authorizing the appropriation of $1,500 for the Historical Magazine during the coming triennium.

The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops in Message No. 61.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eighth Day.

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

Historical Magazine—Enlargement of Joint Commission on

The Rev. G. McLaren Brydon, D.D., of Virginia presented the Triennial Report of the Joint Commission on the Historical Magazine. This was placed on the Calendar (No. 23).

The Rev. Walter H. Stowe of New Jersey offered on the Second Day the following resolution with regard to the Historical Magazine, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Historical Magazine be continued, and that the membership of said Joint Committee be increased to include four Bishops, four Presbyters and four Laymen.

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

Second Day of Session,
OCTOBER 7TH, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the Historical Magazine be continued and that the membership of said Joint Committee be increased to include four Bishops, four Presbyters and four Laymen. This House on its part has appointed the following Presbyters and the following Laymen:


Laymen—Prof. Joseph H. Beale, of Massachusetts; Mr. C. M. K. Whittemore, of New Jersey; Mr. Alex B. Andrews, of North Carolina; Dr. Frank W. Moore, of Central New York.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the House concurred in the foregoing Message and the Chair appointed on the part of this House:


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

No. 23 being taken from the calendar on the Eleventh Day being the Triennial Report of the Historical Magazine, it was presented by title.

(See Appendix No. 18).

Hymnal—Joint Commission on Revision of Reconstituted and Authorized to Undertake a Revision of

The Rev. Arthur L. Kinsolving, D.D., of Massachusetts presented on the Second Day the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on the Church Hymnal be authorized to undertake a revision of the Hymnal.

This was referred to the Joint Commission on the Hymnal.

The Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Revision of the Hymnal be reconstituted immediately, and that the Commission be continued.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 59.]
The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Seventh Day.

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

Dean Sturges of Massachusetts on the Eleventh Day presented the following report on behalf of the Commission on Revision of the Hymnal, dealing with the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Kin-solving of Massachusetts reading as follows, and stating that the commission recommended its passage:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on the Church Hymnal be authorized to undertake a revision of the Hymnal.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 159.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 177.]

MESSAGE No. 128

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed on the part of this House the following members of the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Hymnal:


Laymen—Mr. H. R. Fairclough, of California; Mr. Bradford Locke, of New Jersey; Mr. Joseph T. Ryerson, of Chicago; Mr. Harold W. Gilbert, of Pennsylvania.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The chairman of the House of Bishops announced on the Twelfth Day the appointment of the following on the part of that House:

The Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia, the Bishop of West Missouri, the Bishop of Louisiana, the Bishop of Atlanta, the Bishop of Newark, the Bishop of Vermont.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 197.]

The Rev. Charles L. Gomph, D.D., of Newark presented on
the Second Day the following request from the Convention of the Diocese of Newark with regard to the Church Hymnal:

Resolved, That the delegates of the Diocese of Newark in Convention assembled do hereby request the General Convention to appoint a Commission to revise the Church Hymnal:

Furthermore, we respectfully request General Convention to give due consideration to the importance of securing the true mind of the Church regarding its Hymnal, and to that end we suggest that the revision Commission, if appointed, ought to be representative of the Church at large, particularly the average and smaller parish, and that it would be well if every diocese appoint its own Hymnal Committee for study and interest in the revision.

This was referred to the Joint Commission on Church Music.

The Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York reported for the Joint Commission on Church Music to which was referred the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Gomph of Newark, with reference to revision of the Church Hymnal, and asked that the resolution also be referred to the Joint Commission on Revision of the Hymnal.

It was so referred.

The Rev. Mr. Rogers of Western North Carolina presented on the Second Day the following resolution in regard to the Church Hymnal:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the hymn—"O the bitter shame and sorrow"—omitted from the hymnal by inadvertence or mistake, be restored.

This was referred to the Joint Commission on the Hymnal.

Dean Sturges of Massachusetts on the Eleventh Day presented the following report of the Commission on Revision of the Hymnal, with reference to the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Rogers of Western North Carolina in regard to the Hymn "O, the bitter shame and sorrow", asking that the matter be re-committed to the Commission for further study.

The report was adopted.

India—Appropriation for Work in Domakal and Study of Possibility of Establishing a New Missionary District There

On motion of the Bishop of Georgia, a resolution relative to a Missionary District in India was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.

The Rev. Dr. Nelson of Southern Ohio presented the follow-
ind preamble and resolution with regard to the advisability of establishing a Missionary District in India:

WHEREAS, The visit of the Bishop of Dornakal is one of the outstanding events of, and has made a deep impression upon this Convention, and has greatly deepened the interest of the Church in him and his work in India.

AND WHEREAS, This Committee has gladly approved the inclusion of an appropriation of at least $2,500 for 1938, for the work in India, in the regular Missionary Budget.

AND WHEREAS, In view of the newly adopted reorganization of the work of the Presiding Bishop and of the National Council, and also in view of the pressing needs of our existing Missionary Districts, and in view of the fact that there are not at present sufficient funds available to permit the establishment of a new Missionary District in India.

Therefore, Be It Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Presiding Bishop be requested to initiate a study of the possibility and desirability of establishing such a new Missionary District, and report the result of such study to the House of Bishops, at his discretion.

The Rev. Mr. Stowe of New Jersey presented the following amendment to the resolution:

And Resolved Further, The House of Bishops concurring, that any special gifts for the work of the Church in India shall not be credited to the regular appropriation of $2,500, but shall be over and above said appropriation.

The amendment was adopted.

The resolution as so amended was then adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 148.]

Message No. 148

Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

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

WHEREAS, The visit of the Bishop of Dornakal is one of the outstanding events of, and has made a deep impression upon this Convention, and has greatly deepened the interest of the Church in him and his work in India.

AND WHEREAS, This Committee has gladly approved the inclusion of an appropriation of at least $2,500 for 1938 for the work in India in the regular Missionary Budget.

AND WHEREAS, In view of the newly adopted reorganization of the work of the Presiding Bishop and of the National Council, and also in view of the pressing needs of our existing Missionary Districts, and in view of the fact that there are not at present sufficient funds available to permit the establishment of a new Missionary District in India,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Presiding Bishop be requested to initiate a study of the possibility and
desirability of establishing such a new Missionary District, and report the result of such study to the House of Bishops, at his discretion.

And, Resolved Further; The House of Bishops concurring, that any special gifts for the work of the Church in India shall not be credited to the regular appropriation of $2,500, but shall be over and above said appropriation.

ATTEST: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 163.]

A similar resolution was adopted by the House of Bishops on the Eleventh day and communicated to the House of Deputies by Message 151.

The House of Deputies concurred in the above by Message 177 on the Twelfth Day.

MESSAGE No. 177
Twelfth Day of Session,
October 19th, 1937.

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. 151, pertaining to India, and has adopted a similar resolution, as contained in our Message No. 148.

ATTEST: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

Intinction—Administering the Holy Communion by—Also in One Kind

The Rev. F. B. Atkinson of Erie presented on the Second Day the following Preamble and Resolution with regard to Intinction:

The Mahoning-Shenango Clericus, composed of members of the Dioceses of Ohio and Erie unanimously adopted the following preambles and resolutions, and, at the same time decided to place the same in the hands of one of its members, who is a deputy to this General Convention, with the request that the said preamble and resolution be presented through the proper channels to said General Convention meeting at this time in Cincinnati.

WHEREAS, Medical research has proved that many diseases are transmitted through labial contacts with vessels used consecutively by many people, and,

WHEREAS, The knowledge of such facts has caused many communicants to become troubled, and has also, we believe, interfered with their devotional enjoyment of the great service of the Church; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it be respectfully and earnestly urged that some action be taken by General Convention allowing permissive use of Administration of the Holy Communion by Intinction.
This was referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.

The Rev. Mr. Atkinson of Erie also presented on the Second Day the following Preamble and Resolution with reference to rubrical provision for Intinction:

The Mahoning-Shenango Clericus, composed of members of the Dioceses of Ohio and Erie, unanimously adopted the following preambles and resolution, and at the same time decided to place the same in the hands of one of its members, who is a deputy to this General Convention, with the request that the said preamble and resolution be presented through the proper channels to said General Convention meeting at this time in Cincinnati:

WHEREAS, Medical Research has proved that many diseases are transmitted through labial contacts with vessels used consecutively by many people; and

WHEREAS, The knowledge of such facts has caused many communicants to become troubled, and has also, we believe, interfered with their devotional enjoyment of the great service of the Church; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Standing Liturgical Commission of General Convention be respectfully asked to consider the insertion of the following, or a similar rubric in some proper place in later Prayer Book Revision: to wit, The Priest may, at his discretion, at the time of public or private Communion, administer the elements by Intinction, saying, when so administering the sacrament, both words of administration in full to all such communicants.

This was referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.

The Rev. Mr. Day of Bethlehem presented on the Second Day the following resolution with regard to the administration of the Holy Communion in one kind:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Church allow those Parishes desiring it, the administration of the Holy Communion in one kind.

This was referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 6 of the Committee on the Prayer Book, dealing with the whole subject of Intinction: He offered two resolutions as follows, which were placed on the Calendar (No. 27):

This Committee, to which were referred two resolutions offered by the Mahoning-Shenango Clericus of Ohio and Erie, favoring the administration of the Holy Communion by the method known as Intinction, and one offered by the Rev. Mr. Day of Bethlehem, favoring administration in one kind or species, has considered the same and reports as follows:

While we feel that the method of administration provided in the Book of Common Prayer should continue to be the normal use of this Church,
we recognize that in certain Parishes and Institutions other methods may better meet the needs and desires of communicants. We therefore recommend that both Intinction and communion in one kind be permitted for alternative use in the Church when duly authorized by the Bishop having jurisdiction; provided, however, that the chalice shall in no case be withheld from any communicant of this Church who shall express his desire to receive in both kinds in the manner now provided in the Prayer Book.

To this end we propose two resolutions, as follows:

1. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following alteration in the Book of Common Prayer 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. On page 83, following the sentence of administration of the Cup, insert the following rubric and text:

   "The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which were given and shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving."

2. If the foregoing be carried, we recommend the following resolution:

   Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Liturgical Commission be requested to study the methods of administration of the Holy Communion by Intinction and in one kind, and propose to the next General Convention adequate canonical provision for the safeguarding of the same if authorized and provided for in the Book of Common Prayer.

No. 27 being taken from the Calendar on the Twelfth Day being Report No. 6 of the Committee on Prayer Book, dealing with the subject of Intinction and Communion in one kind, the matter was presented by the Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia, Chairman of the Committee.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker moved the adoption of the first resolution of the committee, as follows:

1. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following alteration in the Book of Common Prayer 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. On page 83, following the sentence of administration of the Cup, insert the following rubric and text:

   "The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which were given and shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and
eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving."

The Rev. Mr. Lewis of Michigan proposed the following amendment.

To delete from line 2 of the proposed rubric and text, after the word "Intinction," the phrase "or under the special of Bread alone."

At this point Mr. Powers of Iowa moved to amend this amendment by referring the entire matter back to the Committee on Prayer Book.

The motion was lost.

The amendment then being before the House, division was called for, with the following results: aye 193: no 98.

The amendment was adopted.

The resolution then being taken up, division was called for, with the following results: aye 128: no 117.

Resolution No. 1 was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia then offered Resolution No. 2 of the Committee on Prayer Book, with the deletion of the words "and in one kind" after the word "Intinction."

The resolution was adopted, as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Liturgical Commission be requested to study the methods of administration of the Holy Communion by Intinction and propose to the next General Convention adequate canonical provision for the safeguarding of the same if authorized and provided for in the Book of Common Prayer.

The two resolutions were communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 186.

MESSAGE No. 186

Twelfth Day of Session, October 19th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the following alteration in the Book of Common Prayer 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. On page 83, following the sentence of administration of the Cup, insert the following rubric and text:

If in any Congregation, with the permission of the Bishop, the Holy Communion be administered by the method of Intinction, the Priest may, instead of the foregoing words of administration, say,
“The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which were given and shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life. Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith, with thanksgiving.”

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Liturgical Commission be requested to study the methods of administration of the Holy Communion by Intinction and propose to the next General Convention adequate canonical provision for the safeguarding of the same if authorized and provided for in the Book of Common Prayer.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

MESSAGE No. 190.

Twelfth Day of Session, October 19th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it does not concur with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 186 on Intinction because of the lateness of the hour.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

Investments—Committee on

The Treasurer offered the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Expenses:

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a Committee on Investments to consist of three members, with power to act.

Mr. Gulden of Long Island presented on the Seventh Day Report No. 2 of the Committee on Expenses, as follows:

The Committee recommends that the resolution offered by Dr. Barnes of Long Island for a Committee on Investments be adopted, as follows:

Resolved, That the Chair appoint a Committee on Investments to consist of three members, with power to act.

The Chair on the Ninth Day appointed the following members on the Committee on Investments:

Mr. Bradford B. Locke, of New Jersey; Mr. Frank Gulden, of Long Island; Dr. Raymond F. Barnes, of Long Island.

Joint Sessions and Official Program

Dr. Anderson of Georgia for the Committee on Dispatch of Business presented the following:

On Official Program and Joint Sessions Thursday and Friday:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the official program for this Convention as prepared by the Joint Committee on Arrangements be approved and adopted.
Resolved Further, That a Joint Session of the two Houses be held in the Hall of the House of Deputies on Thursday, October 7th, at 2:30 P. M., with power to fix its own hour of adjournment, and for the purpose of considering reports from the Conference on Life and Work and the Conference on Faith and Order, and of making recommendations thereon.

Resolved Further, That a Joint Session of the two Houses be held in the Hall of the House of Deputies on Friday, October 8th, from 10:30 A. M. to 1 P. M., and from 2:30 P. M. until its adjournment for the purpose of receiving and considering the Budget and Program of the National Council for the years 1938, 1939 and 1940, and of making recommendations thereon.

Resolved Further, That at this Joint Session the privilege of the floor, with the right to speak, shall be also allowed to all officers, members and departmental secretaries of the National Council, and to the official representatives of the Convention of the Woman’s Auxiliary.

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

The House of Bishops concurred in the foregoing Message.

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

Laymen—Joint Commission to Study Ministry for in a Perpetual Diaconate

The Rev. Charles W. Sheerin, D. D., of Tennessee, presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution, calling for a Commission to study the possibilities of a perpetual diaconate:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Commission be appointed, consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters, and three Laymen, to study the possibilities of some special office and ministry for laymen of advanced spiritual growth, in a perpetual diaconate or otherwise, and to report back to the fifty-third General Convention of this Church.

This was placed on the calendar (No. 11).

No. 11 being taken from the Calendar on the Eleventh Day, being the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Sheerin of Tennessee in regard to a Joint Commission to study the possibility of some special office and ministry for laymen of advanced spiritual growth, the above resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 133.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Twelfth Day:


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. 133 on the Commission on the Ministry for Laymen, and has appointed:

The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.
The Bishop of Lexington.
The Bishop of Vermont.

**ATTEST:** CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The President of the House of Deputies appointed on the part of that House the following:


**Laymen**—Mr. F. M. Boyer, of Central New York; Dr. P. M. Cooke, of Colorado; Mr. William Redfield, of Olympia.

**Laymen's League**

Dr. Kearny of Louisiana on the Eleventh Day presented the Report of the Laymen's League of the Episcopal Church.

The report was received.

(See Appendix No. 19).

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia, the Report of the Joint Commission to aid in the organization of the Laymen's League was accepted and the Commission continued. (Second Day).

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

The following Message was received on the Fourth Day from the House of Bishops:

**MESSAGE No. 7.**

Second Day of Session,

OCTOBER 7TH, 1937.

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 Commission on Organization of the Laymen's League be accepted and the Commission be continued with power to fill vacancies between this Convention and the next.

**ATTEST:** CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House voted to concur with the resolution, with the following amendment, to strike out the words "with power to fill vacancies between this Convention and the next."

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 14.]
On motion of the Bishop of Atlanta, the House concurred with the amendment in the foregoing Message on the Fifth Day.

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

MESSAGE NO. 20.

Fifth Day of Session, October 11th, 1937.

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, and accepts the amendment striking out the words, "with power to fill vacancies between this Convention and the next."

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

The Chair appointed the following to represent this House:

The Bishop Coadjutor, of West Virginia; the Bishop of Southern Ohio; the Bishop of Texas; the Bishop of West Missouri; the Bishop of Fond du Lac.

The President of the House of Deputies on the Twelfth Day appointed the following on the Joint Commission on Laymen's League of the Episcopal Church:

Rev. Wallace E. Conkling, of Pennsylvania; Rev. Dr. C. E. McAllister of Spokane, Rev. Dr. John Gass, of New York; Rev. Dr. A. R. McKinstry, of West Texas; Rev. H. A. Woolfall, of Missouri; Mr. H. Robert Braden, of California; Mr. J. H. Chickering, of Erie; Mr. George B. Elliott, of East Carolina; Mr. R. H. Gardiner, of Maine; Mr. George H. Hicherer, of Missouri; Mr. T. B. Lord, of Connecticut; Mr. W. A. Monten, of Los Angeles; Mr. James H. Pershing, of Colorado; Mr. L. W. Pratt, of Oklahoma; Mr. John J. Rowe, of Southern Ohio; Mr. William F. Stroud, of New Jersey; Mr. George B. Townsend, of Southern Virginia; Mr. H. W. Winfield, of Fond du Lac; Mr. Eugene E. Thompson, of Washington; and Dr. Warren Kearny, of Louisiana.

Lay Readers Administering the Chalice

The Bishop of Minnesota reporting on the Fourth Day for the Committee on Canons in Report No. 2 reported unfavorably on the Memorial to permit Lay Readers to administer the Chalice in the Holy Communion and the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the matter.

The Rev. Mr. Kean of Nevada presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution of the Missionary District of Nevada, memorializing General Convention to make no change in the manner of administering Holy Communion:

Resolved, That the Twenty-ninth Annual Convocation of the Missionary District of Nevada go on record as strongly opposed to any change in the manner of the administering of the Holy Communion, and so memorialize the General Convention of the Church.
This was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 8 of the Committee on Prayer Book, as follows:

The Committee on Prayer Book has considered the following resolution, offered by the Missionary District of Nevada, and referred to the Committee, namely,

Resolved, That the Twenty-ninth Annual Convocation of the Missionary District of Nevada go on record as strongly opposed to any change in the manner of the administering of the Holy Communion, and so memorialize the General Convention of the Church.

In view of the recommendation made by the Committee in Report No. 6, we recommend that the Committee be discharged from further consideration of this resolution.

The report was adopted.

The Secretary of the House of Deputies presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution from the Province of Sewanee in regard to Lay readers administering the Chalice:

Resolution adopted by the Synod of the Province of Sewanee, November, 1936:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this Synod be instructed to inform the Secretary of General Convention that the Fourth Province disapproves of the proposed amendment to Canon 26, allowing Lay Leaders to be licensed to administer the Chalice at the administration of the Holy Communion.

The sentiment of the Province which led to the adoption of this resolution was expressed as follows:

For the amendment—Clergy, 8; Laity, 7.

Against amendment—Clergy, 12; Laity, 15.

Also one entire Diocesan Executive Council

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Secretary also presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution from the Province of New England in regard to lay readers administering the Chalice:

Whereas, In accordance with the action taken at the meeting of the House of Bishops held in Davenport, the Chair appointed a Committee to consider and report on the subject of licensing Lay Readers to pass the Chalice in the administration of the Holy Communion. The Committee appointed consisted of the Bishops of Michigan, Alabama and Los Angeles. The subject was considered by your Committee in the form of an amendment to Canon 26 entitled “Of Lay Readers” offered at the last General Convention and reads as follows:
At the request of a Parish Priest, acting with advice of his Vestry, the Bishop may license a Lay Reader to pass the Chalice in the administration of the Holy Communion.

In the opinion of your Committee, this subject should receive more general consideration before action is taken by the General Convention, and therefore offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the proposed amendment aforesaid be referred to the Synods of the various Provinces, with the request that they give this whole subject careful study and consideration and report their findings to the next General Convention.

This matter was referred to the Fifteenth Synod of the Province of New England held at Portland, Maine, October 23rd and 24th, 1935.

The Synod voted as follows:

That the feeling of this Synod is against any change in the Canon at this time.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 39 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the resolution presented by the Synod of the Province of Sewanee recording its disapproval of the proposed amendment to Canon 26, allowing Lay readers to be licensed to administer the Chalice at Holy Communion, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the Resolution presented from the Synod of the Province of Sewanee recording its disapproval by majority vote, of a proposed amendment to Canon 26, allowing Lay Readers to be licensed to administer the Chalice at Holy Communion.

Inasmuch as this resolution is merely one of advice and does not propose an amendment to the Canon, this Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.

Lectionary—Continuance of Trial

On motion of the Bishop of California on the Third Day the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the permissive use of the Trial Lectionary authorized at the General Convention of 1934 be continued until December 31st, 1941; and that the Liturgical Commission be authorized to make such revisions as may appear to be necessary from year to year.

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

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Fourth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 18.]
Liturgical Commission—Report of

On motion of the Bishop of California the Report of the Liturgical Commission was placed upon the Calendar. (Seventh Day).

Liturgical Commission—Subjects Referred to

The Rev. Mr. Vincent of Colorado on the Ninth Day presented the following:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in the address to the persons to be joined together in Holy Matrimony, the words “in His Sight” be added to the last sentence so that it shall read

“For be ye well assured, that if any persons are joined together otherwise than as God’s Word doth allow, their marriage is not lawful in his sight.”

This was referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the Tenth Day presented Report No. 14 of the Committee on Prayer Book, as follows:

The Committee on Prayer Book has considered the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Vincent of Colorado and referred to this committee.

Your Committee approves the intention of this resolution, which draws a distinction between the ideals of marriage in God’s sight and the legality of civil marriage. We, therefore, recommend that the resolution be referred to the Joint Liturgical Commission with the approval of this House.

It was so referred.

Archdeacon Haughton of Springfield on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That there be inserted in the Office of Instruction a section on Prayer, The Lord’s Prayer, The Principles and Methods of Public Worship.

This was referred to the Joint Liturgical Commission.

The Rev. Clyde Brown of Washington presented on the Second Day the following resolution referring to the Prayer Book:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the rubric at top of page 10 of the Prayer Book be amended to read:

Here shall be said or sung the following Hymn, or one or more of the three portions; but if the third is used alone, the Gloria Patri shall follow.

This was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the Fifth Day presented Report No. 3 of the Committee on the Prayer Book with refer-
ence to the resolution offered by the Rev. Clyde Brown of Washington, asking that it be discharged from further consideration of the resolution:

The Committee on Prayer Book begs leave to report that it has considered the following resolution offered by the Rev. Clyde Brown of Washington and referred to this Committee, namely:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the rubric at top of page 10 of the Prayer Book be amended to read:

Here shall be said or sung the following Hymn, or one or more of the three portions; but if the third is used alone, the Gloria Patri shall follow.

Inasmuch as this resolution involves a change in the structure of Morning Prayer, the committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the resolution.

This recommendation was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 10 of the Committee on Prayer Book, as follows:

The Committee on Prayer Book begs leave to report that it has reconsidered its recommendation given in Report No. 5, namely: that it be discharged from further consideration of the resolution, offered by the Rev. Clyde Brown of Washington. It would now recommend that the said resolution be referred to the Joint Liturgical Commission.

The report was adopted and the resolution referred to the Joint Liturgical Commission.

The Rev. Mr. Stowell of Arkansas presented the following resolution dealing with the administration of Holy Baptism.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That when administering the sacrament of Holy Baptism the officiating minister be given the liberty to substitute for the word “therein” where it occurs in the prayer for the sanctification of the water the word “herewith” so that the clause containing it shall read: “grant that this child (or this thy servant) now to be baptized herewith”.

This was referred to the Liturgical Commission.

The Rev. William A. R. Goodwin, D. D., of Southern Virginia, presented the following resolution requesting the amendment of the Marriage Service:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Revision of the Book of Common Prayer be and are hereby requested to consider and report on the advisability of amending and enriching the service for the solemnization of Holy matrimony, First, by the omission of the words: *Those whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder;* and Second: By adding after the words “man and wife,”
in the declaration of marriage, these words or words of similar import, to wit: "Grant, oh Lord, that the eternal creative Spirit of life and of love may guard and defend this marriage union from all evil. Daily increase in these Thy servants Thy manifold gifts of grace, that they may continually find and ever preserve the harmony and enrichment of life that blesses and sanctifies marriage in the love that is born and blessed of God."

This was referred to the Liturgical Commission.

The Rev. Mr. Hunter of Lexington presented on the Second Day the following Preamble and Resolution with regard to the Prayer Book:

WHEREAS, The Revised Book of Common Prayer specified the permissive uniting of the Congregation with the Minister in saying the General Thanksgiving in the Service of Morning and Evening Prayer;

AND WHEREAS, The uniting of the Congregation with the Minister in thus repeating the General Thanksgiving has become practically universal in the Church;

AND WHEREAS, There is no Invitation or indication in the Prayer Book when the Minister is going to say the General Thanksgiving, thus causing the Minister to repeat several lines of said Thanksgiving before the Congregation is aware that he is saying it, and can join in with him;

Therefore, the Delegates from the Diocese of Lexington respectfully petition the Committee on the Revision of the Prayer Book to draw up a proper Invitation to precede the General Thanksgiving, similar to that before the General Confession (let us Humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God) such as "Let us devoutly return thanks unto Almighty God and say,—"

This was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the Fifth Day presented Report No. 4 of the Committee on the Prayer Book with regard to the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Hunter of Lexington:

Inasmuch as this resolution involves an addition to the text of the Book of Common Prayer, the committee recommends that the resolution be referred to the Joint Liturgical Commission with the approval of this committee.

This recommendation was adopted.

The Rev. Malcolm W. Lockhart, D. D., of Florida on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution with regard to Communion Office:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the statement, "and now as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say" in the Communion Office, be amended by the omission of the words "are bold to," so that it shall read: "and now as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we say."

This was referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.
The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 13 of the Committee on Prayer Book, dealing with the resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Lockhart of Florida in regard to the Communion office, as follows:

The Committee on Prayer Book has considered the following resolution offered by the Rev. Malcolm W. Lockhart, D.D., of Florida, namely:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the statement, “And now as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say” in the Communion office be amended by the omission of the words “are bold to,” so that it shall read “And now as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we say.”

We request that the Committee be discharged from further consideration and that the resolution be referred to the Joint Liturgical Commission without recommendation.

The report was adopted.

Lord's Day Alliance

The Rev. F. J. Bohanan of Washington presented on the Fifth Day the following resolution in regard to the Lord's Day Alliance, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the General Convention reaffirms its action of 1934 vigorously opposing the commercializing of the Lord's Day, and again commends the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States for its continuing efforts to keep the day free from economic profit. And,

Resolved, That the following members of this Church be reappointed as members of the Board of Managers of the Lord's Day Alliance of the United States:

Rev. Dr. William Sheafe Chase.
Rev. Dr. George Fisk Dudley.
Rev. Dr. Charles T. Walkley.

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

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Seventh Day.

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

Lynching—Joint Commission to Study Causes Underlying

On motion of the Bishop of South Carolina on the Ninth Day a resolution in relation to the Anti-Lynching Bill was referred to the Committee on National and International Problems.

Dean Grant of Chicago on the Eleventh Day presented Report No. 9 of the Joint Committee on National, International and
Social Problems, and offered the following resolution on the subject of the Anti-Lynching Bill now before Congress:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, The Presidents of the two Houses be requested to appoint a Joint Commission of two Bishops, two Presbyters and two Laymen, to study the economic, social and other causes underlying the crime of lynching, and the means that may be employed to relieve the same; the Commission to report to the next Session of the General Convention.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 152.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 192.]

A similar resolution was presented in the House of Bishops by the Bishop of Washington.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 152.]

The House of Deputies concurred on the Eleventh Day by Message No. 191.

The two Bishops appointed are:

The Bishop of Mississippi.
The Bishop of Missouri.

The President of the House of Deputies appointed the following:

The Very Rev. Horace M. Ramsey, D.D., of Oregon; the Rev. R. S. Coupland, D.D., of Louisiana; Mr. Lesley McCreath, of Harrisburg; Mr. Walter Godart, of West Texas.

Marriage and Divorce, Report of Joint Commission on Continuance and Enlargement of Commission—Woman's Auxiliary to Cooperate

The Secretary of the House of Deputies on the Second Day presented the report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Professor Joseph H. Beale of Massachusetts moved that the rules be suspended and that this report be placed on the Calendar without prior reference to any committee.

This motion prevailed, and the report was placed on the Calendar (No. 6).

(See Appendix No. 20.)
No. 6 being taken from the Calendar on the Fifth Day being the report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce, the entire matter was considered by the House under the provisions of Rule 25, without reference to any Standing Committee. Reports and resolutions were presented, as follows:

1. The Majority Report of the Joint Commission by Professor Beale of Massachusetts:

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION

1. Resolved, the House of ............ concurring, that Canon 41, § V, be amended in the sentence before the word Provided to read as follows: "But this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce following the adultery of one of the contracting parties."

2. Resolved, the House of ............ concurring, that Canon 41, § VI, be amended as follows:

To change the present 2. by the addition of the word "legal" so that it will read as follows: "Lack of free or legal consent of either party", and

To change 7. by the addition of the words "or sexual perversion" so that it will read as follows: "Impotence or sexual perversion of either party undisclosed to the other."

3. Resolved, the House of ............ concurring, that Canon 41 be amended by the addition of a new section to read as follows:

§ VIII. 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 Bishop of his or her Diocese for permission to marry another person; and nothing in this Canon shall deprive the Bishop of his ecclesiastical power to permit such re-marriage if, in equity and good conscience, he shall choose so to do. However, before such permission is granted by the Bishop, he shall take legal and, if necessary, other advices, including that of the clergyman of the Parish of which the applicant is a member. He shall also inquire into the character and personality of the parties to the previous and the proposed marriage, and must determine whether the spiritual welfare of the parties thereto, and of society, will be served by the proposed marriage.

Your Commission also offers the following Resolution:

Resolved, the House of ............ concurring, that the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be continued, with power to add to its numbers, and that it be directed to confer with the leaders of other religious bodies in the hope that a move may be made towards uniformity in the attitude towards marriage and divorce.

2. The Minority Report of the Joint Commission presented by Mr. Seymour of Connecticut on behalf of himself and the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York:

PARAGRAPH 8. (Within the limits of this Canon providing for the re-marriage of the innocent party to a divorce for adultery) 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 Bishop of his or her Diocese or Missionary District for permission to marry another person; and nothing in this Canon shall deprive the Bishop of his ecclesiastical power to permit such remarriage if in equity and good conscience he shall choose so to do. Provided, however, that before such permission is granted by the Bishop, he shall take legal and other advices, including that of the clergyman of the parish of which the applicant is a member. He shall also inquire into the character and personality of the parties to the previous and proposed marriages (and satisfy himself that the adultery of the party for whose delinquency the divorce was granted in the civil court action was the true reason for instituting the action of divorce whether or not so alleged in the pleadings), and must determine whether the spiritual welfare of the parties thereto and of society will be served by the proposed marriage.

3. A resolution by Mr. Rand of Massachusetts again offering the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 41 be amended by striking out Article V. and Article VI. and that existing Article VII. be renumbered Article V.

4. A resolution by Canon Sharp of Tennessee:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § V., of Canon 41 be amended by changing the word "Canon" in line 10 and in line 21 of said Section, to the word "Section," so that the respective clauses shall read, "But this Section shall not be held to apply, etc." and "the case of the applicant conforms to the requirements of this Section."

5. A resolution by Col. James Mann of Southern Virginia:

Amending § V., of Canon 41, as follows:

After the word "action in the 7th line from the end of § V., add: and with such additional evidence as may be introduced before the Ecclesiastical Authority, after ten days written notice to the alleged guilty party.

6. A resolution by the Rev. A. R. Parshley of Rhode Island:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § VII., of Canon 41, be deleted.

7. A resolution by Professor Beale of Massachusetts:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § V., be amended by inserting at the beginning thereof the words "except as hereinafter provided."

8. A resolution by Rev. R. F. Ayres of Oregon:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § V., of Canon 41, be amended by deleting the sentence beginning "But this Canon," at the end of line 9, down to the third line from the end of § V., beginning with "Provided further," striking out the word "further." So as to 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. 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.

Provided, that it shall be within the discretion of any Minister to decline to solemnize any marriage.

9. A resolution by the Rev. C. C. Reimer of Northern Michigan:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a new section be added to read as follows: § IX. Nothing in this Canon shall be interpreted to prevent the remarriage of a man and a woman who having once been married to each other, may have been divorced: Provided that at least one year shall have elapsed since the time of divorce and that the Bishop shall have reviewed the case and in his Godly judgment such remarriage is to the best interest of both parties which judgment shall be declared in writing.

10. A resolution by Mr. J. K. Stribling of Missouri:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the second full sentence of Amendment 8 be dependent on the first and corrected by the word provided and said second sentence be changed to read as follows:

Provided before such permission is granted by the Bishop he shall take the advice of the clergyman of the parish of which the applicant is a member, as well as legal and other advices. The balance of the amendment shall read as now is.

Consideration of the Report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce and other proposed amendments to Canon 41, was continued on the Sixth Day: Resolutions were presented as follows:

1. By the Rev. R. Bland Mitchell, D. D., of Alabama:

Resolved, That Canon 41 "of the solemnization of Holy Matrimony" shall consist of the present § I., II., III., and IV., with the addition of the words, "Provided, further, that it shall be within the discretion of any Minister to decline to solemnize any marriage": to § III., Subsection [iv.] and that the remaining sections of the said Canon be placed in a separate Canon to be entitled, "Of Nullity, Divorce and the definition of Communicant Status upon Remarriage after Divorce";

That present § VI., be known as § I., of the Separate Canon and that it be amended by adding to item 2 the words "or legal" so that it shall read: "Lack of free or legal consent of either party";

That present § V., be known as § II., of the separate Canon and that it be amended by striking out all after the words "for any cause arising after marriage";

That present § VII., be known as § III., of the separate Canon.

2. By Mr. Howard of West Missouri:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That § V., of Canon 41, be amended to read as follows:

§ 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 wife of any other person then living from whom he or she has been divorced for any cause arising after marriage. If, however, 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 Bishop of his or her Diocese or Missionary District for permission to marry another person; and nothing in this Canon shall deprive the Bishop of his ecclesiastical power to permit such re-marriage, if, in equity and good conscience, he shall choose so to do. Provided, however, that before any such permission shall be granted, the Bishop shall consult the clergyman, if any there be, of the parish of which the applicant is a member, and take legal advice thereon and inquire into the character and personality of the parties to the previous and the proposed marriage and determine whether the spiritual welfare of the parties and of society, will be best served by the proposed marriage; and if after such consultation and inquiry the Bishop finds that the spiritual welfare of the applicant and of society will be best served, he may at his discretion permit such remarriage and, after the granting of such permission, any clergyman of this Church may solemnize the proposed marriage but shall not be required to do so.

3. By Mr. Bias of West Virginia again offering his amendment proposed on the Second Day.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 41, § V., be amended as follows: By striking out after the first two words, "No Minister," all that follows, and substituting in lieu of the matter stricken out, the following:

"Shall solemnize the marriage of any person divorced for cause arising after marriage, while such person, except for such divorce, has a husband or wife then living; except that a minister may solemnize the marriage of the innocent party, who, as shown by the decree or record of divorce, was granted the divorce, after personal service on, or appearance by, the guilty party, upon the ground of the adultery of the latter; but then only after one year from the divorce, and after the ecclesiastical authority certifies in writing, to the minister, that the proposed remarriage of the divorced person is authorized by this canon."

So that, as amended, the canon will read as follows:

"No Minister shall solemnize the marriage of any person divorced for cause arising after marriage, while such person, except for such divorce, has a husband or wife then living; except that a minister may solemnize the marriage of the innocent party, who, as shown by the decree or record of divorce, was granted the divorce, after personal service on, or appearance by, the guilty party, upon the ground of the adultery of the latter; but then only after one year from the divorce, and after the ecclesiastical authority certifies in writing, to the minister, that the proposed remarriage of the divorced person is authorized by this canon."
4. By the Rev. Arthur L. Walters of San Joaquin:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 41, Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony, § VII., paragraph 2 be amended by the addition of the words "and admit them to such sacraments of the Church as they may desire."

Provided, however, that no Minister shall in any case refuse these ordinances to a penitent person in imminent danger of death.

Omit paragraph 1 and renumber paragraph 2 number 1.

In accordance with the covering procedure, the debate was closed.

Resolution No. 1 proposed by the Joint Commission and reading as follows, was lost:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 41, § V., be amended in the sentence before the word Provided to read as follows: "But this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce following or followed by the adultery of one of the contracting parties."

Resolution No. 2 proposed by the Joint Commission and reading as follows, was carried:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 41, § VI., be amended as follows: To change the present 2 by the addition of the word "legal" so that it will read as follows: "Lack of free or legal consent of either party; and"

To change 7, by the addition of the words "or sexual perversion" so that it will read as follows: "Impotence or sexual perversion of either party undisclosed to the other."

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

Mr. Seymour of Connecticut moved that the Minority Report covering Canon 41, § 8 be substituted for the Majority Report.

This motion was lost.

The resolution No. 3 proposed by the Joint Commission and reading as follows was then offered:

3. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that Canon 41 be amended by the addition of a new section to read as follows:

§ VIII. 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 Bishop of his or her Diocese or Missionary District, for permission to marry another person; and nothing in this Canon shall deprive the Bishop of his ecclesiastical power to permit such re-marriage if, in equity and good conscience, he shall choose so to do. However, before such permission is granted by the Bishop, he shall take legal and other advices, including that of the clergyman of the Parish of which the applicant is a member. He shall also inquire into the char-
acter and personality of the parties to the previous and the proposed marriage, and must determine whether the spiritual welfare of the parties thereto, and of society, will be served by the proposed marriage.

The entire deputation from the Dioceses of Pennsylvania and New Jersey called for a vote by orders; the roll was called and showed the following result:

Clerical vote—aye 11¾, no 51½, divided 15.
Lay vote—aye 21½, no 48, divided 7.

The resolution was therefore lost.

The following resolutions submitted in regard to Canon 41 were then called up with the following results:

1. Resolution of Mr. Bias of West Virginia amending Canon 41, § 5.
   This motion was lost.

2. Resolution of Mr. Rand of Massachusetts, amending Canon 41, Sections 5 and 6.
   The resolution was lost.

   The resolution was lost.

4. Resolution of Professor Beale of Massachusetts, amending Canon 41, § 5.
   The resolution was lost.

5. Resolution of Mr. Mann of Southern Virginia, amending Canon 41, § 5.
   The resolution was lost.

   This resolution was lost.

7. Resolution of Mr. Howard of West Missouri, amending Canon 41, § 5.
   This resolution was lost.

   This resolution was lost.

This motion was lost.

10. Resolution of Mr. Stribling of Missouri with reference to the proposed wording of Canon 41, § 8, as contained in Resolution No. 3 proposed by the Joint Commission.

Inasmuch as that resolution had been defeated, Mr. Stribling's resolution was withdrawn.

11. Resolution of Rev. Mr. Reimer of Northern Michigan, proposing the addition of § 9 to Canon 41.

This resolution was lost.

12. Resolution of Rev. Dr. Mitchell of Alabama, proposing the division of Canon 41.

This resolution was lost.

Dr. Anderson of Georgia then moved that the report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce as amended be adopted.

It was so adopted.

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

Dr. Anderson of Georgia presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be continued, and that it be directed to confer with the leaders of other religious bodies in the hope that a move may be made toward uniformity in the attitude toward marriage and divorce.

An amendment was offered to delete the words after "continued".

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Baltimore offered as a substitute the following resolution, which was adopted:

Whereas, there is to be within the next triennium a meeting of the Lambeth Conference, and before that gathering there will be a further study of the whole subject of Marriage and Divorce:

Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be continued with the addition of five (5) members, three (3) to be appointed by the President of this House, the Commission to have power to fill vacancies with the request that they report to the next General Convention.

Dr. Anderson of Georgia on the Seventh Day moved reconsid-
eration of the resolution offered the previous day by the Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland, continuing and enlarging the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce. Reconsideration was voted.

Dr. Kinsolving thereupon offered as a substitute a modified resolution, as follows:

WHEREAS, There is to be within the next triennium a meeting of the Lambeth Conference, and, before that gathering, there will be a further study of the whole subject of Marriage and Divorce:

Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be continued with the addition of six (6) members, three (3) to be appointed by the President of this House, to report at the next General Convention.

The following amendment to the above offered by the Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be directed to confer with the leaders of other religious bodies in the hope that a move may be made towards uniformity in the attitude towards marriage and divorce.

The following amendment offered by Mr. McCook of Connecticut was also adopted, as follows:

In place of "six members, three to be appointed by the President of this House," to read "five members to be appointed by the President of this House."

The resolution thus amended was adopted, as follows:

WHEREAS, There is to be within the next triennium a meeting of the Lambeth Conference, and, before that gathering, there will be a further study of the whole subject of Marriage and Divorce:

Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be continued with the addition of five members to be appointed by the President of this House, to report at the next General Convention, and that the Commission be directed to confer with the leaders of other religious bodies in the hope that a move may be made towards uniformity in the attitude towards Marriage and Divorce.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 42.]
To change the present 2. by the addition of the word “legal” so that it will read as follows: “Lack of free or legal consent of either party”; and

To change 7. by the addition of the words “or sexual perversion” so that it will read as follows: “Impotence or sexual perversion of either party undisclosed to the other.”

AND WHEREAS, There is to be within the next triennium a meeting of the Lambeth Conference, and, before that gathering, there will be a further study of the whole subject of Marriage and Divorce:

Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be continued with the addition of five members to be appointed by the President of this House, to report at the next General Convention, and that the Commission be directed to confer with the leaders of other religious bodies in the hope that a move may be made towards uniformity in the attitude towards marriage and divorce.

The House on its part has appointed the following:

Presbyters—Rev. Robert W. Trenbath, of Newark; Rev. Samuel E. West, of Kansas.

Laymen—Mr. Randolph Bias, of West Virginia; Mr. John T. Saunders, of Kentucky; Mr. B. Alston Moore, of South Carolina.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the proposed amendments to Canons were referred to the Committee on Amendments to Canons and other matters contained in the Message were put upon the Calendar.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, reporting for the Committee on Canons, the House concurred with that portion of Message No. 42 of the House of Deputies dealing with amendments to Canon 41.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 87.]

On motion of the Bishop of Michigan on the Ninth Day, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the final resolution of the House of Deputies in Message 42 be amended to read as follows: That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be continued: That its membership shall consist of five Bishops to be appointed by the Chairman of the House of Bishops, and five Presbyters and five Laymen to be appointed by the President of the House of Deputies. This Commission shall report to the next General Convention, and is to confer with the leaders of other religious bodies in the hope that a move may be made towards uniformity in the attitude towards marriage and divorce.

The Chair appointed on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Michigan; The Bishop of Western New York; The Bishop of Missouri; The Bishop of New Jersey; The Bishop of Colorado.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 87.]
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 42 with the following amendment: Delete the last paragraph of page 1 and substitute in its place the following:

"Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that the final resolution of the House of Deputies in Message 42 be amended to read as follows: That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be continued: That its membership shall consist of five Bishops to be appointed by the Chairman of the House of Bishops, and five Presbyters and five Laymen to be appointed by the President of the House of Deputies. This Commission shall report to the next General Convention, and is to confer with the leaders of other religious bodies in the hope that a move may be made towards uniformity in the attitude towards marriage and divorce."

The Chair on the part of the House has appointed:


ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 41).

No. 41 being taken from the Calendar on the Eleventh Day being Message No. 87 of the House of Bishops, the House concurred with the House of Bishops by amending its Message, as follows:

Strike out the words "five Presbyters, and five Laymen" and substitute therefor the words "eight Presbyters and seven Laymen," so that the same shall read as follows:

"Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the final resolution of the House of Deputies in Message 42 be amended to read as follows: That this Commission on Marriage and Divorce be continued. That its membership shall consist of five bishops to be appointed by the Chairman of the House of Bishops, and eight Presbyters and seven Laymen to be appointed by the President of the House of Deputies. This Commission shall report to the next General Convention, and is to confer with the leaders of other religious bodies in the hope that a move may be made towards uniformity in the attitude towards marriage and divorce."

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 160.]

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. 87, with the following amendment:

Strike out the words "five Presbyters and five Laymen" and substitute therefor the words "eight Presbyters and seven Laymen."

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.
The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 172.]

MESSAGE No. 172. Twelfth Day of Session, October 19th, 1937.

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. 160 (referred to Message No. 87) regarding the "following amendment":

Strike out the words "five Presbyters and five Laymen" and substitute therefor the words "eight Presbyters and seven Laymen."

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary,

MESSAGE No. 129. Eighth Day of Session, October 14th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has appointed the following additional members to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce:


Laymen—Mr. Randolph Bias, of West Virginia; Mr. John J. Saunders, of Kentucky; Mr. B. Alston Moore, of South Carolina; Mr. John I. Hartman, of Harrisburg.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Mr. Page of Virginia on the Seventh Day moved that the House of Deputies express its thanks to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce for the thoroughness of treatment shown in their report, and offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce for their report which enabled the House to understand and debate a great question in a comprehensive and intelligent manner, and showed their great labor in preparing the report.

Marriage and Divorce—Woman's Auxiliary to Cooperate with Joint Commission

Major General George B. Duncan of Lexington on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution inviting the cooperation of the Woman's Auxiliary in studying the question of marriage and divorce.

Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That an invitation be extended to the Woman's Auxiliary of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, to appoint a committee fully to consider the question of marriage and divorce and to present their views to the Commission on Marriage and Divorce appointed under Resolution of the General Convention of 1937, before making their report to the General Convention of 1940.
This was placed on the Calendar (No. 29).

No. 29 being taken from the Calendar on the Tenth Day being the resolution offered by General Duncan of Lexington, asking the Woman's Auxiliary to appoint a committee fully to consider the question of Marriage and Divorce and to present their views to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce, was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 96.]

MESSAGE No. 96. Tenth Day of Session, OCTOBER 16TH, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That an invitation be extended to the Woman's Auxiliary of the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States, to appoint a Committee fully to consider the question of Marriage and Divorce and to present their views to the Commission on Marriage and Divorce appointed under Resolution of the General Convention of 1937, before making their report to the General Convention of 1940.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 113.]

Marriage and Divorce—Resolutions and Memorials Referred to the Joint Commission

The Secretary of the House of Deputies presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution of the Diocese of Rochester on the question of remarriage of divorced persons:

WHEREAS, The question of the remarriage of divorced persons has been raised; and

WHEREAS, This matter will be formally presented to the General Convention; be it hereby

Resolved, That the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester in convention assembled does hereby memorialize the General Convention that no change be made in Canon 41, § V., of the General Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church relating to the remarriage of divorced persons; and be it further

Resolved, That the delegates elected to represent this Diocese be instructed to present this memorial to General Convention meeting in the city of Cincinnati, Ohio, in October, 1937.

This was referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.
The Secretary also presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution adopted by the Council of the American Church Union on remarriage of divorced persons:

"WHEREAS, There exists in the United States of America a growing practice of easy divorce and remarriage thereafter, and whereas certain groups of clergy and laity within the Episcopal Church believe that the Canons of the Church should be changed in order that the members of the Church may receive the Sacrament of Matrimony after divorce while their husbands or wives are yet living, and whereas the members of the Council of the American Church Union believe that our Lord, the Son of God, has definitely ruled that persons who remarry after divorce are living in the sin of adultery, and whereas the Prayer Book of the Church forbids the admission of persons living in continuous and unrepented sin to the Sacrament of Holy Communion, therefore be it

Resolved, That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America be and hereby is requested to give serious consideration to the strengthening of our present Canon so that no Baptized person who has been divorced for any reason whatsoever shall be entitled to have his marriage solemnized by any minister of the Church."

The Secretary also presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution from the Diocese of Harrisburg with reference to Canon 41 governing Holy Matrimony:

Resolved, That the Diocese of Harrisburg in Convention assembled, is opposed to any change in the present Canon 41, of the Canons of General Convention, governing Holy Matrimony, which would tend to relax the existing regulations regarding marriage and divorce.

This was referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

The Secretary also presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution of the Department of Christian Social Service of the Diocese of Western Michigan approving in principle the modification of the Canon Law of divorced persons:

Be It Resolved, That the Department of Christian Social Service of the Diocese of Western Michigan approve in principle the modification of the Canon Law of this Church to permit the remarriage of divorced persons;

Be It Further Resolved, That this Department while not necessarily committing itself to the methods of relief proposed by the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce of the General Convention does nevertheless urge the passage of clear and equitable laws to make effective the intention of this Resolution.

This was referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

The Rev. Arthur S. Kean of Nevada, presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution of the Missionary District of Ne-
vada, memorializing General Convention to maintain the present marriage laws of the Church:

Resolved, That the Twenty-ninth Annual Convocation of the Missionary District of Nevada memorialize the General Convention of the Church, expressing our earnest desire that that body take no action which might in any way be constructed as jeopardizing or relaxing the present marriage laws of the Church.

This was referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia presented on the Second Day the following Preamble and Resolution on behalf of the Council of the Diocese of Virginia in regard to the Christian Ideal of Marriage:

Whereas, We believe that our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ taught that Holy Matrimony constitutes an indissoluble relationship, which ideal is recorded in the New Testament and which has been expressed and given effect in The Form of Solemnization of Matrimony in the Book of Common Prayer and the Canons of the General Convention.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, By this Council of the Diocese of Virginia:

1. That we reaffirm this ideal as contained in the Book of Common Prayer.

2. That our delegates to the General Convention of 1937 be requested to oppose any effort to relax or weaken the Canons of this Church dealing with marriage or divorce.

3. That the action of the Council of this Diocese on this matter be reported to the General Convention.

This was referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

Mr. Coates of Pennsylvania presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 41 be amended to read: "That when occasion permits the banns of marriage be published, as provided for in the Rubrics of the prayer Book."

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 15 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the resolution presented by Mr. Coates of Pennsylvania, relating to an amendment to Canon 41, in respect to publication of banns of marriage, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution presented by
Mr. Coates of Pennsylvania, relating to an amendment to Canon 41, in respect to publication of banns of marriage.

Your Committee is of the opinion that this matter is appropriately covered by the existing rubric in the Prayer Book, and that such a change in the Canon is inexpedient at this time. It, therefore, asks to be discharged from further consideration of said resolution.

The report was adopted.

Mr. E. Osborne Coates of Pennsylvania, presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution, limiting the Solemnization of Matrimony to Baptized persons:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That inasmuch as membership in Christ's Church is obtained only through the sacrament of Baptism, that Canon 41 be so amended as to provide that no minister shall solemnize a marriage unless both parties thereto have been baptized.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 14 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the resolution by Mr. Coates of Pennsylvania relating to amendment to Canon 41, that should prohibit any Minister to solemnize a marriage unless both parties thereto have been baptized.

Your Committee has considered the resolution by Mr. Coates of Pennsylvania relating to amendment to Canon 41, that should prohibit any Minister to solemnize a marriage unless both parties thereto have been baptized.

Your Committee deems such change in Canon 41 inexpedient at this time, and asks to be discharged from further consideration of said matter. It requests that the same be referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. E. W. Merrill of West Missouri on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution requesting the Commission on Marriage and Divorce to prepare a definition of marriage and of Holy Matrimony:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be requested to prepare a definition of marriage and of Holy Matrimony as these terms are used in Canon 41; and to prepare a statement as to the distinction, if any, which obtains between marriages authorized by this Church and those authorized by other Religious Bodies, and by the State alone; and to present the same for consideration at the next Session of the General Convention.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.
Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 41 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with a resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Merrill of West Missouri to the effect that the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be requested to prepare a definition of Marriage and Holy Matrimony, as used in Canon 41.

REPORT No. 41. October 16th, 1937.

Your Committee has considered a resolution presented by the Rev. Mr. Merrill of West Missouri to the effect that the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be requested to prepare a definition of Marriage and Holy Matrimony, as these terms are used in Canon 41; and to prepare a statement as to the distinction, if any, which exists between marriages authorized by this Church and those authorized by other religious bodies, and by the State alone; and to present the same for consideration at the next session of the General Convention.

As this resolution proposes no amendment to the Canons, your Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

Your Committee feels that such a study might be of assistance and suggests that Mr. Merrill's resolution be referred to the Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

The report was adopted.

Mr. Rand of Massachusetts offered on the Second Day the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Canon 41 be amended by striking out Article V. and Article VI., and that the existing Article VII., be renumbered Article V

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Dr. W. Sinclair Bowen of Washington presented on the Second Day the following resolution in regard to the marriage of Postulants, Candidates, Deacons and young Priests:

To Amend Canon 41 by inserting after § II., the following:

§ III. No Minister of this Church shall solemnize any marriage of a Postulant, or of a candidate for Holy Orders, or of a Deacon, or of a Priest for a period of three years following the date of his ordination as a Deacon, unless consent for such marriage shall have been given in writing to such Minister, by the Bishop, or if there be no Bishop, by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District in which such Postulant, Candidate for Holy Orders, Deacon or Priest is canonically resident.

Renumber the original sections III. to VII., as Sections IV. to VIII.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.
Mr. Spaulding of Michigan presented on the Second Day the following Preamble and Memorial from the Diocese of Michigan with reference to the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony:

**WHEREAS**, Canon 41, of the Canons of the General Church, entitled "Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony," does not hold before the people the ideal of Christian Marriage or meet the present day conditions of married life; and

**WHEREAS**, This Canon often places this Church in a position of inconsistency with the mind of Christ in being unable to extend forgiveness in any case to divorced people who are remarried; and

**WHEREAS**, The last section of this Canon dealing with the communicant status of those who have been married "otherwise than as this Church provides," limits the unquestioned right of anyone to apply for Holy Baptism and Confirmation in this Church; be it

Resolved, First, That this Convention memorialize General Convention to consider the majority report of the Commission on Marriage and Divorce made in 1931, especially urging the adoption of Section VII, of that report, reading as follows:

"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 domicile for permission to marry another person. The court shall thereupon inquire into the characters and personalities of the parties to the previous and to the proposed marriage, and determine whether the spiritual welfare of the parties thereto and of society will be served by the proposed marriage. If the court permits the proposed marriage, a Minister of the Church may solemnize the marriage; provided, that it shall be within the discretion of any Minister to decline to solemnize any marriage."

And, Second, That this Convention memorialize General Convention to look to further ways to revise Canon 41 that this Church may have a Canon "Of the Solemnization of Holy Matrimony" which will meet more nearly the present day conditions of married life, and which will help this Church uphold and promote the Christian conception of marriage according to the teachings and mind of Jesus Christ.

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented on the Fifth Day Report No. 10 of the Committee on Canons referring back to the House three resolutions dealing with Canon 41, and asking to be discharged from further consideration of the same:

The request was granted.

**REPORT NO. 10.**

The Committee on Canons has before it three matters relating to Canon 41 on which it has not as yet taken final action. As they seem appropriate to the discussion of the report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce, this Committee refers them back to the House herewith and asks that it be discharged from further consideration of the same. These matters are as follows:
1. Resolution presented by Mr. Rand of Massachusetts striking out Article V. and Article VI., Canon 41.

2. Resolution presented by Dr. Bowen of Washington amending Canon 41 by the insertion of a new section forbidding any Minister of this Church to solemnize the marriage of a Postulant candidate for Holy Orders, Deacon, or Priest, for a period of three years following the date of his ordination as Deacon unless consent for such marriage shall have been given by the Bishop or Ecclesiastical Authority.

3. Memorial from the Diocese of Michigan especially urging the adoption of Section VII., of the Majority Report of the Commission on Marriage and Divorce made in 1931. That report recommended that permission be given any divorced person to apply to the Ecclesiastical Marital Court of his domicile to marry another person. With such permission given by Ecclesiastical Marital Court it was left to the option of any Minister of this Church to solemnize or to decline to solemnize the marriage.

The Memorial from the Diocese further requests the General Convention to look to further ways to revise Canon 41 so as to more nearly meet present day conditions of married life, and so as to help this Church uphold and promote the Christian conception of marriage according to the teachings and mind of Jesus Christ.

It is suggested that the proponents of the foregoing matters, if they deem it advisable, bring these items up for discussion in connection with the consideration of the report of the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

Mr. John L. Powers of Iowa moved that the following request be sent to the Commission on Marriage and Divorce:

A request that the Commission on Marriage and Divorce report at the 1940 session of General Convention on these points:

1. What does this Church consider a Christian marriage?

2. May a Christian marriage be dissolved except by death of one of the parties?

3. The advisability of the establishment of a Marital Court in each Province, to which Court shall be referred all questions relating to remarriage of persons who desire to enter a Christian marriage and have been divorced by a civil court. Also, the advisability of an appeal court to be established by General Convention or the House of Bishops.

The resolution was so referred.

The Rev. Dr. Osgood of Massachusetts on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the subject of the separation of the ceremonies of civil marriage and religious marriage be committed to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce for further study and advice, and for report to the next session of General Convention.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 58.]
The House concurred in the foregoing Message on the Eighth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 65.]

Massachusetts—Resignation of Bishop Babcock and Election of Suffragan

The Bishop of Massachusetts asked the consent of this House for the election of a Suffragan Bishop in the Diocese of Massachusetts, which on motion was granted. (Second Day).

The Hon. Philip S. Parker of Massachusetts reported on the Second Day that the Right Rev. Samuel G. Babcock, D. D., had resigned his position as Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts, that the House of Bishops had accepted his resignation, and therefore offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

WHEREAS, the Bishop of Massachusetts asks the consent of the House of Deputies to elect a Suffragan Bishop for the Diocese of Massachusetts:

Resolved, That such consent be given.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 126.]

On motion of the Bishop of Olympia on the Fourth Day, the resignation of the Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts, on account of ill health, was accepted, to take effect on the 1st of January, 1938.

Messenger to the House of Bishops

The President appointed on the Seventh Day the Rev. E. Croft Gear of Minnesota as official Messenger to the House of Bishops.

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

The following Message was received from the House of Deputies on the Seventh Day:

Message No. 43.  
Seventh Day of Session,  
October 13th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that the President of this House has appointed the Rev. E. Croft Gear of Minnesota as official Messenger to the House of Bishops.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.
Michigan and Northern Michigan—Change in Boundaries of

Mr. John C. Spaulding of Michigan presented on the Second Day the following Memorial from the Diocese of Michigan with reference to the boundaries between the Diocese of Michigan and the Diocese of Northern Michigan:

The Diocese of Michigan presents this, its Memorial, and represents:

The Diocese of Michigan consists of the eastern part of the Lower Peninsula of Michigan, and the Diocese of Northern Michigan, formerly known as the Diocese of Marquette, consists of the Upper Peninsula of Michigan, the boundary being the straits of Mackinac.

The islands of Mackinac and Bois Blanc lie in the Straits of Mackinac and are included in the Diocese of Michigan although they are a part of Mackinac County which lies in the Upper Peninsula.

It has been agreed by the ecclesiastical authorities of the two Dioceses that the work of the Church in these islands can be more effectively administered under the jurisdiction of the Diocese of Northern Michigan, and the Conventions of both Dioceses have taken action for the change of diocesan boundaries, subject to the approval of the General Convention, as set forth in the annexed certified copies of Convention proceedings, as follows:

Diocese of Michigan

Amendment to Constitution as to boundaries (first passage).

Resolution for Memorial to General Convention.

Diocese of Northern Michigan

Amendment of Constitution as to name and boundaries (first and final passage).

Amendment to Canons as to name.

Resolution consenting to accept jurisdiction.

The only action remaining to be taken is the final passage of the amendment to the Constitution of the Diocese of Michigan.

The Diocese of Michigan respectfully requests the General Convention to approve the change of diocesan boundaries, so that the transfer of jurisdiction may be completed at the next Diocesan Convention.

Resolved, That the Diocese of Michigan be authorized to cede, and the Diocese of Northern Michigan to accept, jurisdiction over the islands forming a part of Mackinac County.

Resolved, That the Fifty-Second General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, meeting in Cincinnati, Ohio, October 6, 1937, be memorialized asking for the approval of the transfer of Mackinac Island and Bois Blanc Island, in Mackinac County, to the Diocese of Marquette.

This is to certify that at the Forty-second Annual Convention of the Diocese of Marquette, held at Marquette, June 2, 1937, a new Article 1 of the Constitution was finally adopted as a substitute for the old Article 1.
The new article, finally adopted, and now valid and obligatory, reads as follows:

"Article 1.—Constitution, Diocese of Northern Michigan—The Diocese of Northern Michigan embraces all that part of the State of Michigan lying north of the Dioceses of Michigan and Western Michigan, including the territory known as the Upper Peninsula, and, as a constituent part of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, accedes to, recognizes and adopts the General Constitution and Canons of the Church, and acknowledges their authority accordingly."

At the same Convention and the same day the Canons were amended by substituting the words "Diocese of Northern Michigan" for the words "Diocese of Marquette" wherever they occur.

At the same Convention and the same day the following resolution was adopted: "RESOLVED, that the Diocese of Northern Michigan consents to accept jurisdiction over the islands of the Straits of Mackinac if and when such cession of territory be made by the authorities competent to act and consent."

This was referred to the Committee on the Admission of New Dioceses.

The Rev. Mr. Henstridge of Central New York on the Eighth Day presented Report No. 3 of the Committee on Admission of New Dioceses, as follows:

Your committee begs leave to report:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring: That, whereas it has been agreed between the ecclesiastical authorities of the Dioceses of Michigan and Northern Michigan that the Diocese of Michigan shall cede to the Diocese of Northern Michigan jurisdiction over the Islands of Mackinac and Bois Blanc in the County of Mackinac and State of Michigan, and are taking proceedings to amend their respective Constitutions to embody such change in their boundaries and;

WHEREAS, the Diocese of Michigan has presented its memorial to this General Convention to approve said change of boundaries; and whereas this Convention finds that said change of boundaries will facilitate the administration of the work of this Church in said Islands; but that the matter of any change in Diocesan boundaries is effected by agreement between the Dioceses concerned and by mutual amendments to their Diocesan Constitutions:

Now, Therefore, it is the sense of this Convention: That for the greater assurance of said Dioceses this General Convention expresses its satisfaction with and approval of said proposed change of boundaries.

The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops in Message No. 64.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Sixth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 74.]
The Secretary presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution adopted by the President and Council of the Province of the Mid-West on personalizing the appeal for missionary work:

Be It Resolved, We feel that the missionary motive can be powerfully stimulated by personalizing the appeal and that no marked increase in missionary interest in giving can be expected until this is done.

Be It Further Resolved, We, therefore, request the General Convention to provide for a system of special objects supplementary to the undesignated missionary contributions from parishes; and to that end to encourage parishes, or groups of parishes, to assume the support and maintenance of particular missionaries and missionery projects, and to provide that missionaries so adopted should keep in communication with the parishes that have adopted them and should visit such parishes when in this country and become personally acquainted with the parishioners.

This was referred to the Committee on Missions.

Archdeacon Bulkley of Utah on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Missions, dealing with the request from the President and Council of the Province of the Mid-West for personalizing appeal for missionary work, as follows:

Your Committee begs to report that we find our National Council has been attempting to carry through a plan of personalizing missions during its whole life; that in 1936 the National Council, on the request from individual parishes or Dioceses, assigned some 48 actual projects, and that in the same year there came in to the National Headquarters to be credited on objectives 577 offerings for designated missionary projects. All these designated offerings were made, though this plan has never been pushed by the National Council.

We therefore present the following substitute for the resolution referred to this Committee:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General Convention commends the work of the National Council on the project method of personalizing and humanizing missions and expresses the hope that the Council will be able to promote this plan actively in the future.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 86.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 104.]

The Rev. W. A. R. Goodwin, D.D., of Southern Virginia, on the Tenth Day, presented the following resolution with regard to Missionary Giving:
To the end that the revealed mind of Christ relative to the mission of His Body, the Church, may be more fully and more personally realized and expressed, be it

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop and Council be, and They are hereby requested if found expedient so to do.

First—To approve and encourage the use of pledge cards for the every member canvass upon which each Baptized member of this Church may make a supplemental token pledge, in recognition of his or her membership in the Missionary Society, which is the Church, so commissioned by the Christ—

Second—That a Diocese and a Parish be permitted as a part of its Objective to select some Missionary field or Missionary as an object of special endeavor and receive credit for gifts made to these special interests; provided such special objectives have been included and are an integral part of the approved program budget.

This was referred to the Committee on Missions.

Mother's Union—Endorsement of

The Rev. Dr. Conkling of Pennsylvania on the Ninth Day presented the following preamble and resolution with regard to the Mother's Union.

WHEREAS, It is the mind of this House to safeguard by every means possible, the sanctity of marriage, the preservation of the Home and to promote the training of children in the Christian Faith and Life, and

WHEREAS, The Mother's Union, a society of over a half-million members in the Church of England and other parts of the Anglican Communion exists to promote such purposes and ideals

Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that the effort being made to establish branches of the Mother's Union in our Church be heartily endorsed and commended to the Clergy and laity of the Church.

This was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland on the Tenth Day presented Report No. 7 of the Committee on Christian Education, recommending favorable consideration of the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Conkling of Pennsylvania with regard to the Mothers Union. The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 115.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 130.]
The House of Deputies informs the adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the sixth Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted, and that the Commission be continued.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing message.

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

MESSAGE No. 32. Fourth Day of Session, 
OCTOBER 9TH, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the sixth Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted, and that the Commission be continued.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing message.

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

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Seventh Day:

MESSAGE No. 30. Sixth Day of Session, 
OCTOBER 12TH, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained
The Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on Church Music be instructed to prepare an enlarged list of such hymns, anthems, cantatas, or other sacred music, as shall be deemed by them fitting for use in the service of the Church, and present the same at the next meeting of General Convention.

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

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eighth Day.

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

The Rev. Charles L. Atwater of Easton presented the following resolution in regard to Prayer Book Revision:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the rubric on page x of the introduction to the Prayer Book entitled "Hymns and anthems" be amended as follows:

After the first word "Hymns" insert "and anthems," so that the whole shall read:

"Hymns and anthems set forth and allowed by the authority of this Church, and anthems in the words of Holy Scripture or of the book of Common Prayer, may be sung before and after any Office in this Book, and also before and after Sermons."

This was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the Fifth Day presented report No. 2 of the Committee on the Prayer Book:

The committee on Prayer Book begs leave to report that it has duly considered the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Atwater of Easton and referred to this committee.

Inasmuch as the substance of this resolution is included in a resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York, which will be favorably reported by the committee, the committee begs to be discharged from further consideration of the Rev. Mr. Atwater's resolution.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Howard C. Robbins, D.D., of New York presented on the Second Day the following resolution with regard to the use of Hymns and Anthems in the Book of Common Prayer:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Rubric "Hymns and Anthems" on page x of the Book of Common Prayer be amended
as follows: In line three, after the word "Prayer," insert the following: "or otherwise authorized by the Canon,"—so that the whole rubric shall read: "Hymns set forth and allowed by the authority of this Church, and Anthems in the words of Holy Scripture or of the Book of Common Prayer, or otherwise authorized by the Canon, may be sung before and after any office in this Book and also before and after Sermons."

This was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia presented on the Fifth Day report No. 3 of the Committee on the Prayer Book, recommending the adoption of the resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York:

The Committee on Prayer Book begs leave to report that it has considered the above resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York and referred to this committee.

The committee recommends the adoption of the resolution.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 13).

National Council—Joint Commission to Study and Evaluate Activities of Report of Discharged


This was placed on the Calendar (No. 3).

(See Appendix No. 21.)

No. 3 being taken from the Calendar on the Ninth Day, being the report of the Joint Commission to Consider and Evaluate the Activities of the National Council, the Rev. Dr. Hughes of Connecticut presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the report of the Joint Commission to Consider and Evaluate the Activities of the National Council be received and the commission discharged.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 92.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 110.]
Dr. Anderson of Georgia presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting of three (3) Bishops, three (3) Presbyters and three (3) Laymen be appointed to nominate members of the National Council to succeed those whose terms of office expire this year;

Resolved further, That suggestions as to nominees be invited and received from members of this House by the Presbyter first named on said committee.

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

Message No. 35.

Fourth Day of Session, October 9th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee, consisting of three (3) Bishops, three (3) Presbyters and three (3) Laymen be appointed to nominate members of the National Council to succeed those whose terms of office expire this year;

Resolved further, That suggestions as to nominees be invited and received from members of this House by the Presbyter first named on said committee.

The House on its part has appointed the following:


Laymen.—Mr. Carl Johnson, of Colorado; Mr. William G. Mather, of Ohio; Mr. Herbert W. Congdon, of Vermont.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The Bishop of Chicago moved to concur with this Message with the following amendment:

That the nominations include the proposal of the National Council that twice as many nominations as the number of vacancies be made.

The amendment was placed on the Calendar and the message withheld.

Message No. 35 was taken from the Calendar on the Sixth Day. On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the House concurred with Message No. 35 of the House of Deputies with the following amendment:

"That the Committee of General Convention on Nominations for members of the National Council shall submit twice the number of names
designated for each order; that the House of Bishops shall elect by plurality the Bishops, and the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies shall elect by plurality the Presbyters and the Laymen, each to be subject to confirmation by the other House."

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

Message 36 from the House of Bishops was presented by title on the Eighth Day and on motion of the Chairman of the Committee on Despatch of Business the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed by this House to confer with a like committee of the House of Bishops.

The House on its part has appointed the following:

Dr. J. Randolph Anderson, of Georgia; Col. James Mann, of Southern Virginia.

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

MESSAGE NO. 72. Eighth Day of Session, October 14th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that Message No. 36 from the House of Bishops was presented by title, and on motion of the Chairman of the Committee on Dispatch of Business the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of two be appointed by this House to confer with a like committee of the House of Bishops.

The House, on its part, has appointed the following: Dr. J. Randolph Anderson, of Georgia; Col. James Mann, of Southern Virginia.

ATTEND: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The Chair appointed on the part of this House:

The Bishop of Chicago.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago reporting for a Special Committee of Conference on the matter of nominations for members of the National Council, the House, so as not to impede the proceedings of the Convention, withdrew its amendment to the resolution adopted by the House of Deputies and reported to that House in Message No. 36.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 89.]

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Tenth Day:
MESSAGE No. 89.

Ninth Day of Session,  
OCTOBER 15TH, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that in consideration of the Report made by the Committee of Conference and with the purpose of saving the time of the Convention this House withdraws its amendment in concurring with Message No. 35, and now concurs with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 35 without amendment.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary,

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Eleventh Day:

MESSAGE No. 62.

Eighth Day of Session,  
OCTOBER 14TH, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that the Chair of this House has appointed on the Joint Committee to nominate members of the National Council:

The Bishop of Texas.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado.
The Bishop of Newark.

The Bishop of Newark reported the organization of the Joint Committee for Nominations for Members of the National Council with the Very Rev. P. F. Sturgess, D.D., as President, and the Very Rev. J. T. Heistand as Secretary.

Dean Sturges of Massachusetts on the Eleventh Day presented the Report of the Joint Committee for Nominations for Members of the National Council. The committee presented the names of the following persons and these were elected:

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

MESSAGE No. 136.

Eleventh Day of Session,  
OCTOBER 18TH, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has made the following elections for membership on the National Council:


The following Laymen, to serve until December 31, 1943—Mr. Robert Hallowell Gardiner, of Maine; Mr. William G. Mather, of the Diocese
A communication was received from the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, stating that the latter nominated for membership on the National Council the following women:

Mrs. James R. Cain, of Upper South Carolina; Miss Eva D. Corey, of Massachusetts; Miss Elizabeth Matthews, of Southern Ohio, and Mrs. Henry Hill Pierce, of New York.

They were elected.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 137.]

A similar report was made in the House of Bishops and the members nominated by the Committee for Membership on the National Council and by the Woman's Auxiliary were unanimously elected.

The Secretary announced that the several provinces had elected the following to represent them on the National Council:


National, International and Social Problems—Joint Committee on

Dr. Anderson of Georgia on the Second Day presented the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Committee of ten be appointed, consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters and four Laymen, to be known as the Committee on National, International and Social Problems, and to which shall be referred all motions, resolutions, memorials and petitions relating to any of the following matters, viz.:

(a) World Peace.
(b) Industrial and Economic Questions.
(c) Law and Order.
(d) Other National or International Problems.
(e) All motions, etc., seeking to commend or influence action upon any of the above matters.

Resolved further, That this committee shall from time to time report its findings and recommendations to this Convention for consideration and action at this present session.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 5.]
On motion of the Bishop of New York, the original resolution on the creation of a Committee on National and International problems was taken from the Calendar.

The Bishop of New York moved that the fifth point in that resolution, namely, "Greetings or other felicitations to any Secular Official or Officials," be included in the scope of this Committee. The resolution was lost.

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, the House concurred in the foregoing message from the House of Deputies with the amendment that the number of members be increased from three (3) Bishops, three (3) Presbyters and four (4) Laymen to five (5) Bishops, five (5) Presbyters and five (5) Laymen.

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

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Second Day.

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

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Seventh Day:


The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies, that the Chair of this House has appointed on the Committee on National, International and Social Problems the five following Bishops: Bishop of Washington, Bishop of Albany, Bishop of Missouri, Bishop of Alabama, Bishop of Oregon.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The President announced on the Fourth Day the appointment of the following to represent this House on the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems:


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

Dean Grant of Chicago presented on the Sixth Day Report No. I of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, stating that the Committee had organized by the
election of the Bishop of Washington as Chairman, and Dean Grant of Chicago as Secretary.

The Bishop of Long Island on the Sixth Day presented by title a resolution on National matters which was referred to the Committee on National and International affairs.

National, International and Social Problems—Motion Pictures in Connection with the Work of the Church

On motion of the Bishop of Washington a resolution on the subject of motion pictures and their use by the Church was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

Mr. Busey H. Howard of Washington on the Seventh Day presented the following resolution with regard to the use of motion pictures in Church work:

WHEREAS, The power of the Motion Picture to affect human behavior is unquestioned and because of the neglect by the Church of this important agency,

Be it Resolved, That the Fifty-Second Triennial Session of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church comprising Bishops, Clerical and Lay Deputies from One Hundred and Six Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions records its sympathetic interest in the continuation of experiments in the use of Motion Pictures in connection with the work of the Church to the end that suitable equipment and material may be made available to Dioceses, Parishes and Missions.

This was referred to the Committee on National, International and Social Problems.

Dean Grant of Chicago on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 8 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, dealing with the resolution presented by Mr. Howard of Washington in regard to Motion Pictures and their use by the Church, as follows:

Your Committee has carefully considered this motion and recommends its reference to the Committee on Christian Education.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland on the Tenth Day presented Report No. 8 of the Committee on Christian Education, recommending favorable consideration of the resolution of Mr. Howard of Washington with regard to the Church's use of Motion Pictures.

At this point Mr. R. W. Hollenbeck of Southern Ohio offered the following amendment to the above resolution:
"That a Censor Board, composed of two Bishops, two Presbyters and four Laymen be appointed to investigate standards and appropriateness of all films before showing same under the authority of the Protestant Episcopal Church, and such films shown must carry the number of certificate of such approval.

The amendment was lost.

The report of the Committee was then adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 116.]

MESSAGE No. 116. Tenth Day of Session, October 16th, 1937.

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

WHEREAS, The power of the Motion Picture to affect human behavior is unquestioned and because of the neglect by the Church of this important agency,

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Fifty-Second Triennial Session of the General Convention of the Episcopal Church comprising Bishops, Clerical and Lay Deputies from One Hundred and Six Dioceses and Missionary Jurisdictions records its sympathetic interest in the continuation of experiments in the use of Motion Pictures in connection with the work of the Church to the end that suitable equipment and material may be made available to Dioceses, Parishes and Missions.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred with the foregoing message on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 131.]


Mr. Samuel F. Houston of Pennsylvania presented on the Fourth Day the following Preamble and Resolution with reference to the printed program of General Convention and the question of freedom of speech:

WHEREAS, There has been printed in pamphlet form a "Program and other Information Fifty-Second Triennial Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church", on page 9 of which appears the title "Daily Events", and

WHEREAS, The implication of such a cataloging of meetings and activities is that they are officially related to the Convention and held under its sanction, notwithstanding the qualifying phrase in an Introductory paragraph; therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that in future, the official program of this Convention be limited to the meetings and activities of
the House of Bishops, the House of Deputies, the National Council, the Woman’s Auxiliary, and the other organizations heretofore designated as co-operating agencies.

Resolved further, That, as a mark of the Church’s hospitality to the freedom of speech, and of her sympathy with the purposes of all sincere and earnest persons who are laboring through various organizations for a Christian Society in harmony with the ideals expressed in the opening sermon of the Bishop of California, therefore, organizations that wish to expound certain theories or philosophies for accomplishing such high purposes be accorded a separate place on an unofficial program under an appropriate title.

Resolved further, Since it seems impracticable to reprint this year’s program, these resolutions be given to the press.

This was referred to the Committee on National, International and Social Problems.

Dean Grant of Chicago on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 7 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, dealing with the resolution on the subject of freedom of speech and the Program of Convention, offered by the delegation from the Diocese of Pennsylvania, and offered in lieu thereof the following substitute:

WHEREAS, There is the growing practice of including within the printed program of the General Convention of the Church announcements of many activities and meetings in no way related to the official business of the Convention, and

WHEREAS, Such practice is becoming increasingly confusing and oftentimes misleading,

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in all future printed programs of the Convention a section be set apart, prominently and properly headed, for the exclusive announcement of the activities of the House of Bishops, the House of Deputies, the National Council, the Woman’s Auxiliary, and those organizations commonly referred to as “co-operating agencies” and that all other notices concerning activities and meetings held at the time of, but not necessarily related to, the business of Convention be included in a separate and later section of the printed program and properly indicated; and that in preparing such separate section of the program, the hours within which the Houses of the Convention meet be avoided.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 91.]

The House of Bishops did not concur in the above (Tenth Day).

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 109.]
The Rev. Gardiner M. Day of Bethlehem presented on the Second Day the following resolution in regard to social security for lay employees in the Church:

WHEREAS, The lay employees of the Church are not included in the Social Security Act; and

WHEREAS, The Church has no pension plan which affords them social security; that therefore

We petition the General Convention to appoint a Commission to recommend for the several Dioceses of the Church a social security plan through private agencies; or we urge an amendment to the Social Security Act that will include lay employees of the Church.

This was referred to the Committee on National, International and Social Problems.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware, a resolution on Retirement Contracts for Lay Employees of the Church was referred to the Committee on Memorials and Petitions on the Fourth Day.

The Secretary of the House of Deputies on the Seventh Day presented the following recommendation from the National Council dealing with retirement contracts for lay employees of the Church:

The following recommendation of the Department of Christian Social Service was adopted by the National Council on October 4th and 5th, 1937:

WHEREAS, The Church Pension Fund, under its Charter, provides benefits only for ordained clergymen; and

WHEREAS, The Federal Social Security Act does not include in its benefits provision for the lay workers of the Church; and

WHEREAS, Many Dioceses of the Church have gone on record in favor of providing such benefits for their lay workers; and

WHEREAS, A Committee of the Department of Christian Social Service of the National Council has been giving careful study to this subject;

Therefore be it Resolved, That the National Council presents the following joint resolution to General Convention for its consideration:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That General Convention strongly recommends to the Dioceses, Parishes, Missions, institutions and other organizations of the Church that immediate consideration be given by such units of the Church to the purchase of retirement contracts to provide benefits for all lay employees, and calls attention to retirement policies available for this purpose with the Church Life Insurance Corporation, a subsidiary of the Church Pension Fund, and with other insurance companies.
Be it further Resolved, That the Department of Christian Social Service of the National Council shall promote this recommendation in the above mentioned units of the Church.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 31).

No. 31 being taken from the Calendar on the Eleventh Day, being the resolution presented by the National Council in regard to retirement contracts for lay employees of the Church, Mr. Clifford Cowin of Ohio explained its provisions.

The resolution was adopted, as above.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 164.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 183.]

Dean Grant of Chicago on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 4 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, dealing with the resolution of the Rev. Mr. Day of Bethlehem in regard to Social Insurance for Lay Employees in the Church, and reported as follows:

Your Committee begs to report that it approves the principle underlying this resolution and recommends the appointment of a Joint Committee of Six to study the matter in collaboration with the authorities of the Church Pension Fund, and to take such steps as may be feasible to effect the ends set forth in the resolution presented by the Department of Social Service of the National Council.

The report was accepted.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware on the Sixth Day a resolution relative to Lay Workers and the Pension Fund was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

On motion of the Bishop of Washington, the following resolution was adopted on the Ninth Day:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Committee of six consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen, be appointed to study the matter of social insurance for lay employees of the Church in collaboration with the authorities of the Church Pension Fund, and to take such steps as may be feasible to effect the ends set forth in the resolution presented by the Department of Social Service of the National Council.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 85.]

The Chair on the part of this House has appointed:

The Bishop of Western New York.
The Bishop of Western Massachusetts.
The House of Deputies concurred on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 171.]

This House on its part has appointed the following:

**Presbyters**

**Laymen**
1. Mr. Bradford B. Locke, of New Jersey.
2. Mr. Clinton Rogers Woodruff, of Pennsylvania.

National, International and Social Problems—War and Peace

The Rev. Samuel E. West of Kansas presented on the Second Day the following resolution in regard to Peace and War:

*Resolved*, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of the Episcopal Church in session in Cincinnati, Ohio, October, 1937, endorse and urge the passage of a Joint Resolution introduced in the House of Representatives of the United States Congress February 5, 1937, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide for a referendum on war. This measure introduced by the Hon. Louis Ludlow of Indiana and known as House Joint Resolution 199, reads as follows:

Joint Resolution, proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to provide for a referendum on war.

*Resolved*, By the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled (two-thirds of each House concurring therein) that the following article is proposed as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which shall be valid to all intents and purposes as a part of the Constitution when ratified by the legislatures of three-fourths of the several States.

Article :— Section 1. Except in the event of an invasion of the United States or its territorial possessions and attack upon its citizens residing therein, the authority of Congress to declare war shall not become effective until confirmed by a majority of all votes cast thereon in a Nationwide referendum. Congress when it deems a national crisis to exist, may by concurrent resolution refer the question of war or peace to the citizens of the States, the question to be voted on being, Shall the United States declare war on . . . . . . ? Congress may otherwise by law provide for the enforcement of this section.

*Resolved Further*, That the various Diocesan and Missionary Delegations in the House of Deputies, by their Chairman, advise the United States Senators and Representatives residing in their respective jurisdictions of this action of General Convention.

This was referred to the Committee on National, International and Social Problems.
Dean Grant of Chicago on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 2 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, dealing with the resolution presented by the Rev. Mr. West of Kansas on the subject of a National Referendum before Declaration of War.

The Committee reported as follows:

Your committee has given careful consideration to the above resolution, and while in hearty sympathy with every effort to preserve the peace is of the opinion that the sponsoring of specific acts of legislation to that end lies outside the province of the Church, and asks to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The report was adopted.

National, International and Social Problems—Peace Agencies—Co-operation with

The following communication in regard to Peace and War was received on the Ninth Day from the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary:

WHEREAS, The Executive Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Diocese of Rochester, in meeting assembled, unanimously declare their belief that war is the negation of all that Christianity stands for; and

WHEREAS, They believe that the Church should adopt a definite policy regarding the maintenance of peace; and

WHEREAS, They believe that economic tension is the underlying cause of war;

Therefore, be it Resolved, That this Triennial Meeting recommend to General Convention: That our Church encourage peace education by co-operation with existing peace agencies and movements with which the Church is in accord.

This was received for information.

Dean Grant of Chicago presented on the Eleventh Day Report No. 10 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, dealing with the Memorial of the Woman's Auxiliary on the subject of Peace Education:

WHEREAS, We believe that the Church should restate its policy regarding the maintenance of peace; and

WHEREAS, We believe that prejudice, intolerance, greed, and economic tension between nations are among the underlying causes of war;

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That it is the sense of this Convention that this Church should co-operate with such responsible peace agencies and movements as are in accord with the Church's spirit.

The resolution was adopted.
[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 153.]
The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 167.]
Similar action was taken on the Eleventh Day on motion of the Bishop of Washington reporting for the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message 153.]
The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message 178.]

MESSAGE No. 178. Twelfth Day of Session, October 19th, 1937.

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. 153 with reference to co-operation with peace agencies, and informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted a similar resolution, as contained in our Message No. 153.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

National, International and Social Problems—Immigration and Naturalization Laws Should Be Applied to All Nations Without Discrimination

The Rev. Dr. Lee of Anking on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution in regard to the modification of the present Oriental Exclusion Laws:

WHEREAS, Our Oriental Exclusion Laws have been a serious hindrance to missionary work in the Far East, and have deeply wounded these great and friendly nations, and whereas the advantage to our own country is negligible in comparison with the loss of good will which these laws occasion, therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Congress of the United States be urged so to modify our existing immigration and naturalization laws that they may be applied without discrimination to all nations and to all aliens resident in this country or later to be admitted to such residence.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems.

Dean Grant of Chicago presented Report No. 13 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, deal-
Your committee has carefully considered the resolution and begs to offer the following substitute:

WHEREAS, Our Oriental exclusion laws have been a serious hindrance to Missionary work in the Far East, and have deeply wounded these great and friendly nations, and

WHEREAS, The advantage to our country is negligible in comparison with the loss of good-will which these laws occasion;

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That we urge upon the government and people of the United States that our existing immigration and naturalization laws be applied without discrimination to all nations and to all aliens resident in this country or later to be admitted to such residence.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 155.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 169.]

Similar action was taken on the Eleventh Day in the House of Bishops and Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message 155.

The House of Deputies concurred on the Twelfth Day by Message 180.

National, International and Social Problems—War in Far East
United States Urged to Use Peaceful Means to Prevent Further Attacks on Civilians

The Rev. Dr. Lee of Anking on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution in regard to the War in the Far East:

WHEREAS, The present war in the Far East is a menace to the peace of the world and threatens all those values that nineteen centuries of Christianity have given us; therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the government of the United States be urged to use all the resources of diplomacy and all other peaceful means to prevent further attacks on civilians and to bring this war to a speedy close without further impairment of the freedom or territorial integrity of China.

Further be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Bishop of Washington and the President of this House be requested to present this resolution in person to the President and the Secretary of State.
This was referred to the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems.

Dean Grant of Chicago on the Eleventh Day presented Report No. 12 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, dealing with the resolution presented by the Rev. Dr. Lee of Anking in regard to war in the Far West.

Inasmuch as the matter had been dealt with in its Report No. 2, the Committee felt that no further action was necessary and asked to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The report was adopted.

National, International and Social Problems—Christian Principles—Affirmation of

The Rev. Dr. Fenn of Maryland on the Ninth Day presented the following statement prepared by the Members of the Department of Christian Social Service of the National Council:

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church meets at a time of world-wide confusion. The outlook in Europe was never more gloomy or more baffling of analysis. In the midst of the greatest armament race in history, a bloody Civil War in Spain, which has already taken the toll of more than a million lives, and the revival of piracy and reprisals on the High Seas, it is impossible to predict the future. With the Orient ablaze in an undeclared war which has already destroyed every vestige of non-combatant rights guaranteed in international law, the Great Powers stand aghast, unwilling to protect their own nationals and helpless to restrain the aggressor.

At home America faces one of the gravest industrial crises in the history of our country. In addition to a wave of irresponsible and unauthorized strikes, the conflict within the household of labor has further unsettled an otherwise unstable situation.

In all lands the insecurities of contemporary life have given a new appeal to those who offer security to the masses for the surrender of personal responsibility. It has imperiled freedom and threatened democracy.

Challenged by all these forces and facts which are a denial of the ideals of peace, brotherhood and human worth, the Christian must not yield in his advocacy of these ideals for any reasons of expediency. With St. Paul Christians must take their stand and assert that "None of these things move me." They must likewise affirm that the Gospel of the Kingdom carries with it a social message.

The Christian Church stands for the ideals of social justice, it stands for the sanctity of human personality: it stands for the obligation of the strong to help the weak. It is irrevocably committed to the doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God. Speaking in His name and in support of His ethic we make bold to say:
First, that in the relationship between Capital and Labor the moral right of Labor along with Capital to complete freedom of association and the unfettered opportunity to bargain collectively through representatives of its own choosing is hereby reaffirmed; that the obligation on the part of both Capital and Labor to discharge their responsibilities to each other and the community is likewise asserted.

Second, that in view of the economic insecurity to those in the low income group from the loss of work and wages as a result of illness, we assert the moral right of all of our brethren irrespective of position to adequate social protection such as Health Insurance against the hazards of disease.

Third, in the presence of the fact that nearly one-third of our population are living in sub-standard homes and that recent federal housing legislation opportunity has provided us with an opportunity to begin a nation-wide rehousing program, we reaffirm our belief in the moral claim of every citizen to decent housing, and our conviction that such efforts must begin in the local communities.

Fourth, in view of the growth of totalitarianism in different parts of the world which deny the claims of the sanctity of human personality, we utter our conviction that totalitarianism is a denial of the basis of Christianity; that it has made of the state a new idol.

We further assert that only under the ideals of constitutional democracy do we find a form of government which shelters the concept of the priceless value of the individual.

This was referred to the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems.

Dean Grant of Chicago on the Eleventh Day presented Report No. 14 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, dealing with the statement prepared by the members of the Department of Christian Social Service of the National Council.

In lieu thereof the committee offered the following Affirmation of Christian Principles:

The General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church is met at a time of world-wide confusion. The outlook in Europe, ominous and baffling of analysis, reveals the greatest armament race in history, a bloody Civil War in Spain, which already has taken the toll of more than a million lives, and the revival of piracy and reprisals on the High Seas. It is impossible to predict the future. With the Orient ablaze in an undeclared war which has destroyed every vestige of non-combatant rights guaranteed by international law, the Great Powers stand hesitant, unwilling to protect their own nationals and helpless to restrain the aggressor.

In all lands the insecurity of contemporary life has given a new weapon to those who offer security to the masses in return for the surrender of personal responsibility. It has imperiled freedom and threatened democracy.

At home we face one of the great industrial crises of our history. In addition to a wave of irresponsible and unauthorized strikes, the con-
Conflict within the household of labor has further unsettled an otherwise unstable situation. We witness a growing spirit of hate and race prejudice that, unarrested, may lead to bitter strife and disorder. In the economic and industrial world we see struggles that approximate civil war. Underlying all these lesser and more violent manifestations of a world-wide distemper resides a lowered moral standard.

The Christian Church stands for the ideals of social justice: it stands for the sanctity of human personality: it stands for the obligation of the strong to help the weak. It is irrevocably committed to the doctrine of the Brotherhood of Man and the Fatherhood of God.

We commend to the President, the Congress, and the people of the United States a strong reaffirmation of these elemental imperatives of the Christian faith, and an unfailing practice of the principles of life given to mankind by Jesus Christ, principles that relate to the security and permanence of the state and nation. We are admonished that laws without ideals are impotent, that the moral character of a people is primary, and that without it chaos ensues.

We further would affirm that to secure order, equity and peace in industry, or indeed in every area of life, the economic and social barriers to Brotherhood must be removed, intolerance and class arrogance abolished, and the rights of the individual scrupulously maintained.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Affirmation of Christian Principles be adopted by this Convention.

This Affirmation was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 156.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 170.]

The same action was taken in the House of Bishops on the Eleventh Day and communicated to the House of Deputies by Message 156. The House of Deputies concurred by Message No. 181.

National, International and Social Problems—Liberties—Civil and Religious Preservation of

On behalf of the Committee on Evangelism, the Rev. Dr. DeWolfe presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution, which was referred to the Committee on National, International and Social Problems:

WHEREAS, The Christian Religion is a universal religion and holds fast to the truth revealed by Jesus Christ that all races of men on the face of the earth, irrespective of color, race or nationality, are one great family of the one God, who is the Father of all, therefore,

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this General
Convention affirms its allegiance to this basic truth and places itself on record as opposed to the tenets of Communism in so far as it is a negation of God, and is also opposed to the Fascist or Totalitarian state or any system of nationalism as contrary to the mind of Christ.

Dean Grant of Chicago on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 6 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, dealing with the resolution of the Committee on Evangelism relative to Communism and Fascism, and offered the following substitute:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the preservation of civil and religious liberty, with the right of every man to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of his own conscience, is a matter of deep concern to all Christian people; and that we view Communism and other forms of totalitarian philosophy which deify the State and deny the basic rights and liberties of the individual as contrary to the spirit of Christianity and fraught with the gravest danger to our Christian civilization.

The resolution was adopted.

In regard to Report No. 6 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, Dr. Little of Maine on the Ninth Day moved reconsideration. This was voted.

Dr. Little thereupon moved that the report be recommitted to the committee together with the following suggestion for its amplification:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention declares its deep and abiding spiritual allegiance to the principles of full freedom of the individual to worship and to seek the love and guidance of Almighty God and that strong in Faith in One whom neither Time nor Government can conquer, we urge in Christian love, those nations who have at present unhappily forsaken that Faith to return as brothers and again become partakers with us in the challenge, courage and peace which that Faith provides.

It was so referred.

Dean Grant of Chicago presented on the Eleventh Day Report No. 11 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, offering a new resolution in place of the one which had been reconsidered by the House of Deputies and referred to the Committee for redrafting in regard to the totalitarian philosophy:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That it is the sense of this Convention that the preservation of civil and religious liberties, with the right of every man to worship Almighty God according to the dictates of his own conscience is a matter of profound Christian conviction; and that we declare our allegiance to these principles, and strong in the faith in One whom neither time nor governments can conquer, we urge in Christian love those who have at present unhappily forsaken that faith
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to return, and join us as brothers in the challenge, courage and peace which that Faith provides.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 154.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 168.]

Similar action was taken in the House of Bishops on the Eleventh Day and communicated to the House of Deputies by Message 154. The House of Deputies concurred on the Twelfth Day by Message No. 179.

Negro Work—Joint Commission on and Negro Executive Secretary for

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago, seconded by the Bishop of South Florida, the following resolution was adopted on the Sixth Day:

Resolved, That there shall be created by General Convention a Joint Commission on Negro Work consisting of four Bishops, four Priests and four Laymen, the total membership of which shall be evenly divided between the white and Negro races. The duty of this Commission shall be to advise with the National Council for the work among colored people upon a national scale.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago two resolutions concerning the Joint Commission on Negro Work were placed upon the Calendar.

MESSAGE NO. 34. Sixth Day of Session, October 12th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That there shall be created by General Convention a Joint Commission on Negro Work consisting of four Bishops, four Priests and four Laymen, the total membership of which shall be evenly divided between the white and Negro races. The duty of this Commission shall be to advise with the National Council for the work among colored people upon a national scale.

The Chair appointed on the part of this House: The Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of Texas, the Bishop of Missouri, the Suffragan Bishop of Arkansas.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary,
The House concurred.

The House on its part has appointed the following:


*Laymen*—(White)—Dr. Warren Kearny, of Louisiana; Dr. Kenneth C. M. Sills, of Maine. (Negro)—Mr. Henry K. Craft, of New York; Lieut. Lawrence Oxley, of Washington.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Chicago on the Seventh Day the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That it be recommended to the Commission by General Convention that serious consideration be given to the appointment of a Negro Executive Secretary of the Commission on Negro Work. A Negro Priest shall be appointed to this position, and he shall become an *ex-officio* member of the Commission.

It be also respectfully recommended to the Presiding Bishop by General Convention that the chairman of this Commission be a member of the National Council.

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

The above was placed on the Calendar (No. 32).

No. 32 being taken from the Calendar on the Eleventh Day being Message No. 53 of the House of Bishops, the House voted to concur.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 161.]

**MESSAGE No. 161.** Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

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. 53, with reference to the appointment of a Negro Executive Secretary of the Commission on Negro Work.

*Attest:* F. J. Clark, *Secretary."

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 173.]

**Non-Combatant War Service—Joint Commission Continued—Report of**

On motion of the Bishop of Eastern Oregon on the Fifth Day the Report of the Joint Commission on Non-Combatant War Service was placed on the Calendar.
Mr. R. W. B. Elliott of New York presented on the Fifth Day the report of the Joint Commission on Non-Combatant Service.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 18).

(See Appendix No. 22.)

No. 18 being taken from the Calendar on the Ninth Day, being the report of the Joint Commission on Non-Combatant War Service, it was presented by Mr. Elliott of New York.

The report was received.

Mr. Elliott moved the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Non-Combatant War Service be continued with instructions in co-operation with other religious bodies which have passed similar resolutions to press for the enactment of legislation as proposed by the General Convention of 1934.

In lieu thereof Mr. Houston of Pennsylvania offered the following substitute, which he presented in two parts:

1. Resolved, That this House has heard with much pleasure the report of the Commission on Non-Combatant War Service.

2. That the Commission be discharged from further consideration of the matter.

Part one was adopted.

Part two was lost.

Mr. Elliott’s motion then being called for, it was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 103.]


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 Non-Combatant War Service be continued with instructions in co-operation with other religious bodies which have passed similar resolutions to press for the enactment of legislation as proposed by the General Convention of 1934.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred with the foregoing message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 120.]
On motion of the Bishop of Washington on the Ninth Day the following resolution was adopted:

*Be it Resolved,* the House of Deputies concurring, That we assure non-combatants of our sympathy and prayers for all sufferers, commend the efforts of all peace loving nations, especially our own, to mobilize public opinion in the interests of peace, and call upon the clergy and members of our Church and people of good-will everywhere, to do their utmost to restrain aggression, uphold the sanctity of treaties, and bring about that international justice and good-will which is the only solid basis of world peace.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 84.]

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Ninth Day.

'[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 104.]

The Rev. George Floyd Rogers of Western North Carolina presented on the Second Day the following resolution with regard to Peace and War:

*Resolved,* the House of Bishops concurring, That this Convention commends the efforts along peaceful lines, now being made by the Governments of Nations, including our own, having as their purpose the establishment of peace among nations and expresses the profound hope that the desire may find fruition in reality.

This was referred to the Committee on National, International and Social Problems.

Dean Grant of Chicago on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 3 of the Joint Committee on National, International and Social Problems, dealing with resolution presented by the Rev. Mr. Rogers of Western North Carolina on the subject of Peace and War.

The committee offered the following substitute resolution:

*Whereas,* We are appalled by the slaughter and suffering of non-combatants, especially helpless women and children, in war-torn countries; and view with deep concern the increasing violation of international law, the growing resort to force in the settlement of international disputes, despite the solemn pledge of fifty-nine nations in the Kellogg-Briand pact, that such differences should be settled only by pacific means, and the ominous trend towards a general war which would shatter our civilization:

*Be it Resolved,* the House of Bishops concurring, That we assure the non-combatants of our sympathy and prayers for all sufferers, commend the effort of all peace loving nations to mobilize public opinion in the interests of peace, and call upon the clergy and members of our Church and people of good-will everywhere, to do their utmost to restrain aggression, uphold the sanctity of treaties, and bring about that international justice and good-will which is the only solid basis of world peace.
The report and resolutions were adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 90.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 108.]

Oklahoma—Admission as Diocese

The Hon. L. W. Pratt of Oklahoma presented a petition from the Missionary District of Oklahoma to be admitted as a diocese. This was referred to the Committee on Admission of New Dioceses.

The Rev. F. T. Henstridge of Central New York presented on the Fourth Day Report No. 2 of the Committee on Admission of New Dioceses, as follows:

The Committee on Admission of New Dioceses, to which has been referred the petition of the Convocation of the Missionary District of Oklahoma for consent to the formation of a new Diocese from said Missionary District, recommends the adoption of the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The Convocation of the Missionary District of Oklahoma has petitioned General Convention for consent to the formation of a new Diocese from said Missionary District; and

WHEREAS, There has been laid before this General Convention satisfactory assurance that the proposed new Diocese will contain not fewer than six Parishes and not fewer than six Presbyters who have been for at least one year canonically resident within the bounds of said proposed Diocese, regularly settled in Parishes and qualified to vote for a Bishop, and that suitable provision has been made therein for the support of the Episcopate:

Now therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, Consent is hereby given that such new Diocese be formed within the territorial limits of the Missionary District of Oklahoma as said District is now constituted, and embracing all of said District, which is the same territory proposed to be embraced within the new Diocese.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Harrisburg on the Seventh Day, reporting for the Committee on New Dioceses, the House concurred with Message No. 16 of the House of Deputies recommending that consent be given to the Missionary District of Oklahoma for the formation of a new Diocese from said Missionary District.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 52.]
The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 16, that consent be given to the Missionary District of Oklahoma for the formation of a new Diocese from said Missionary District.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Delaware the following resolution was adopted.

In concurring with the action of the House of Deputies that the Missionary District of Oklahoma be organized as an independent Diocese in union with the General Convention be it enacted by this House of Bishops:

Resolved, That in admitting the Missionary District of Oklahoma as a Diocese in union with General Convention the House of Bishops desires to congratulate our brother, the Bishop of Oklahoma, on this achievement and to recognize the remarkable work he and his associates, both Clerical and Lay, have accomplished.

In spite of one of the worst depressions this country has known the people of this District of Oklahoma have continued to build up and extend this Church in that District, have constructed new buildings, paid debts and raised funds and endowments—an accomplishment for which this House is grateful to God and to the faithfulness of His servants in the District of Oklahoma.

On motion of the Bishop of Erie the following Preambles and resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The Members of this Session of General Convention have noted with pleasure and approval the decision of their fellow Churchmen in Oklahoma to become an independent Diocese of this Church, and

WHEREAS, This step has been made only after the most heroic efforts on the part of the Bishop, other Clergy and Lay,

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That this House express its gratitude to God for this evidence of faith and assure the Bishop, other Clergy and people of Oklahoma of its congratulations on this great forward step.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 158.]
Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That this House express its gratitude to God for this evidence of faith and assure the Bishop, other Clergy and the people of Oklahoma of its congratulations on this great forward step.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 162.]


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, with reference to Oklahoma, and informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted a similar resolution, as contained in its Message No. 147.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Parsons—Bishop—Sermon at Opening Service

The Very Rev. Hugo Blankingship of Cuba presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution with regard to Bishop Parsons’s Sermon at the Opening Service:

WHEREAS, The Sermon of the Rt. Rev. Edward L. Parsons, D.D., preached at the opening Service of this Convention expressed the spirit and sentiment and to a large measure the mind of this Convention: be it

Resolved (1), That this Convention with the House of Bishops concurring and with the permission of Bishop Parsons have a large number of copies of this sermon printed and distributed through the proper channels.

Resolved (2), the House of Bishops concurring, That Bishop Parsons be requested to present this sermon again, with alterations suited to the occasion on the Church Air Series.

Resolution one was referred to the Committee on Expenses, and Resolution two was passed.

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

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 7 of the Committee on Expenses, as follows:

The Committee on Expenses has considered the resolution of Dean Blankingship of Cuba, and recommends that in view of the fact that the sermon preached at the Opening Service by Bishop Parsons was printed in full in all the newspapers, that the committee considers the printing in pamphlet form an unnecessary expense, and recommends that it be discharged from further consideration in the matter.

The report was accepted.
The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has adopted the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The sermon of the Right Rev. Edward L. Parsons, D.D., preached at the opening service of this Convention expressed the spirit and sentiment and to a large measure the mind of this Convention; therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Bishop Parsons be requested to present this sermon again, with alterations suited to the occasion, on the Church Air Series.

ATTEST: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message on the Eighth Day.

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

Peace—Sunday to Be Designated for Prayers for

Mr. Frederick A. Savage of Maryland on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution asking for specific Prayers for the establishment of peace in the Far East:

WHEREAS, To all intents and purposes a state of actual war exists in China: and

WHEREAS, Prayer was taught us by our Lord Jesus Christ, and we believe that in the power of united prayer, results can be accomplished beyond human power:

Now, therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a certain Sunday in the near future be designated by the Presiding Bishop, for every Parish of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and Missionary Districts, to offer united prayer to Almighty God for cessation of this deplorable destruction of human lives, and for the re-establishment of peace and good-will among the Nations of the East.

The above was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 125.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 125.]

Philippines—Local Name for Church There Permitted

The Rev. C. E. B. Nobes of the Philippine Islands presented on the Second Day the following Memorial from the Convocation of the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands with regard to the name of the Church:
It is the opinion of the Bishop, Clergy, and Laity of the Church in the Philippine Islands that the cause of Church Unity will be advanced and the position of the Church made clear to all, both within and without her bounds, if her corporate, legal name be changed to conform to that which is practically universal in usage by the elimination of the word “Protestant.” And further that we are of this opinion not because the word “Protestant” is undesirable from a historical point of view, but because it is misunderstood by many who are not familiar with the sense in which it was used by those who originally adopted it for use by our Communion.

This was referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

Professor Joseph H. Beale of Massachusetts presented on the Fourth Day Report No. 2 of the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution, with regard to the Memorial from the Convocation of the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands on the name of the Church.

The committee reports that it has heard a representative of the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands and realizes its difficulty. It does not, however, see how any constitutional change is involved, begs to be discharged from further consideration of the matter, and suggests that it be referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.

The report was accepted and the memorial so referred.

Brig. Gen. Noble of California on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 7 of the Committee on Prayer Book, as follows:

In reply to the memorial from the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands requesting that the word “Protestant” be deleted from the name of the Church, we do not think that this is expedient for the whole Church at the present time. We note, however, that there is precedent for special names for Foreign Missionary Districts, as for example in Southern Brazil where the term “Brazilian Episcopal Church” is in use. We recommend, therefore, that the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands be permitted to use locally the title “Philippine Episcopal Church” if it deems it advisable. We do not consider that this requires a formal resolution, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of this matter.

The Committee’s recommendation was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 127.]
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ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Physical Examination Before Marriage Required

On motion of the Bishop of New Jersey on the Fourth Day a Memorial on the requirement of a Certificate from a Physician before Marriage was referred to the Joint Commission to study the Whole Problem of Marriage and Divorce.

The Rev. Christopher Sparling, D.D., of Lexington presented on the Second Day the following resolution with regard to physical examination before marriage:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention recommend to the Legislature of every State in the Union and insular possessions the passage of a law, where such does not already exist, requiring that before a marriage license is issued both the man and the woman applying for such license shall have presented to the proper civil authority duly certified negative reports for syphilis and gonorrhea from such microscopic and blood tests and physical examinations as shall be at that time approved by the recognized public health authorities.

And the General Convention further recommends that the Conventions of the several Dioceses shall urge the Legislature of their respective States to pass a law covering the above recommendation.

This was referred to the Joint Commission on Marriage and Divorce.

The Rev. Dr. Sparling on the Ninth Day presented again the above resolution, which was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

The Rev. Dr. Gravatt of Southwestern Virginia on the Tenth Day presented Report No. 6 of the Committee on Social Service, recommending favorable action on the above resolution offered by the Rev. Dr. Sparling of Lexington in regard to recommending to the Legislatures of the several States requirement of physical examination before marriage:

The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message 118.]

The foregoing Message was put on the Calendar.
Message No. 118 of the House of Deputies was taken from the Calendar on the Twelfth Day. The House concurred with this Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 178.]

Prayer Book—Joint Commissions on in Spanish and Italian Discharged—Joint Commission on in French Continued

Book of Offices Approved

On motion of the Bishop of California on the Ninth Day, reporting for the Liturgical Commission, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commissions on the Prayer Book in Spanish and in Italian be discharged, this Convention expressing its appreciation of the service which they have rendered.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on the Prayer Book in French be continued.

Resolved, The House of Bishops approve of the publication for authorization by Bishops for use in their Dioceses the Book of Offices in process of preparation by the Liturgical Commission.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Liturgical Commission be continued.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 97.]

MESSAGE No. 134. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

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. 97, discharging the Joint Commissions on the Prayer Book in Spanish and Italian; continuing the Joint Commission on Prayer Book in French, approving the publication of the Book of Office, and the continuation of the Liturgical Commission.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Prayer Book in Italian

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

WHEREAS, In certain Dioceses of the Church, requests have come from Clergy ministering to Congregations of Italian-speaking people, for a new edition of the Book of Common Prayer in Italian, and

WHEREAS, A substantial sum is said to be available for the production of such a book, be it therefore

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That a Joint Commission consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two Laymen be appointed
to consider the advisability of preparing such an edition of the Book of Common Prayer in Italian, to report to the General Convention of 1940.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 159.]

The House of Deputies concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 185.]

The following were appointed:

- Bishop Washburn, of Newark; Bishop Taitt, of Pennsylvania; Rev. R. O. Leslie, Jr., of Newark; Rev. Francesco G. Urbano, of Long Island; Appilio Milici, M.D., of New York; Francis Zara, of Long Island.

Prayer Book—Custodian of Standard Elected—Report of

Dr. Anderson of Georgia presented on the Fifth Day the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Rev. John W. Suter, D.D., be and he is hereby elected Custodian of the Book of Common Prayer.

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

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Fifth Day.

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


The report was accepted.

(See Appendix No. 23.)

Presiding Bishop Status and Work of—Report of Joint Committee on

Mr. Samuel Thorne of New York presented on the Second Day the Report of the Joint Committee on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 5).

The Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago on the Second Day presented a Memorial from the Diocese of Chicago with reference to the work of the Presiding Bishop in the form of the following resolution, which was referred to the Joint Committee on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop:
Resolved, That this One Hundredth Convention of the Diocese of Chicago respectfully requests General Convention to take such action as may clarify the status and work of the Presiding Bishop, and more specifically may enact such constitutional and canonical legislation as may provide that the Presiding Bishop, when elected, shall resign his diocese and shall be provided with a limited jurisdiction of his own, and that his term of office shall be for life or until a retiring age of seventy years.

The Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago on the Second Day presented the report of the Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop. That portion of the report dealing with canons was referred to the Committee on Canons.

(See Appendix No. 24).

The Bishop of Minnesota presented the Report of the Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop (Second Day).

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Report of the foregoing Committee was made the order of the day on Monday morning.

The Order of the Day being called for, the Report of the Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop was taken from the Calendar (Fifth Day).

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts the House went into a Committee of the Whole with the Bishop of Indianapolis as Chairman and the Bishop Coadjutor of Kansas as Secretary.

The Bishop Coadjutor of Kansas reported to the House the proceedings of the Committee of the Whole (Fifth Day).

The Committee of the Whole organized with the Bishop of Indianapolis as Chairman, and with the Junior Bishop of the House the Bishop Coadjutor of Kansas as Secretary, the Bishop of Cuba presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That Presiding Bishop be released from any responsibility for the executive and administrative work at the headquarters of the National Council, and that the Committee on Canons be requested to prepare such changes in the Canons as may be needed and present them to the House.

On request of the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Bishop of Cuba agreed to withdraw his resolution, as the discussion had been more particularly with the matter of the presiding Bishop's relation to a Diocese.

The Committee stood for Noon-Day Prayers.
The Bishop of Massachusetts then moved that the Presiding Bishop be and remain the Bishop of a Diocese.

The Bishop of Alabama read a resolution which he proposed to offer when the House of Bishops dissolved as a Committee of the Whole, and reassembled as the House of Bishops.

The Bishop of Cuba gave notice that he would reinstate his resolution withdrawn at the request of the Bishop of Massachusetts, directly after the recess for lunch.

The House of Bishops as the Committee of the Whole adjourned for lunch. It reassembled at 2:30 o'clock. The Bishop of Colorado offered a substitute for the above motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts. It was seconded by the Bishop of Virginia.

The resolution moved is as follows:

When a Diocesan Bishop is elected Presiding Bishop, it shall be his duty to make such arrangements for administration of his Diocese as will enable him to carry out efficiently the work of the Presiding Bishop.

The Bishop of Massachusetts withdrew his motion. The Bishop of Chicago moved that action on the Bishop of Colorado's motion be postponed until the duties of the Presiding Bishop be determined. The motion was carried.

The Bishop of Cuba re-introduced his original resolution as given above. On being put to a vote, it was lost.

The Bishop of Chicago moved that the Presiding Bishop should be President of the National Council. This motion was carried.

The Bishop of Minnesota moved that the matter respecting the duties of Presiding Bishop should be referred to the Committee on Constitution and Canons. The motion was carried.

The Bishop of Delaware offered the resolution that this Committee report as an expression of opinion of this House that it has sympathy with the suggestion of the National Council that proper officers be appointed to relieve the Presiding Bishop of administrative details. This motion was carried.

The Bishop of Long Island moved an expression of sympathy with the proposal of the Committee that the Presiding Bishop's term extend to January 1st after the General Convention, after the Presiding Bishop had reached 70 years of age.

It was moved that the House rise as a Committee of the Whole. This was carried.
On motion of the Bishop of Indianapolis the resolution contained in the above report making the Presiding Bishop the President of the National Council and the resolution on the duties of the Presiding Bishop were referred to the Committee on Amendments to the Constitution.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the resolution of the above report about appointing proper officers to relieve the Presiding Bishop of Administrative details and the resolution concerning the term of office of the Presiding Bishop were referred to the Committee on Amendments to Canons.

On motion of the Bishop of Alabama a resolution to define the office and work of the Presiding Bishop one of spiritual leadership and shared responsibility for administration was referred to the Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop.

Judge Parker of Massachusetts on the Ninth Day presented the report of the Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop.

The Rev. Dr. Bowie of New York on the Ninth Day moved the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the report of the Joint Committee on the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop be received, and that the committee be continued, with the request that it study and evaluate the results for the Church and its work of the Canons adopted at this Convention concerning the Presiding Bishop and the National Council: and be prepared to report at the next General Convention or at a subsequent one.

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

MESSAGE No. 80
Ninth Day of Session,
OCTOBER 15TH, 1937.

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 Joint Committee on Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop be received, and that the Committee be continued, with the request that it study and evaluate the results for the Church and its work of the Canons adopted at this Convention concerning the Presiding Bishop and the National Council, and be prepared to report at the next General Convention or at a subsequent one.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 92.]
Presiding Bishop—Election of the Bishop of Virginia, the Rt. Rev. H. St. George Tucker D.D.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the following resolution was adopted on the Fifth Day:

Resolved, That the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint eight members of this House, one from each Province to be members of the Joint Committee to nominate three members of this House for consideration of the choice of a Presiding Bishop in accordance with the provisions of Canon 17, § I.

The Chair appointed the Presidents of the Eight Provinces with the Bishop of Eastern Oregon acting for the President of the Eighth Province and the Bishop of Maine as Convener.

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

Message No. 18

Fifth Day of Session,

October 11th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that the Chair has appointed on the part of this House a Joint Committee to nominate three members of this House for consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop in accordance with the provisions of Canon 17, § I, the following Bishops:

The Presidents of the Eight Provinces with the Bishop of Eastern Oregon acting for the President of the Eighth Province.

And further, that the Chair has appointed the Bishop of Maine as Convener.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

The President announced on the Sixth Day the appointment of the following Joint Committee to Nominate Three Members of the House of Bishops for consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop:

Very Rev. H. M. Ransey, D.D., of Oregon; Rev. R. Bland Mitchell, D.D., of Alabama; Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D., of Washington; Rev. Charles C. W. Carver, of Rochester; Mr. C. D. Blake, of Missouri; Mr. David Bronson, of Minnesota; Mr. Wirt Wright, of Chicago; and Mr. Robert Amory, of Massachusetts.

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

The Rev. Dr. Hart of Washington on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 1 of the Joint Committee to present nominations for the position of Presiding Bishop, stating that it had organized with the Bishop of Maine as Chairman, and the Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D., as Secretary.

The Bishop of Maine was called upon to report for the Committee to nominate the Presiding Bishop. The Bishop of North-
ern Indiana moved that the Report be deferred until 4 o'clock when the Bishops go in Council. The motion was lost (Seventh Day).

The Bishop of Maine reported for the Joint Committee to nominate the Presiding Bishop and placed before the House the names of:

The Bishop of Rhode Island.
The Bishop of Los Angeles.
The Bishop of Alabama.

Mr. Peterkin of West Virginia on the Tenth Day moved the House go into Executive Session to consider Message No. 101 from the House of Bishops on the election of a Presiding Bishop. It was so voted.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 101
Tenth Day of Session, October 16th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that this House has elected the Bishop of Virginia as Presiding Bishop of the Church, and that on the motion of the Bishop of Rhode Island, the election was made unanimous.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut moved that the House of Deputies confirm the election. Every deputation seconded his motion. The motion was unanimously adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 106.]
The House rose from Executive Session.

MESSAGE No. 106
Tenth Day of Session, October 16th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received in Executive Session and concurred in its message No. 101 electing the Bishop of Virginia as Presiding Bishop of the Church and that the action of this House was unanimous.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Presiding Bishop—Salary of

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented the following:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the salary of the Presiding Bishop, beginning January 1, 1938, shall be annually at the rate of $15,000.
This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 112.]

**MESSAGE No. 112**

Tenth Day of Session, October 16th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the salary of the Presiding Bishop, beginning January first, 1938, shall be annually at the rate of $15,000.

**ATTEST:** F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The House concurred with the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 127.]

**Presiding Bishop—Office and Work Defined**

(Concurrent Action Not Taken)

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, reporting for the Committee on Amendment to Canons, the following resolution was adopted on the Sixth Day:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That it is the sense of General Convention, That the office and work of The Presiding Bishop is first and foremost one of spiritual leadership, and second, that of shared responsibility for the government and administration of the Church's temporal concerns.

As a spiritual leader, the Presiding Bishop is a witness-in-chief to Christ, missionary of missionaries, first in every forward movement, and Father-in-God to the Bishops. Through him, under proper provision, the Church may make known to the World the Gospel of Christ in application to the problems of the age.

As President of the National Council, the judgment is expressed, that so far as possible, he be relieved of the details of administration, that he may give himself to the larger questions of policy and Church Statesmanship.

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

This was referred to the Committee on Canons.

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 26 of the Committee on Canons, as follows:

Your Committee has considered Message Number 46 of the House of Bishops embodying a resolution relating to the status and work of the Presiding Bishop.

Inasmuch as this resolution proposes no amendments to the Canons, your Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.
With reference to Message No. 46 of the House of Bishops, Mr. Bull of Western New York on the Ninth Day moved concurrence, with the following amendment:

That the resolution contained in Message Number 46 of the House of Bishops be amended to read as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That it is the sense of General Convention,

That the office and work of the Presiding Bishop is to increase the effectiveness of the work of this Church by spiritual leadership and the wise exercise of the powers and performance of the duties provided for his office in the Constitution and Canons. Except as may therein be provided it is not intended to abridge any of the powers and rights heretofore and now lawfully belonging to any Bishop and to every other member of this Church on questions of Doctrine, Faith and Worship, and the application of the Gospel of Christ to the problems of the age.

The House concurred with the amendment.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 102.]

MESSAGE No. 102 Ninth Day of Session,
OCtober 15th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 46, with the following amendment, to read as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That it is the sense of General Convention.

That the office and work of the Presiding Bishop is to increase the effectiveness of the work of this Church by spiritual leadership and the wise exercise of the powers and performance of the duties provided for his office in the Constitution and Canons. Except as may therein be provided it is not intended to abridge any of the powers and rights heretofore and now lawfully belonging to any Bishop and to every other member of this Church on questions of Doctrine, Faith and Worship and the application of the Gospel of Christ to the problems of the age.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House did not concur with the foregoing message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 119.]

Presiding Bishop—Joint Committee to Consider See for

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota on the Fifth Day the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, (House of Bishops, House of Deputies) concurring, that a commission consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, be appointed to consider the matter of a See for the Presiding Bishop; that this commission be authorized to enter into any necessary
preliminary negotiations looking toward that end, and requested to report to the next General Convention.

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

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 20).

No. 20 being taken from the Calendar on the Ninth Day, being Message No. 25 of the House of Bishops, Judge Parker of Massachusetts moved concurrence.

The House concurred.

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

MESSAGE No. 79 Ninth Day of Session, October 15th, 1937.

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, with reference to the appointment of a Commission to consider the matter of a See for the Presiding Bishop.

The House on its part has appointed the following:

Presbyters—
1. Rev. Clyde Brown of Washington
2. Rev. W. E. Patterson of Maine
3. Rev. Mark Rifenhark, D.D. of California

Laymen—
Mr. Randolph Bias of West Virginia
Mr. Spencer Ervin of Pennsylvania
Dr. H. W. Horn of Kansas

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops:

MESSAGE No. 35 Sixth Day of Session, October 12th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies, That the Chair on the part of this House has appointed in connection with Message No. 25 of this House on the appointment of a Commission to consider the matter of a See for the Presiding Bishop: The Bishop of Colorado, The Bishop of New Jersey, The Bishop of Alabama.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D.D., of Washington, presented on the Second Day the following report of the attitude of the Diocese of Washington toward the resolution of the General Convention of 1934 looking to the residence of the Presiding Bishop in Washington:

WHEREAS, The General Convention in 1934 requested the Diocese of
Washington to give sympathetic consideration to having the residence of
the Presiding Bishop in Washington,

(1) Therefore Be It Resolved, That the Convention of the Diocese of
Washington is entirely sympathetic with the resolution of the General
Convention in 1934 looking to the residence of the Presiding Bishop in
Washington.

(2) Be it Resolved Further, That the Convention of this Diocese
directs the attention of the General Convention to the lack of legal rela-
tionship between the Protestant Episcopal Cathedral Foundation of the
District of Columbia and the Diocese of Washington, except through the
Bishop of the Diocese of Washington, and the possible necessity for
adjustments by the General Convention with the Bishop and Chapter of
said Cathedral.

(3) Be it Resolved Further, That the Deputies from this Diocese to
the General Convention are instructed to present the foregoing resolu-
tion to the House of Deputies.

This was referred to the Joint Commission on the Status and
Work of the Presiding Bishop.

(The above reference was made before the appointment of the Joint
Commission on a See for the Presiding Bishop. The resolutions seem
to belong to the last named Commission.) (Secretary.)

Mr. Robertson of Washington, on behalf of the Diocese of
Washington, presented the following statement:

On behalf of the Diocese of Washington, I desire it to be placed on
record that no action has ever been taken by the Diocese of Washington
with respect to the proposal to move the National headquarters to Wash-
ington until the Diocese of Washington was requested so to do by the
General Convention at Atlantic City, and then it passed a resolution that
such request of the General Convention would be sympathetically con-
sidered and authorized the Bishop of Washington to appoint a committee
if the General Convention voted to continue consideration of this question.

Presiding Bishop—Appreciation of Service of Rt. Rev. James DeWolf
Perry, D.D.

Mr. Page of Virginia on the Tenth Day moved that the House
of Deputies extend to the Right Rev. James DeWolf Perry, D.D.,
its sincere thanks and grateful appreciation for the high calibre
of his service as Presiding Bishop.

This was adopted by a unanimous rising vote.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 124.]

MESSAGE No. 124. Tenth Day of Session,
October 16th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that by a
unanimous rising vote, it desires to express to the Right Rev. James
DeWolf Perry, D.D., its grateful thanks and sincere appreciation for the
consecrated, constructive and devoted service which he has rendered the Church as its Presiding Bishop since his election to that office on March 26, 1930.

ATTEND: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Provinces—Report of Joint Committee on
National Council and the Provinces

On motion of the Bishop of California, the Report of the Joint Committee on Provinces was put on the Calendar and the resolutions appended were referred to the Committee on Canons (Second Day).

Dr. Charles L. Dibble of Western Michigan presented on the Second Day the Report of the Joint Committee on Provinces.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 4).

(See Appendix No. 25.)

No. 4 being taken from the Calendar on the Fifth Day, being the report of the Joint Committee on Provinces, the Rev. Malcolm Taylor, Secretary of said committee, was invited to present the report.

At the conclusion of the presentation of the first portion of the report entitled "The National Council and the Provinces," Dr. Dibble of Western Michigan offered the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the recommendations contained in that portion of the report of the Joint Committee on Provinces dealing with the National Council and the Provinces be received and approved.

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

The second portion of the report dealing with "Resignation and Consecration of Bishops" was referred to the Committee on Canons.

MESSAGE No. 38.  Fifth Day of Session,
October 11TH, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the recommendations contained in that portion of the report of the Joint Committee on Provinces dealing with the National Council and the Provinces be received and approved.

The portion of the report referred to in the above resolution follows:
REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PROVINCES—1937

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL AND THE PROVINCES

As directed by the last General Convention the Joint Committee on Provinces conferred with representatives of the National Council on the matter of the relation of the National Council and its Departments to the Provinces and as to how the Provinces might be made "more effective agencies for the furthering of the Program of the Church."

The conference confirmed the opinion already expressed by the Joint Committee in reports to past General Conventions that much of the work which has been carried on by the Departments of the National Council could be more effectively and economically handled by the Provinces were the Provinces given sufficient resources and support to undertake such work. It is this lack of adequate support which has prevented the National Council from using the Provinces in a larger way in the promotion of the Program of the Church.

This conference between the National Council and the Joint Committee was held in the fall of 1935. A year later came the proposal by the National Council that there be a Field Secretary of the National Council in each Province, living in the Province, his support to be shared by the National Council and the Province.

This was in line with a recommendation made several years ago by the Synod of the First Province that the national field secretaries live in the Provinces and not in New York. In none of the Provinces except the First was this proposed change approved, chiefly because of the added expense to the Province in the partial support of such a field worker. The First Province, however, having already an executive secretary giving his whole time to the work of the Province, offered part of the time of its secretary for field work of the National Council and even went further in offering to bear the whole expense for the year 1937 in view of the continued financial difficulties confronting the National Council. This offer was accepted by the National Council. We call attention to this action by the First Province because it is an illustration of the general recommendations of your Committee.

Other examples of present or possible cooperation might be taken from the work of the Departments of Religious Education and Social Service. Both of these cover fields where the Church is handicapped by over centralization and where especially we believe the Province might function helpfully. In regard to Religious Education, most of the Provinces are now functioning and their work would, in our judgment, be made more efficient if the Province were given final authority and provided with sufficient funds to maintain an active secretary. This is especially true in the field of college work.

A tentative report of the Joint Committee was presented at the Provincial Synods and discussed, without however any definite action except by the Synod of the First Province which approved the recommendations of the report. The general tenor of the discussions seemed to indicate reluctance on the part of the Provinces to assume any responsibilities involving increased expenditure in view of the pressure of diocesan and national budgets. We believe, however, that we should deal with the question as a matter of principle leaving the practical difficulties to be worked out by the agencies concerned. We offer, therefore, the following recommendations:
1. We approve of the general principle of making the National Departments of Religious Education and Social Service advisory and of delegating to the Provinces the promotion of their programs insofar as the Provinces may be equipped to assume such responsibility.

2. We believe that the Field Department should seek the advice and cooperation of the Provinces and that its secretaries would, in some Provinces, work more efficiently and economically if under Provincial direction. This plan has been approved by the Synod of the First Province and is, in our judgment, worthy of trial.

3. The National Departments, in our judgment, should not wait for a better organization of all the Provinces but should work through and with each Province according to its organization and resources.

4. In order that the Provinces may be equipped to assume this larger responsibility, which, we believe, should mark the next advance step in the general work of the Church, we recommend the employment in each Province of at least one full time executive. It is obvious that a larger responsibility involves more generous support. This, we believe, will be given when the need for it is evident. The failure of the Church to take more interest in the Provinces is due largely to the lack of definite tasks assigned to the Provinces. We suggest that Provinces without executives investigate the value of such executives as indicated in the experience of those provinces where they have been employed.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was placed on the Calendar in the House of Bishops.

On motion of the Bishop of Massachusetts, Message No. 38 of the House of Deputies was taken from the Calendar. The House concurred on the Sixth Day.

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

MESSAGE No. 44. Sixth Day of Session, October 12th, 1937.

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. 38 adopting resolutions contained in that portion of the Report of the Joint Committee on Provinces dealing with the National Council.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota reporting for the Committee on Amendments to Canon in its Report No. 4 and reporting unfavorably on the proposed amendments to Canons 13 and 14 appended to the Report of the Joint Committee on Provinces, the Committee was discharged from further consideration of the matter (Fifth Day).

Judge Seymour of Connecticut presented Report No. 31 of the Committee on Canons, dealing with the report of the Joint Com-
mittee on Provinces, suggesting amendments in Canons 13 and 14, as follows:

This Committee has considered the report of the Joint Committee on Provinces, suggesting amendments to Canon 13, § I., and Canon 14, § II. These amendments in substance require the Presiding Bishop to certify testimonials as to the election of a Bishop-elect to the President of the Province in which the office is to be exercised, and requires the President of the Province to take orders for the consecration of the Bishop-elect.

Your Committee is of the opinion that such change in the Canon is inexpedient at this time and requests that it be discharged from further consideration of the same.

The report was adopted.

Publicity and Press at General Convention—Thanks for Their Cooperation

Mr. Morehouse of Milwaukee on the Tenth Day presented the following preamble and resolution expressing the thanks of the Convention to the various publicity services of the country and to the Department of Publicity, as follows:

WHEREAS, The greatest possible importance attaches to the widest dissemination of adequate and accurate reports of the proceedings of the General Convention; and

WHEREAS, The National Press Associations, the leading newspapers, local broadcasting stations, 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 expresses its profound appreciation of the generous cooperation accorded by these agencies; and further be it

Resolved, That the Convention also expresses appreciation for the excellent work of the Department of Publicity of the National Council for its effective efforts in organizing these agencies for nationwide publicity.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 120.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 122.]

Recorder of Ordinations—Election of Rev. Wm. S. Slack D.D.

Report of

On motion of the Bishop of Louisiana, the Rev. William S. Slack, D.D., was nominated to succeed himself as Recorder (Third Day).

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 14.]
The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Fourth Day:

**Message No. 14.** Third Day of Session, October 8th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, 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 the Rev. William S. Slack, D.D., as Recorder of Ordinations.

**Attest:** Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

The House of Deputies concurred with the House of Bishops on the Fifth Day.

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

**Message No. 20.** Fifth Day of Session, October 11th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 14, and elects the Rev. William S. Slack, D.D., as Recorder of Ordinations.

**Attest:** F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The Rev. Dr. Slack of Louisiana on the Second Day presented by title his Triennial Report as Recorder of Ordinations. On motion this was accepted.

(See Appendix No. 27.)

**Records—Safe Keeping of Church Records**

The Rev. Dr. Diller of Bethlehem on the Eleventh Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the matter of the preservation and safe-keeping of Church Records be referred to the Joint Committee on the Quarterly Historical Magazine of the Church for study and suggestions as to possible legislation.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 141.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 161.]
Registrar—Election of Rev. Charles L. Pardee D.D.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the Rev. Charles L. Pardee, D.D., was nominated to succeed himself as Registrar (Third Day).

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

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Fourth Day.

MESSAGE No. 13. Third Day of Session, October 8th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, 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 the Rev. Charles L. Pardee, D.D., as Registrar.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House of Deputies concurred with the House of Bishops on the Fifth Day.

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

MESSAGE No. 19. Fifth Day of Session, October 11th, 1937.

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. 13, and elects the Rev. Charles L. Pardee, D.D., as Registrar.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

Religious Education—Larger Use of Provincial Departments of

The Rev. R. K. Tucker of Georgia on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS, The active work of Religious Education in the Church must be carried on largely in the Parishes and Missions under the direct control of the minister, and is therefore largely a matter of local administration, the work of the National Department must consequently be more of a promotional, inspirational, and consultative nature. It cannot, for example, exercise any such direct control of the whole educational program of the Church, as is exercised by the National Department of Missions over the Church's whole Missionary program. A closer, more vital, and more effective contact between the Church's national leadership on the one hand, and the local workers on the other, can be maintained through strong and active provincial and diocesan departments of Religious Education. It is not desirable that there should be any weakening of the National
Department of Religious Education, but it is desirable that the provincial and diocesan departments of Religious Education be strengthened in order that the program of Religious Education shall be more effectively carried out.

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the National Council be requested to plan for and promote the larger use of and the strengthening of the Provincial Departments of Religious Education as active agents of the National Council in the field of Religious Education, and to urge upon the dioceses a larger use of diocesan agents of Religious Education.

This was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland on the Tenth Day presented Report No. 6 of the Committee on Christian Education, recommending favorable consideration of the above preamble and resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Tucker of Georgia:

The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 114.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

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

Roberts Rev. William Payne—Elected Bishop of Shanghai

Dr. Anderson of Georgia on the Eleventh Day moved that the House go into Executive Session.

It was so voted.

The following Message, No. 115, was received from the House of Bishops:

To the Presiding Officer of the House of Deputies:

It is hereby certified:

That the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in General Convention assembled in the City of Cincinnati, and State of Ohio, did on the 16th day of October, in the year of Our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, in conformity with Canon 14, § II [i.], make choice of the Reverend William Payne Roberts to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Shanghai.

JAMES DE WOLF PERRY, Bishop Presiding.

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary of the House of Bishops.

Prof. Ogden of Central New York presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on Consecration of Bishops, as follows:

The Committee of the House of Deputies on the "Consecration of Bishops" to which Message of the House of Bishops No. 115 was re-
ferred, notifying this House of the election of William Payne Roberts to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Shanghai, respectfully reports that it has examined and considered the testimonial and certificate presented by the House of Bishops, found them canonically correct and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies do approve and confirm the election of said William Payne Roberts to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Shanghai, and give consent to his consecration.

The resolution was adopted, and the election was confirmed unanimously.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 139.]

Message No. 139.  

Eleventh Day of Session,  
October 18th, 1937.

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

Resolved, That the House of Deputies do approve and confirm the election of said William Payne Roberts to be a Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of Shanghai, and give consent to his consecration.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The House rose from Executive Session.

Rowntree—Mr. Seebohm—Appreciation for His Address

The Rev. Dr. Knickerbocker of Minnesota on the Tenth Day presented the following resolution of thanks to Mr. Rowntree for his address:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention express to Mr. Seebohm Rowntree its deep appreciation for his address on "The Church and Industrial Relations" delivered before the General Convention on Friday evening, October 15th, 1937.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 123.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 146.]

Archdeacon Foreman of Erie presented on the Fifth Day the report of the Joint Commission on Rural Work.

This was received.

(See Appendix No. 26).

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi, the Report of the Joint Commission on Rural Work was put on the Calendar. (Second Day).

The Bishop of Easton presented on the Fifth Day the Report of the Joint Commission on Rural Work.

On motion of the Bishop of Honolulu, the Report of the Joint Commission on Rural Work with its appended resolution was placed on the Calendar.

On motion of the Bishop of Honolulu on the Fifth Day, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Rural Work be continued with power to fill vacancies and add to its memberships.

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

The House of Deputies on the Sixth Day concurred with the following amendment: delete "with power to fill vacancies and add to its membership".

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

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi the House did not concur in the foregoing Message and requested a Committee of Conference.

The Chair appointed on this Committee:

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi.
The Bishop of Easton.

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

Action on the above was temporarily postponed in House of Deputies on the Seventh Day.

Dr. Anderson of Georgia presented on the Eighth Day the following resolution, which was adopted:

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has
received its Message No. 37, and respectfully returns the same and calls attention to the fact that under Rule XXII of the House of Bishops and under Rule 26 of the House of Deputies, Conference Committees can only be appointed in cases where one House has amended a measure received from the other.

This Message No. 37 of the House of Bishops advises the House of Deputies that it has killed this particular measure by a vote of non-concurrence. This leaves nothing to confer about, and the House of Deputies respectfully asks that the House of Bishops will reframe its Message No. 37 so as to show what change or amendment is desired in the measure covered by the House of Deputies Message No. 39.

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

The House substituted a new Message No. 37 to ask for a Committee of Conference on the matter of a Commission having power to fill vacancies.

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

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Ninth Day:

**MESSAGE No. 37.** Ninth Day of Session, October 15th, 1937.

The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that this House does not accept the Amendment contained in Message No. 39 of the House of Deputies and asks for a Committee of Conference.

The Chair has appointed on the part of this House:

The Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi.

The Bishop of Easton.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The request for a conference was granted. The Chair appointed on the part of this House: Dr. Anderson of Georgia, Col. Mann of Southern Virginia.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 85.]

The Rev. Mr. Bull of South Carolina on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Commission on Rural Work have power to add to its membership throughout the triennium.

Action thereon was delayed owing to the fact that a similar motion previously adopted by the House of Bishops had not been concurred in by the House of Deputies, and was, at the moment, pending as a matter of conference.

Col. Mann of Southern Virginia on the Eleventh Day offered the report of the Conference Committee in regard to the amend-
ment which this House offered in concurring with the House of Bishops in its Message No. 26 with reference to the Joint Commission on Rural Work, to delete "with power to fill vacancies and add to its membership".

In place of the amendment not acceptable to the House of Bishops, the Conference Committee proposed the following: "vacancies among the Bishops of said Commission shall be filled by the Presiding Bishop and vacancies among the Lay members of the Commission shall be filled by the President of the House of Deputies."

The House thereupon voted to concur with Message No. 26 of the House of Bishops with said amendment.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 165.]

MESSAGE No. 165. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has received and approved the report of the Committee on Conference called with reference to Message No. 26 of the House of Bishops, and concurs with the House of Bishops in the Message, substituting for the words "with power to fill vacancies and add to its membership", the following:

"Vacancies among the Bishops of said Commission shall be filled by the Presiding Bishop and vacancies among the Lay members of the committee shall be filled by the President of the House of Deputies."

ATTEST: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 184.]

The Chairman of the House of Bishops appointed the following on the Joint Commission on Rural Work:

Bishops.—Coadjutor of Mississippi, Coadjutor of Virginia, Bishop of Easton, Bishop of Central New York, Bishop of Eastern Oregon, Bishop of Olympia, Coadjutor of Kansas, Bishop of Idaho, Bishop of Nevada, Bishop of Montana.

The President on the Eleventh Day appointed the following persons to serve on the Joint Commission on Rural Work:

Clergy

2. Rev. Prof. Niles Carpenter, Ph.D., Western New York.
Laymen
Province 1.

1. Mr. Harper Sibley, Rochester.
2. Professor P. B. Symonds, Ph.D., Washington.
3. Professor R. J. Colbert, Ph.D., Milwaukee.
4. Mr. Thomas R. Smith, North Texas.
5. Mr. David W. Clark, South Dakota.
8. Mr. Thomas R. Smith, North Texas.

Lay Members of the Joint Commission from the other Provinces will be appointed later.

On motion of the Bishop of Honolulu on the Fifth Day the following Resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this report be sent to the Department of Publicity of the National Council with the request that the Department consider both its publication, and its wide distribution.

Archdeacon Foreman of Erie presented on the Fifth Day the following resolution, which was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That General Convention request the National Council to print a sufficient number of copies of the report of the Commission on Rural Work for use by the Church and the Woman's Auxiliary in their study of the Church's Rural Work.

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

The House concurred in the foregoing Message on the Sixth Day.

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

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of Mississippi, the following Resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That this Report of the Joint Commission on Rural Work be referred to the Budget Committee with the recommendation that provision be made for a Secretary for Rural Work for 1938.

The Rev. Mr. Bull of South Carolina on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution asking for a full time Secretary for Rural Work on the staff of the National Council:

WHEREAS, The Report of the Joint Commission on Rural Work has brought home to us all the infinitely pressing and important tasks of the Church in our towns, villages and open country, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That General Convention direct the National Council to arrange for the appointment and maintenance of a full time secretary for Rural Work on our National Council.
This was referred to the Joint Committee on Budget and Program.

Russian Orthodox Church

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, certain resolutions in relation to the Russian Orthodox Church were put on the Calendar.

On motion of the Bishop of Albany, the Report of the Committee regarding aid to the Russian Academy was accepted and the resolutions adopted. (Second Day).

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

The following Message was received from the House of Bishops on the Fifth Day:


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

1. WHEREAS, The Russian Orthodox Church throughout the centuries has preserved the faith, lifted human apprehension of Divine truth through profound study of the manifestations of the Spirit in the Church in all ages, and has revealed the peculiar power of beauty in worship,

2. WHEREAS, The Russian Orthodox Theological Institution in Paris and the several undertakings related thereto are now rendering unique service not only to the Russian Church but also to the other Orthodox churches and even to the churches of the West, by providing theological training and research, Christian literature and through enlisting the laity in the service of the Church,

3. WHEREAS, The Russian Orthodox Church now encounters great difficulty owing to restraint in its native land and destitution abroad, as it strives continually to maintain and strengthen such work for the welfare of the Church,

4. AND WHEREAS, The Protestant Episcopal Church of America has always been mindful of the spiritual treasures which the Russian Orthodox Church thus contributes to the Church Universal, and in divers ways has sought to strengthen the bonds of fellowship between the two sister churches, as well as to give aid to the Russian Church where its needs have become known,

5. BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, the House of Deputies concurring, That this General Convention affirm the respect and affection of the Protestant Episcopal Church for the Russian Orthodox Church and authorize the appointment by the Presiding Bishop, in consultation with the Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations, of a Committee of Five, whose duty it shall be to initiate or counsel in the organization of suitable voluntary efforts for the provision of moral and material aid to the constructive spiritual forces of a Russian Orthodox Church.

ATTEND: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.
The House of Deputies concurred, with the following amendment: In Section 4, line 1, after the words "Protestant Episcopal Church", add the following: "in the United States," so that the line will read: "The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

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

MESSAGE No. 25. Fifth Day of Session, October 11th, 1937.

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. 6, with the following amendment:

In Section 4, line 1, after the words "Protestant Episcopal Church", add the following: "In the United States", so that the line will read:

"The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America."

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House of Bishops concurred in the foregoing amendment on the Fifth Day.

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

The Presiding Bishop appointed the following:

The Bishop of Rhode Island, the Bishop of Chicago, the Bishop of Quincy, the Bishop of Massachusetts, the Bishop of South Florida.

The Rev. Frederic S. Fleming, D. D., of New York, presented the following message of greeting from the Russian Orthodox Church of America:

The Bishops, Clergy and Lay Delegates of all American Councils of the Russian Orthodox Church of America assembled at 105 East Houston Street, New York City, extend their sincere greetings to you and delegates assembled in General Convention and pray that the ideal unity in Christ Jesus becomes an accomplished fact through our united endeavors.

Spirit of Missions—Appreciation of

The Rev. Robert S. Coupland, D. D., of Louisiana on the Tenth Day presented the following resolution in regard to The Spirit of Missions:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that

WHEREAS, The Spirit of Missions, official organ of the Missionary life of the Church, has entered a second century of usefulness in this cause,

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That General Convention cordially congratulates the administration of this publication, and commends it to the Bishops and Clergy of the Church and its people, urging the utmost cooperation with the editorial management of the
magazine, that the largest possible number of our people may have opportunity to be informed in text and picture of the program of the Church at work in our Missionary jurisdictions both at home and abroad.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 121.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 123.]

State of the Church—Report of Joint Committee and Continuance of Same as Ad Interim Committee

The Rev. Dr. Diller of Bethlehem on the Eleventh Day presented Report No. 2 of the Committee on the State of the Church.

The report was received.

(See Appendix No. 29).

The Rev. Dr. Diller of Bethlehem on the Eleventh Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Joint Committee on the State of the Church be continued as an ad interim Committee.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 140.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 160.]

Syphilis—Campaign Against

J. M. Trible, M. D., of Texas, presented on the Second Day the following resolution with regard to the control of syphilis:

WHEREAS, syphilis is one of the most prevalent and serious of the communicable diseases, and

WHEREAS, State and local departments of health and medical societies require the co-operation and assistance of voluntary agencies in the development of control measures directed against this disease,

Therefore, be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, assembled at Cincinnati, Ohio, pledges its assistance in the present campaign directed against syphilis and offers its support in the dissemination of knowledge pertaining to the control of this disease.
through the use of the press, the radio, public lectures and other acceptable methods for the dissemination of this information.

This was referred to the Committee on Social Service.

The Rev. Dr. Gravatt of Southwestern Virginia on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 5 of the Committee on Social Service, and offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, syphilis is one of the most prevalent and serious of communicable diseases, and

WHEREAS, Federal, State and local departments of health and medical societies require the co-operation and assistance of voluntary agencies in the development of control measures directed against this disease; Therefore, be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America endorses the campaign against syphilis now being conducted by the Federal, State and local departments of health and by the medical societies and urges the members of this Church to co-operate effectively with these organizations, especially in the dissemination of knowledge pertaining to the control of this disease; and be it further

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Secretary of the House of Deputies be directed to send a copy of these resolutions to the Social Service Department of each Diocese and Missionary District in this country.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 88.]

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 106.]

Theological Education—Report of Joint Commission on—Joint Commission on the Ministry Appointed—National Board of Examiners Approved—Study of Work of Theological Seminaries Requested

Dr. Warren Kearny of Louisiana presented on the Fifth Day the Report of the Joint Commission on Theological Education.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 16).

(See Appendix No. 30).

No. 16 being taken from the Calendar on the Eighth Day, being the report of the Commission on Theological Education, it was presented by Dr. Kearny of Louisiana.

The report was received.
On motion of the Bishop of West Virginia on the Fifth Day, the Report of the Joint Commission on Theological Education was placed on the Calendar and the resolutions appended referred to the Committee on Canons.

The Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia on the Seventh Day presented the Report of the Joint Commission to consider the present facilities for Theological Education in the Church.

On motion of Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia the following resolution was adopted as a substitute for the first resolution of the Report:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that the Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint a Committee consisting of seven Presbyters to carry out the suggestions of the Joint Commission on Theological Education as contained in Resolution No. 1 of their report, having to do with a National Board of Examiners.

Section II. The duties of the Board shall be:

a. To secure information from time to time from the several Dioceses of the Church regarding standards and methods of Boards of Examining Chaplains.

b. To prepare examination papers for those seeking admission as Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those seeking ordination to the Diaconate or Priesthood, and to submit such examination papers to the Board of Examining Chaplains of the several Dioceses as minimum requirements. The Board shall also supply samples of such examination papers to the faculties of the Church seminaries, in order to secure a degree of uniformity in theological preparation.

c. When requested by the Bishop and Board of Examining Chaplains of any Diocese the National Board of Examiners may conduct any examinations required by the Canons of the Church.

d. Reports of the duties performed by the National Board of Examiners shall be made to the House of Bishops not less than once in three years.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia, Resolution No. II was deferred until after the Report of the Committee on Amendments to Canons.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia the following resolution was adopted:

III. Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the need for enlarging and strengthening the Divinity School of the Pacific is hereby recognized, and is commended to the Commission on Theological Education as a subject for special study, the results of such study to be reported to the next General Convention.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia the Resolution No. IV was referred to the Committee on Budget and Program.
On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia the following Resolutions were carried:

V. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That it is the sense of this General Convention that no new theological seminary be established during the next three years.

VI. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Theological Education be continued.

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

**MESSAGE No. 55.**

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 Presiding Bishop be requested to appoint a Committee consisting of seven Presbyters to carry out the suggestions of the Joint Commission on Theological Education as contained in Resolution No. 1 of their report, having to do with a National Board of Examiners.

Section II. The duties of the Board shall be:

a. To secure information from time to time from the several Dioceses of the Church regarding standards and methods of Boards of Examining Chaplains.

b. To prepare examination papers for those seeking admission as Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those seeking ordination to the Diaconate or Priesthood, and to submit such examination papers to the Board of Examining Chaplains of the several Dioceses as minimum requirements. The Board shall also supply samples of such examination papers to the faculties of the Church seminaries, in order to secure a degree of uniformity in theological preparation.

c. When requested by the Bishop and Board of Examining Chaplains of any Diocese the National Board of Examiners may conduct any examinations required by the Canons of the Church.

d. Reports of the duties performed by the National Board of Examiners shall be made to the House of Bishops not less than once in three years.

III. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the need for enlarging and strengthening the Divinity School of the Pacific is hereby recognized, and is commended to the Commission on Theological Education as a subject for special study, the results of such study to be reported to the next General Convention.

V. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That it is the sense of this General Convention that no new theological seminary be established during the next three years.

VI. *Resolved*, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Joint Commission on Theological Education be continued.

**Attest:** CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

This was placed on the Calendar, No. 33.
No. 33 being taken from the Calendar on the Ninth Day, being Message No. 55 of the House of Bishops, Judge Seymour of Connecticut moved that the House concur with the House of Bishops with the following amendment: "insert after the words 'Presiding Bishop' the words 'together with the President of the House of Deputies'."

The Rev. Dr. Rollins of Virginia on the Ninth Day moved to substitute the following for Resolution No. 1 of the Joint Committee to Consider the Present Facilities for Theological Education in the Church:

Section I. Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission on the Ministry be appointed to consist of a Bishop, of representatives from the several seminaries, of an Examining Chaplain from each of the Provinces, and of two Laymen, to be appointed by the Presiding Bishop and the President of this House of Deputies.

Section II. The duties of the Joint Commission shall be:

a. To study the present status of canonical examinations and to make suggestions for their improvement.

b. To ascertain the present status of clinical training in the various seminaries and to make recommendations for the further development of this phase of theological education.

c. To investigate the standards of admission, retention and graduation of students, and such other matters as may properly come before it.

Section III. That there be an executive committee of the Joint Commission on the Ministry consisting of the Chairman, the Dean of the General Theological Seminary, a representative from one other seminary, and two examining chaplains.

This was placed on the Calendar No. 37.

Dean Rollins of Virginia on the Ninth day, calling from the Calendar his previously offered resolution, proposed it as a substitute for Mr. Seymour's amendment. The substitute prevailed. The House thereupon concurred with Message No. 55 of the House of Bishops with the amendment proposed by Dean Rollins.

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


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, with the following amendment:

For resolution No. 1 substitute the following: Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That a Joint Commission on the Ministry be appointed to consist of a Bishop, of representatives from the several seminaries, of an Examining Chaplain from each of the Provinces, and of two Laymen to be appointed by the Presiding Bishop and the President of this House.
THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

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a. To study the present status of canonical examinations and to make suggestions for their improvement.

b. To ascertain the present status of clinical training in the various seminaries and to make recommendations for the further development of this phase of theological education.

c. To investigate the standards of admission, retention and graduation of students, and such other matters as may properly come before it.

Section III. That there be an executive committee of the Joint Commission on the Ministry consisting of the Chairman, the Dean of the General Theological Seminary, a representative from one other seminary, and two examining chaplains.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The foregoing Message was referred to the Joint Commission on Theological Education.

On motion of the Bishop Coadjutor of West Virginia, the House concurred with Message No. 83 of the House of Deputies.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 134.]

MESSAGE No. 134. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

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 amendment with the substitution for Resolution No. I.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The following resolution was returned from the Committee on Budget and Program without recommendation and on motion of the Bishop of Minnesota the House adopted the resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That whereas this Commission believes that there are too many seminaries and their resources when brought together might add strength to the education of our ministry, and whereas it is impossible to make specific recommendations without thorough study of each institution, which would be expensive, therefore the Commission recommends an appropriation for this purpose if it is desired to go further with this inquiry.

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


The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has adopted the following resolution (which is Resolution IV in the Report of the Joint Commission on Theological Education):

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That whereas this Commission believes that there are too many seminaries and their resources
when brought together might add strength to the education of our ministry, and whereas it is impossible to make specific recommendations without thorough study of each institution, which would be expensive, therefore the Commission recommends an appropriation for this purpose if it is desired to go further with this inquiry.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

This was referred to the Committee on Expenses and to the Committee on Christian Education.

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Eleventh Day presented Report No. 16 of the Committee on Expenses, dealing with Message No. 99 of the House of Bishops in regard to a further survey of theological seminaries:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That whereas this Commission believes that there are too many seminaries and their resources when brought together might add strength to the education of our ministry, and whereas it is impossible to make specific recommendations without thorough study of each institution, which would be expensive, therefore the Commission recommends an appropriation for this purpose if it is desired to go further with this inquiry.

The committee recommended an appropriation not to exceed $1,000.

The report was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 162.]

MESSAGE No. 162. Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937.

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. 99, with the following amendment:

And further Resolved, That an appropriation not to exceed $1,000 is hereby made to cover the expenses of such study, to be paid by the Treasurer of General Convention.

Attest: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

The House concurred in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 181.]


The House of Bishops informs the House of Deputies that it has concurred with the House of Deputies in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 162 and adopts the amendment stated therein.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

Dean Rollins of Virginia on the Twelfth Day presented the following resolution:
Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the sum of Five Hundred Dollars ($500.00) be appropriated for the expenses of the Joint Commission on the Ministry for the next three years.

This was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 187.]
The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Twelfth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 194.]
The Secretary presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution of the Province of the Pacific on older candidates for Holy Orders:

Resolved, That the Synod refer to the Commission on the Ministry of the General Convention the desirability of reviewing the Canon in regard to the admission of Candidates for Holy Orders in cases of older men, with a view of raising the standard of requirements.

This was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 5 of the Committee on Christian Education, dealing with the resolution from the Province of the Pacific with reference to the ordination of older men, as follows:

Your Committee has considered the resolution from the Synod of the Province of the Pacific as follows:

"Resolved, That the Synod refer to the Commission on the Ministry of the General Convention the desirability of reviewing the Canon in regard to the admission of Candidates for Holy Orders in cases of older men with a view of raising the standard of requirements." And report that inasmuch as a Commission on the Ministry is being formed, that this resolution be referred to them, as requested in their resolution, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

The report was adopted.

Treasurer—Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society

Dr. Anderson of Georgia presented the following resolution, which was adopted on the Fourth Day:

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. 13.]

MESSAGE No. 13.        Fourth Day of Session,  
OCTOBER 9TH, 1937.

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

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

On motion of the Bishop of Minnesota, the House unanimously concurred in the foregoing Message on the Fourth Day.

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

Treasurer of General Convention

Dr. Anderson of Georgia presented the following which was adopted.

Election of Dr. Raymond F. Barnes as Treasurer of General Convention.

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That Dr. Raymond F. Barnes be and be is hereby elected Treasurer of the General Convention.

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

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the First Day.

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

Treasurer of General Convention—Report of for Past Triennium

On the Second Day the Treasurer, Dr. Raymond F. Barnes, presented his report as Treasurer for the period of October 1, 1934 to September 15, 1937.

This report was referred to the Committee on Expenses.

(See Appendix No. 31.)

Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Eighth Day presented Report No. 11 of the Committee on Expenses, and offered 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.

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

The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Ninth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 81.]
Mr. Gulden of Long Island on the Eighth Day presented Report No. 9 of the Committee on Expenses, containing a budget for the ensuing triennial period, as follows:

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 in 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 30th, 1940, be adopted.

That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the bills of the Registrar for the expenses of his office to a sum not to exceed $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 the Vice-Chairman.

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 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 $100.00 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 to exceed $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 $200.00 for the triennial period.

For the expenses of the Committee on Budget and Program the amount needed for their work.

For the expenses of the Treasurer's office the sum of $1,500.00 for the triennial period.

For other expenses during the coming triennial period based upon the experience of similar previous periods, a sum approximating $5,000.00.

This reported was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops in Message No. 69.]

On motion of the Bishop of East Carolina reporting for the Committee on Unfinished Business the House concurred with Message No. 69 of the House Deputies the adoption of the budget for the triennial period ending September 30th, 1940.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 100.]

Unity—Report of Joint Commission on—Approaches to—Enlargement of Joint Commission

On motion of the Bishop of California on the Fifth Day, the Report of the Joint Commission on Approaches to Unity was placed upon the Calendar.

The Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York presented on the Fifth Day the report of the Joint Commission for Conferences, etc., on Church Unity.

The report was received and the attached resolutions were placed on the Calendar (No. 14).

(See Appendix No. 33).

The Bishop of California presented on the Fifth Day the Report of the Joint Commission on Approaches to Unity.

On motion of the Bishop of California seconded by the Bishop of Los Angeles the following resolution was adopted by a rising vote:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, acting with full realization of the significance of its proposal, hereby
invites the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America to join with it in accepting the following declaration:

The two Churches one in the faith of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Word of God, recognizes the Holy Scriptures as the supreme rule of faith, accepting the two Sacraments ordained by Christ, and believing that the visible unity of Christ's Church is the will of God, hereby formally declare their purpose to achieve organic union between their respective churches.

Upon the basis of these agreements the two churches agree to take immediate steps toward the framing of plans whereby this end may be achieved.

The House stood while the Chair offered a prayer for Unity.

On motion of the Bishop of California the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved further, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Presiding Bishop be and hereby is requested to convey this invitation to the authorities of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

Resolved further, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Approaches to Unity be instructed to enter upon the negotiations contemplated in the invitation and report a plan to the next Convention.

On motion of the Bishop of California seconded by the Bishop of Pennsylvania the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Approaches to Unity be authorized to enter upon negotiations with representatives of the Reformed Episcopal Church.

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

On motion of the Bishop of Pennsylvania seconded by the Bishop of Maryland the following resolution was adopted:

The House of Bishops extends to the Reformed Episcopal Church its most affectionate greetings and hopes that time will soon come when we shall all be united in one visible body.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission be continued.

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

MESSAGE No. 27.  
Fifth Day of Session,  
OCTOBER 11th, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of
America, acting with full realization of the significance of its proposal, hereby invites the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America to join with it in accepting the following declaration:

The two Churches, one in the faith of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Word of God, recognizing the Holy Scriptures as the supreme rule of faith, accepting the two Sacraments ordained by Christ, and believing that the visible unity of Christian churches is the will of God, hereby formally declare their purpose to achieve organic union between their respective churches.

Upon the basis of these agreements the two churches agree to take immediate steps toward the framing of plans whereby this end may be achieved.

Resolved Further, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Presiding Bishop be and hereby is requested to convey this invitation to the authorities of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

Resolved Further, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Approaches to Unity be instructed to enter upon the negotiations contemplated in the invitation and report a plan to the next Convention.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Approaches to Unity be authorized to enter upon negotiations with representatives of the Reformed Episcopal Church.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission be continued.

ATTEST: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 14).

No. 14 being taken from the Calendar on the Seventh Day, being the House of Bishops Message No. 27, and resolutions from the Joint Commission for Conferences, etc., on Unity, the Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York presented the resolutions and moved concurrence.

The House concurred.

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

MESSAGE NO. 56. Seventh Day of Session, October 13th, 1937.

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, inviting the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America to join with it in accepting a declaration of faith, formally declaring their purpose to achieve organic union between their respective Churches, the Commission to report at the next General Convention, and also to enter upon negotiations with representatives of the Reformed Episcopal Church.

ATTEST: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.
On motion of the Bishop of California, the following resolution was adopted on the Eleventh Day.

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That the Commission on Approaches to Unity be increased to number five (5) Bishops, five (5) Presbyters, and five (5) Laymen.

The Chair on the part of this House appointed additional members:

The Bishop of Los Angeles.
The Bishop Coadjutor of Kansas.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 135.]

The President of the House of Deputies appointed the following on the Joint Commission on Approaches to Unity. (Twelfth Day):

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 142.]

Rev. H. C. Robbins, D.D., of New York; Very Rev. P. F. Sturges, D.D., of Massachusetts; Rev. Angus Dun, D.D., of Massachusetts; Rev. Francis J. Bloodgood, of Milwaukee; Mr. William L. Baltish, of Western North Carolina; Dr. Kenneth C. M. Sills, of Maine; Mr. C. M. Gair, of Los Angeles; Mr. John C. Spaulding, of Michigan, and Mr. Clifford P. Morehouse, of Milwaukee.

The Rev. Dr. Carmichael of Rhode Island presented the following resolution with regard to interpretation of the Prayer Book Rubric in regard to Admission to Holy Communion:

WHEREAS, The present advances of various Christian bodies towards organic unity, lately shown in the Conference on Faith and Order held in Edinburgh lay upon our Church the responsibility of taking some definite action to assure our brethren of other Christian Communions of our sincere wish to make some clear step in their direction, showing forth the love of the Master, therefore,

Be it Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That it is the sense of this Convention that the fullest freedom of interpretation be given by the clergy of this Church, to the rubric, page 299, of the Book of Common Prayer—"And there shall none be admitted to the Holy Communion, until such time as he be confirmed, or be ready and desirous to be confirmed," so that Christians of other bodies may have real assurance of the sincerity of our interest in Church unity, as we interpret the rubric to include all who love our Lord Jesus Christ; such interpretation to be measured by no less terms than those of the Exhortation to attend the Holy Communion, reading: "I purpose through God's assistance, to administer to all such as shall be religiously and devoutly disposed the most comfortable sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ." Provided that this resolution shall not be interpreted to mean that those who regularly avail themselves of the opportunity to receive the Holy Communion in our Church shall not be urged to present themselves for Confirmation.

This was referred to the Committee on Prayer Book.
The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the Ninth Day presented Report No. 12 of the Committee on Prayer Book, dealing with the resolution offered by The Rev. Mr. Carmichael of Rhode Island, with reference to the interpretation of the Prayer Book Rubric in regard to admission to the Holy Communion, as follows:

The Committee on Prayer Book has considered the following resolution, offered by the Rev. Robert R. Carmichael, of Rhode Island, and referred to this Committee.

We recommend that this resolution be referred to the Joint Commission for Conference with the Methodist, Presbyterian and Lutheran Churches on Christian Morality in Relation to Organic Unity, and Confer with the Representatives of These Other Communions Upon Lines of Approach to Unity Other Than Specifically Moral", and this Committee be discharged from further consideration.

The report was adopted.

The Rev. Dr. Robbins of New York on the Eleventh Day presented Report No. 2 of the Commission on Approaches to Unity, stating that the Commission had considered the resolution presented by the Rev. Mr. Carmichael of Rhode Island in regard to the rubric governing the admission to Holy Communion, and recommended that it be referred back to the Commission for further study and report at the next General Convention.

1. The Commission has considered the resolution offered by the Rev. Robert R. Carmichael of Rhode Island relative to the rubric on page 299 of the Book of Common Prayer on admission to the Holy Communion, and begs to offer the following report: in view of the importance of the subject in its relation to unity, and the probability of its consideration at the Lambeth Conference in 1940, the Commission recommends that it be referred back to the Commission for further study and report to the next Convention.

The report was so referred.

2. In view of the increasing interest in conferences upon lines of approach to unity, and the responsibilities devolving upon this Commission by reason of the action of this Convention, we beg to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission on Approaches to Unity be increased to five Bishops, five Presbyters and five Laymen.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 142.]
message no. 175.

Twelfth Day of Session, October 19th, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 135 with reference to a Commission on Approaches to Unity, and that it has passed a similar resolution, and has noted its appointees in Message No. 142 to the House of Bishops.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

message no. 188.

Twelfth Day of Session, October 19th, 1937.

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 on the Commission on Approaches to Unity.

Attest: Charles L. Pardee, Secretary.

Unity—Prayers for

The Rev. Wallace E. Conkling of Pennsylvania, presented on the Fourth Day the following resolution calling for Prayers for Church Unity:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in response to the inspiring addresses made in Joint Session on the Oxford and Edinburgh Conferences, urging practical Action Toward the Achievement of Christian Unity, there be recommended to the Clergy of the Church the use at every Celebration of the Holy Communion, of the collect for the Peace and Unity of the Church, found on page 49 of the Prayer Book.

This was referred to the Committee on the Prayer Book.

The Rev. Dr. Tucker of Virginia on the Seventh Day presented Report No. 9 of the Committee on Prayer Book, dealing with the resolution with regard to Prayers for Unity offered by the Rev. Mr. Conkling of Pennsylvania, as follows: The Committee on Prayer Book has considered the above resolution, offered by the Rev. W. E. Conkling of Pennsylvania, and referred to this Committee.

We recommend the adoption of the resolution amended to read as follows:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That in response to the inspiring addresses made in the Joint Session of the Oxford and Edinburgh Conferences, urging practical action toward the achievement of Christian Unity, the Bishops of this Church be requested to recommend to the clergy of their several Dioceses the constant use, at the public services of the Church, of the collect for Peace and Unity of the Church, found on page 49 of the Prayer Book, which reads as follows:
"O Lord Jesus Christ, who saidst unto Thine Apostles, Peace I leave with you, My Peace I give unto you; Regard not our sins, but the faith of Thy Church; and grant to it that peace and unity which is according to Thy will, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. Amen."

The above resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 51.]
The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Seventh Day.

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

Vacation Church Schools—Suggested Curriculum for

The Rev. Mr. Poynor of South Carolina on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Department of Religious Education be requested to prepare a curriculum, covering four years, to be used in Vacation Church Schools.

This was referred to the Committee on Christian Education.

The Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Maryland on the Tenth Day presented Report No. 9 of the Committee on Christian Education, and offered the following modification of the resolution offered by the Rev. Mr. Poynor of South Carolina:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the Department of Religious Education be requested to prepare a suggested curriculum covering four years, usable in daily Vacation Church Schools.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 117.]
The House of Bishops concurred in the above on the Eleventh Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 132.]

Wilner—Rev. Robert Franklin—Elected Suffragan Bishop of the Philippine Islands

On motion of the Bishop of Cuba, the following resolution was adopted on the Eighth Day:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That consent be given for the election of a Suffragan Bishop for the Philippine Islands.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 67.]
On motion of the Bishop of Virginia the matter of the election of a Suffragan Bishop for the Philippine Islands was referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

MESSAGE No. 67.  

Eighth Day of Session, 
OCTOBER 14TH, 1937.

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

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, That consent be given for the election of a Suffragan Bishop for the Philippine Islands.

ATTEND: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary.

The House concurred.

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

MESSAGE No. 63.  

Eighth Day of Session, 
OCTOBER 14TH, 1937.

The House of Deputies informs the House of Bishops that it has concurred with the House of Bishops in adopting the resolution contained in its Message No. 67, and hereby gives its consent to the election of a Suffragan Bishop for the Philippine Islands.

ATTEND: F. J. CLARK, Secretary.

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

Resolved, That this House proceed as soon as practicable to the nomination and election of a Suffragan Bishop for the Philippine Islands.

Dr. Anderson of Georgia, on the Eleventh Day, moved that the House go into Executive Session. It was so voted.

The following Message No. 116 was received from the House of Bishops:

To the Presiding Officer of the House of Deputies:

It Is Hereby Certified, That the House of Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church in General Convention assembled in the city of Cincinnati and State of Ohio did, on the 16th day of October, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, in conformity with Canon 14, § II, [i.], make choice of the Reverend Robert Franklin Wilner, to be a Suffragan Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands.

JAMES DE WOLF PERRY, Bishop Presiding,  
CHARLES L. PARDEE, Secretary of the House of Bishops.

Prof. Ogden of Central New York presented report No. 3 of Committee on Consecration of Bishops:
The Committee of the House of Deputies on the Consecration of Bishops to which Message No. 116 of the House of Bishops was referred, notifying this House of the election of Robert Franklin Wilner to be a Suffragan Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands, respectfully reports that it has examined and considered the testimonial and certificate presented by the House of Bishops, and found them canonically correct, and offers the following resolution:

Resolved, That the House of Deputies do approve and confirm the election of the said Robert Franklin Wilner to be a Suffragan Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands, and give consent to his consecration.

The resolution was adopted, and the election was confirmed unanimously.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 138.]

**Message No. 138.**

_Eleventh Day of Session, October 18th, 1937._

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

Resolved, That the House of Deputies do approve and confirm the election of the said Robert Franklin Wilner to be a Suffragan Bishop of this Church in the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands, and give consent to his consecration.

Attest: F. J. Clark, Secretary.

The House rose from Executive Session.

**Woman's Auxiliary—United Thank Offering of**

The Rev. Dr. Randall of Chicago on the Ninth Day presented the following resolution, dealing with the work of the Woman's Auxiliary through the United Thank Offering:

Whereas, The members of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council through their continued devotion to the progress and upbuilding of Christ's Kingdom, and as an expression of their gratitude to God for His many blessings vouchsafed to them, have expressed their devotion and thankfulness by making offerings in the Little Blue Boxes; and

Whereas, The members of the Woman's Auxiliary have presented at this Convention the United Thank Offering of $861,693.07,

Therefore, Be It Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, That the General Convention express its profound gratitude to Almighty God and its great appreciation to the members of the Woman's Auxiliary for the large and generous United Thank Offering of $861,693.07 accumulated during this past Triennium, through the many thankful and sacrificial offerings of the members, and presented at this Convention.
Resolved Further, That a copy of this resolution be sent to the National Officers of the Woman's Auxiliary and a copy be given to the Church Press.

The resolution was adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 94.]

The House of Bishops concurred unanimously in the foregoing Message by a rising vote on the Tenth Day.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 112.]

World Calendar and Stabilization of Easter

The Rev. Dr. Fleming of New York on the Ninth Day presented the following preamble and resolution with regard to Calendar revision:

Whereas

1. The General Convention in 1934 adopted a resolution endorsing a proposal to stabilize Easter and also endorsing the 12-month plan for a fixed calendar, and

2. It now appears that the 12-month plan for a fixed calendar was approved without adequate consideration of the alternate 13-month plan, and

3. It appears that the Church, as an institution, is not greatly concerned with the respective merits of the two plans for a fixed calendar, therefore be it

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring:

1. The entire resolution on the reform of the calendar as adopted by the General Convention of 1934 is hereby rescinded.

2. This Convention records its endorsement of the proposal to stabilize Easter in a fixed calendar but does not attempt to express an opinion as to the superiority of either the 12-month or the 13-month plan.

3. The Secretary is directed to communicate this resolution to the same authorities named in the final paragraph of the resolution of 1934.

This was placed on the Calendar (No. 39).

No. 39 being taken from the Calendar on the Eleventh Day being the resolution of the Rev. Dr. Fleming of New York in reference to Calendar Revision, Mr. Thomas A. Scott of Southwestern Virginia proposed the three resolutions above.
Canon Sharp of Tennessee moved that in resolution No. 2 all following the word "Easter" should be deleted.

The amendment was lost.

The motion then being on the adoption of the resolutions, they were adopted.

[Communicated to the House of Bishops by Message No. 163.]

The House did not concur in the foregoing Message.

[Communicated to the House of Deputies by Message No. 182.]
APPENDICES

APPENDIX I.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON AIDED DIOCESES AND MISSIONARY DISTRICTS—OCTOBER 7, 1937

In a series of recommendations to be submitted by the National Council to the consideration of General Convention one reads as follows:

Resolved. That consideration be given to the discontinuance of missionary districts in continental United States in order that a more equitable distribution of aid to dioceses be possible in accordance with demonstrated needs.

The National Council expressed the hope this recommendation would be referred to the General Convention Joint Commission on Aided Dioceses and Missionary Districts.

This Commission held a brief meeting in the afternoon of October 6, 1937, and expressed the judgment that it could not receive and act upon this recommendation until and unless asked to do so by the General Convention.

If the matter were so referred to this Commission by the General Convention the Commission could hardly report at the sessions of the present General Convention, for such a study would require a study of conditions. Probably no report could be furnished previous to the annual meeting of the House of Bishops in 1938.

Before that becomes the action of this General Convention this Commission has instructed its Chairman to explain that its members feel that such an investigation and report is not in accordance with the purpose and instruction given this Committee when first it was appointed and organized. The purpose then stated was to study the apparent discrepancy between the quotas for general missions assigned to Aided Dioceses as compared with those assigned to Missionary Districts.

Under our present system that discrepancy no longer exists. It may be recalled that in connection with this investigation and at the request of General Convention this Commission analyzed every appropriation made in the field of domestic missions, which report proved of such value that twelve Aided Dioceses withdrew requests for further help from the National Council—and further that this Commission presented a series of possible mergers of Missionary Districts which received unanimous acceptance and approval from the House of Bishops meeting in the City of Davenport, Iowa, in 1933, and from the General Convention meeting in Atlantic City in 1934.
In only one respect has that report been acted upon—in the transfer of Northern Idaho to the District of Spokane. This Commission feels so strongly the need of further action, it would advise that it be continued to urge further action in mergers as the conditions open the way to such a proceeding. The Commission feels that unless some Commission is prepared to press the matter it may be allowed to lapse.

To take up such a matter as is suggested in this Resolution of the National Council to discontinue Missionary Districts would quite revolutionize our present practice. Further authority should be given this Commission if it be the wish of General Convention to have the subject investigated and a report made thereon. If the subject is assigned, the Commission asks for this added authority and suggests the Commission be renamed to indicate more clearly the scope of its work.

The Commission further notifies this General Convention that the status of its members has been changed.

Two valuable members, Dr. William Appleton Lawrence and Rev. Dr. Benjamin Dagwell, were appointed as Presbyters and have now been consecrated Bishops. There are now seven Bishops who are members.

Rev. Dr. Johnson is deceased.

If the Commission is to be continued it would seem wise to have the surviving members continued because of their acquaintance with what has been done, but the President of the House of Bishops and the President of the House of Deputies should reorganize the Commission by the reappointment of its membership.

If the General Convention will make its purpose and will known the Commission will be guided by its action and to that end submit the following:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, that the Commission appointed to study the apparent discrepancy between the quotas assigned to Aided Dioceses and Mission Districts be continued under the title of A Joint Commission on Appropriations made by the National Council in the Domestic Field.

Resolved further, That this Commission be reappointed by the appointment by the Chairman of the House of Bishops of five Bishops—and by the appointment by the President of the House of Deputies of five Presbyters and five laymen to serve on the same.

Resolved further, That this Commission be requested to make a new evaluation of projects receiving appropriations in the field of continental domestic missions—and report its findings to the National Council and to the next meeting of General Convention.

Resolved, That this Commission be authorized to report upon the recommendation of National Council “That consideration be given to the discontinuance of Missionary Districts in continental United States in order that a more equitable distribution of aid to dioceses be possible in accordance with demonstrated needs.”

For action on the above see page 242.
To the Bishops, Clergy and Laity of the Church:

The Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains makes its Sixth Triennial Report to General Convention.

The routine work of the Commission has continued throughout the past three years with the usual accession of many Reserve Chaplains and a few appointments to the Regular Chaplains Corps in the Army and Navy.

CCC CAMPS

During this period many of our parochial clergy have volunteered service with the CCC Camps, and in doing so have contributed much to the moral and spiritual well being of the personnel of these widely scattered bodies. This new government enterprise has assumed such large proportions, comprising as it does several hundred thousands of the youth of America, that there is increasing need for Chaplains' service, and your Commission has, as far as possible, met these demands, and reports indicate the great value of the work rendered. Such service requires peculiar fitness, and if the CCC Camps are to continue, as now seems probable, they may call for an increasing number of Chaplains, and doubtless there will be the demand for permanent appointments.

QUOTA SYSTEM

In this as in the two branches of the service—the Army and Navy—we are restricted to a quota system. The quotas in these two services have been filled, and in some instances, through the generosity of the Government, particularly of the Navy Department, we have had more than our quota allowed.

STATUS OF CHAPLAINS

The question has been raised in some parts as to the wisdom of maintaining the military or naval rank of the two services. It is the judgment of your Commission that for every reason this rank should be maintained. In the Medical Corps, for instance, distinction in rank is allowed beyond that given to the Chaplains, and it is your Commission's judgment that the service of the Chaplains should receive as great distinction and honor as that accorded the medical profession, important as that branch of the service is.

CHIEFS OF CHAPLAINS

The Chiefs of Chaplains in both branches have co-operated with your Commission, and the Chairman of the Commission has been in frequent contact with them on matters concerning both appointment and discipline.

PERSONNEL OF THE COMMISSION

The personnel of the Commission has varied but in one instance since our report to General Convention of 1934. At the present time it comprises the following:
The Commission lost one of its most valued and efficient members in the death of the Reverend Doctor H. Percy Silver. Dr. Silver had been an active Chaplain in the service and at all times was one of the most outstanding of the Commission members.

The headquarters of the Commission have been maintained throughout the triennium, and the Chairman has been in correspondence with Chaplains in various parts of the world. We reaffirm what we have said on other occasions, namely, that the maintenance of a Commission on Army and Navy Chaplains in times of peace is as urgently needed as in times of war.

**Chaplains Changing Church Affiliation**

The Commission feels that where applications are received by Bishops from men of other communions who are regular Chaplains in the Army or Navy and who are desirous of entering the ministry of this Church, the Chairman of the Commission should be communicated with before any action is taken looking to their reception into our Church. Where these Chaplains are received or recommend for admission to the ministry of this Church it sometimes means placing limitations upon those already of our own communion who are ready and desirous of serving as regular Chaplains.

**Available Men**

It is also most desirable that Bishops should from time to time communicate with the Chairman of the Commission concerning fit and available Priests of this Church who are eligible for appointment to the regular service. It frequently happens (and this is more true of the naval branch of the service) that where opportunity is afforded, the Commission finds itself embarrassed in securing the right man for recommendation for appointment, due to lack of sufficient information in the office of the Commission in Washington as to available men in the various dioceses.

**Reports**

The Report of the Treasurer is herewith submitted and appended, with a list of the Clergy who are serving as Regular Commissioned Army

*Members of the Executive Committee.*
ARMY AND NAVY COMMISSION

and Navy Chaplains and Chaplains in the Officers Reserve Corps and the Naval Reserve.

Your Commission asks to be continued.  

JAMES E. FREEMAN,  
Chairman, Army and Navy Commission of the Episcopal Church.  
CLAYTON E. WHEAT, Secretary.

October 2, 1937.

AR ARMY AND NAVY COMMISSION OF THE  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR PERIOD  
AUGUST 31, 1934-SEPTEMBER 1, 1937

RECEIPTS

Balance on hand as per report, August 31, 1934 $2,778.32
Appropriation from National Council

TOTAL $2,778.32

EXPENDITURES

Payments for account of voluntary and commissioned chaplains:  
Allowances and Expenses* $ 250.00
Expenses of administration:
Salaries $925.00
Office Expense 65.06
Expenses of Exhibit, General Convention, 1934 36.80
Traveling Expense 92.89
Tax on vouchers drawn* .34 1,120.09

Balance on hand, September 1, 1937 1,408.23

TOTAL $2,778.32

Respectfully submitted,
RICHARD W. HYNSON, Treasurer.

REGULAR ARMY CHAPLAINS

John Knox Bodel
Charles W. B. Hill
Albert K. Mathews
Luther D. Miller
Wallace H. Watts
J. Burt Webster

REGULAR NAVY CHAPLAINS

Lon P. Johnson  
Frank H. Lash  
Paul G. Linaweaver  
David L. Quinn  
Truman P. Riddle  
Reuben W. Shrum

William P. Williams

*These expenditures long since discontinued.
# Appendix II

## Chaplains in Officers’ Reserve Corps

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REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND PROGRAM

I.

INTRODUCTION

It is with a sense of profound gratitude and thanksgiving that the Joint Committee on Budget and Program is privileged to present to the Church this year a report reflecting the determination of the whole Church to go forward in its missionary work. After years of retrenchment, reductions in the salaries of missionaries, and heart-breaking curtailment of the work of the Church at home and abroad, we welcome with joy the evident and widespread feeling of men and women throughout the Church, as reflected in their bishops and clerical and lay deputies in this General Convention, that at last the time has come when the command to retreat can be countermanded, and the trumpet sounded for the beginning of an advance all along the lines. Such an advance must be slow at first, but we hope that it will gather momentum throughout the coming triennium, and may so hearten and inspire the workers in every field that new and glorious victories may be won for the cause of Christ and the spread of His Kingdom.

But first a word as to the constitution and activities of this Committee. Unlike most Committees of General Convention, the Joint Committee on Budget and Program is appointed before the opening of the Convention, in order that its members may assemble prior to the Convention and begin their work. Accordingly, the Presiding Bishop designated the five episco-
In pal members of the committee three years ago, and the President of the House of Deputies appointed the five clerical and ten lay members as soon as the several Dioceses and Missionary Districts had completed their elections. Thus it was possible for the Joint Committee to meet in Cincinnati on the Monday preceding the opening of the Convention, October 4, 1937, and to proceed to its task. When, therefore, the two Houses of General Convention officially referred to this Committee the Budget and Program prepared by National Council in accordance with canonical requirement, the ground had already been prepared by several days of intensive study and deliberation, as well as prayer for divine guidance.

The Committee organized with the election of the Bishop of Tennessee as Chairman, the Bishop of Erie as Vice-Chairman, Mr. Bradford B. Locke as Secretary, Dr. Raymond F. Barnes as Treasurer, and Mr. Clifford P. Morehouse as Chairman of the Committee on Dispatch of Business. Sub-committees were appointed to deal with the following subjects:

- Dispatch of Business
- Income and Quota
- General Administration, Finance and Outgo
- Departments
- Church Debts
- Foreign Missions
- Aided Dioceses and Domestic Missionary Districts
- Cooperating Agencies
- Calendar
- Forward Movement
- Editing
- Unfinished Business

Each of these Sub-committees has been diligent in its study of the respective subjects assigned.

We desire especially to record here the fine sense of fellowship and the renewed enthusiasm for the Church's work that has come to us all in the sessions of this Committee and its Sub-committees, lasting as they often did far into the night. We wish also to express our appreciation for the suggestions of the many who, in response to our invitation, presented their views to us on various aspects of the Church's work. Many very valuable suggestions have been received in this way, and not a few of these have been woven into the fabric of our Report.

II.

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

We feel that this Convention should heartily commend the members of the National Council for the faithful and wise manner in which they have discharged their duties during the triennium just concluded. The past three years have been most difficult. Income available for Missionary Work has been seriously curtailed, imperiling the maintenance of existing work and precluding the possibility of any advance in our Mission Fields. It is not difficult for the members of this Church to understand the strain that the National Council must have experienced in the face of such conditions. The wise performance of their duties in such difficult times has won for the members of our National Council the widespread appreciation of the Church.
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We feel that the National Council should also be commended for the realism with which they have faced the need of improved methods of administration. The Council's own Committee, appointed by that body to consider the reorganization of the Departments of the National Council, has worked in co-ordination with similar groups of General Convention. As the result, this session of General Convention has approved of legislation which should greatly assist the general work of the Church. With greater initiative and responsibility placed in the hands of the Presiding Bishop we may confidently look forward to the strengthening of the work both at National Headquarters and in the Field.

This Committee calls upon the members of our Communion everywhere to respond whole-heartedly to the leadership of the Presiding Bishop and the National Council that our Church may go forward in this day of opportunity.

III.

THE CALL TO THE CHURCH

The National Council submitted to this Convention a Budget amounting to $2,400,000. In accordance with the provisions of Canon 60, it also recommended that quotas be redesignated as "Shared Objectives," and be determined as follows:

Mathematically, based on current expenses of the six-year period;
Modified by communicant members and strength;
Modified by the giving during the last six years;
Modified by local problems.

The Committee approves this plan of apportionment. It is easy to arrive at the mathematical basis and to make the first two suggested modifications. The third modification is less easy to determine. The local problems of a Diocese are fully known only by the members of the Diocese itself. The Committee, therefore, extended an invitation to the Bishop and the Deputation of each Diocese and District to meet with it for consultation.

The invitation was whole-heartedly accepted. Deputations came in a spirit revealing a true sense of loyal responsibility. Fine courage and high determination were manifest at each conference. As a result of these consultations, the Committee presents to you in its budget as the total of Diocesan and District Objectives for 1938 the sum of $1,748,090. This increase of $479,458 over the Objectives assumed at the Atlantic City General Convention gives concrete evidence of a new and wide-spread hope as we enter upon the new era in the administration of our Missionary Cause.

IV.

A PLAN FOR PROMOTION

The objectives assumed represent a gratifying increase over the past triennium. As a Church we ought to be providing a much larger sum for the support of the Missionary Cause. The resources of our people are adequate, but many do not know the needs and opportunities of the Field. The Committee believes that new plans and methods of imparting information must be discovered. Novel and graphic literature must be provided. We commend the recent efforts of the Forward Movement
Commission and the Department of Publicity to this end. We do not venture to suggest in detail how the Presiding Bishop and the National Council shall organize the work which has hitherto been done by the Field Department and the Department of Publicity. Both are concerned with the work of promotion and are closely related. Reorganization of departments may be found advisable. In any event the work of promotion must be sufficiently staffed and adequately financed.

We offer the following resolution:

1. Resolved, The House of ............, concurring, that the Presiding Bishop and National Council be requested to take immediate steps to carry out, upon a large scale, a promotional plan during the year 1938, which will seek to bring fuller missionary information to every individual in every Parish of every Diocese and Missionary District throughout the Church.

V.

MISSIONARY MOTIVE, POLICY AND STRATEGY

The Committee strongly endorses the recommendation of the National Council concerning the appointment of a Joint Commission on Missionary Motive, Policy and Strategy, and we offer the following resolution:

2. Resolved, The House of ............, concurring, that a Joint Commission be appointed consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters, five Laymen and five Women, conspicuous in the Church for their knowledge of and devotion to the missionary cause, who shall make an objective study of the policies, strategies and activities by which the Church's Program is, and should be (1) administered from Headquarters, (2) carried on in the Field, and (3) promoted and supported; and it shall be their duty to submit a report of their findings to the General Convention of 1940;

And Be It Further Resolved, That one member of this Commission be chosen from the National Council, to preserve a proper liaison.

An appropriation of $1,000 for each year of the triennium to finance the work of this Commission has been provided in the Budget.

VI.

THE PARTNERSHIP PRINCIPLE

The whole Church is strengthened only as each of its smaller units prospers. None of them can truly advance at the expense of the others. A Diocese is rehabilitated only as its Parishes effectively meet local problems. The General Church can make no substantial gain unless each Diocese and District shares in the advance. Increases in Church income must be used so as to advance the whole line, not on one front only but on all three—Parish, Diocese and General Church. This is one aspect of the Partnership Principle.

But other aspects deserve our emphasis. In the exercise of his stewardship, the duplex envelope gives to the individual the surest opportunity for his recognition of the Partnership Principle. When that stewardship has been expressed and gifts for Missions have been received, the Treasurer of a Parish cannot honorably, even for a limited time, borrow such gifts for the operating expenses of the Parish.
We believe also that it is inconsistent for the administrative expenses of a Diocese to be paid from sums received through the red side of the envelope. The inscription on the duplex envelope should state that the sums given are for the Diocesan and General Missions of the Church, and such gifts should be used for Missions only.

VII. UNDESIGNATED LEGACIES

The judgment of this Committee, and we believe of the whole Church, is that the corpus of undesignated legacies should not be used for current budgetary expenses, but rather invested in a permanent fund, the income of which may be used for the furtherance of the Church's Program. We therefore recommend that the National Council devise a plan and report it to the General Convention of 1940, by which undesignated legacies may be segregated from current budgetary expense and invested in a permanent fund, and also by which such undesignated legacies as have been used for current budgetary expense during the past six years may be restored.

We recognize, however, that occasionally there are special projects in the advancement of Christ's Kingdom which may properly be financed temporarily from such legacies.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

3. Resolved, The House of ............... concurring, that the National Council be, and it is hereby authorized, to divide undesignated legacies received in the period between January 1, 1938, and December 31, 1940, in equal parts between the repayment of present deficit and the Forward Movement Commission, provided that the latter shall not receive more than $40,000 per year and that they be used exclusively for these purposes.

VIII. THE BUDGET

The repeal of Paragraph V., Canon 60, which requires organization of the work of the Presiding Bishop and National Council, in specified departments, we believe, should be understood as giving the Presiding Bishop and National Council authority to determine the form of organization, and a free hand in selecting the personnel, and that the present personnel should so understand it. Furthermore, it should be understood as giving the Presiding Bishop and National Council authority to allocate the funds at their disposal for the Program in the way that will in their judgment best serve the work. We express the hope, nevertheless, that the response of the Church will permit a restoration of salaries in the Field as a first charge upon the conscience of our people.

In order to put into effect the implications of the Canon and to give the Church a clearer picture of its financial operations, we submit a new classification and form of the Budget. We recommend that this classification be required in reports of the National Council for the next triennium, and that the independent auditors include in their reports a schedule comparing the expenditures with the budgetary items.

In connection with this, there was referred to us by the House of Deputies a resolution directing that the administrative expense of the National Council be made a part of the Convention Budget to be assessed upon the Dioceses. Your Committee feels that there would be definite
value in being able to assure the Church that every cent contributed through the red side of the envelope will go to the Field, but that the time is too short for us to determine at this Convention the constitutionality and advisability of such a measure. We call attention, however, to the fact that the income from invested funds is adequate to provide for all administrative or overhead expenses, so that, although it may not be feasible to segregate this income for this purpose, in effect all contributions through the red side of the envelope do go to the support of the work in the Field.

To give the Presiding Bishop and National Council the widest possible liberty in organizing the work and allocating funds, we have not specified salaries for Administrative and Promotional Vice-Presidents, but have included a sum in Classification V. for the former and a sum in Classification II. for the latter.

Since our trust funds, our income, and our outgo, represent a very large sum of money, we believe their management requires the full time of our efficient Treasurer. We therefore recommend that the Treasurer be relieved of the duties of Vice-President which he discharges at present, and that he be paid a salary from Classification V. consistent with his heavy responsibility as Treasurer and Trust Officer.

The Report of the National Council asks approval of a plan to raise $200,000 for special projects by a special appeal. In view of the endorsement by this Convention of an appeal for $300,000 for relief in China, we recommend that the appeal for special projects be postponed indefinitely.

We submit the following Budget:

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A Challenge to the Dioceses and Missionary Districts to exceed their Objectives and thus increase the salaries in the Missionary Fields | 71,910 |

**DISBURSEMENTS**

1. Missionary Work:
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<td>(Including salaries of executives but not office expense)</td>
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<td>(a) Foreign and Extra Continental</td>
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II. Education and Promotion:  
(Including salaries and travel allowances of executives for activities now included in religious education, Christian social service, field work, publicity, but not office expense)  
Total ........................................ $ 95,065 3.9%

III. Miscellaneous Activities:  
(a) Forward Movement ............. $ 10,000  
(b) Conference and Training Centers ................. 23,902  
(c) Commission on Ecclesiastical Relation ............. 4,400  
(d) American Churches in Europe ................. 1,000  
(e) Commission on Strategy and Policy ................. 1,000  
Total ........................................ 40,302 1.7%

IV. Co-operating Agencies:  
(a) Woman's Auxiliary* ....................... $ 44,864  
(b) Girls' Friendly Society .................. 3,000  
(c) Church Mission of Help ................... 4,500  
(d) Church Periodical Club ................... 3,500  
(e) World Conference on Faith and Order .......... 1,500  
Total ........................................ 57,364 2.3%

V. Administrative Expense:  
(a) Expenses of Presiding Bishop $ 2,400  
(b) Salaries, wages, office expense, maintenance, interest, supplies in all departments, interdepartmental expenses, Church Missions House expense, etc. ........ 265,510  
Total ........................................ 267,910 10.9%

GRAND TOTAL...................................... $2,450,000 100.0%

*(This is an error: Woman's Auxiliary should be in separate classification.—Secretary.)

We recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

4. Resolved, The House of .............., concurring, that the Budget submitted by the Joint Committee on Budget and Program be adopted subject to revision by the National Council in view of expectancies, provided that any decrease be confined to Classifications I. and V. in order that the promotional activities of the Church may be effectively maintained and developed under all circumstances.

5. Resolved, The House of .............., concurring, that if, in the discretion of the National Council, increases seem justifiable under conditions then obtaining, the Budget for 1939 shall be increased to an amount
not to exceed $2,500,000; and for 1940 to an amount not to exceed $2,550,000.

6. Resolved, The House of .............., concurring, that the National Council be instructed to prepare before February 15th in each year of the triennium a Budget in a sum not to exceed the total of expectations plus other anticipated income, including a margin of safety.

7. Resolved, The House of .............., concurring, that in case it becomes evident that actual receipts will fall short of the Budget total, the National Council shall under no circumstances incur debt to meet the shortage but shall make such reduction in appropriation as may be necessary to bring them within expected receipts, including a reasonable factor of safety.

8. Resolved, The House of .............., concurring, that by mutual agreement between the National Council and each of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts, Objectives for each year shall be assigned by the National Council not later than May 1st of the preceding year.

IX.

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT

The Committee takes special pride in the accomplishments of the Forward Movement, for it was our report to the General Convention of 1934 which inaugurated that great spiritual venture for Christ. In our report then we expressed the conviction that "the discouragement of these last three years must be transfigured into a confident attitude toward the future." To that end we proposed a resolution, unanimously carried in both Houses of General Convention, providing for a Joint Commission on a Forward Movement, and we made provision that one-half of the undesignated legacies for the coming triennium should be made available for its expenses.

The inauguration of the Forward Movement was an act of faith. We had no idea what form that Movement would take, who would lead it, or what it would accomplish. We rejoice that our faith has been rewarded far beyond our dreams. Under the inspired and inspiring leadership of the Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Forward Movement has become a glorious reality, enlisting the support and enthusiasm of the whole Church. We firmly believe that it is due in large measure to the Forward Movement that the spirit of this General Convention and of the entire Church today is such that a genuine advance in Parishes, Dioceses and the General Church has become possible. We thank God for the Forward Movement, and for the many members of the Church, known and unknown, whose devotion and sacrificial labors have made it a reality.

To this Joint Committee on Budget and Program have been referred recommendations from both the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies that the Forward Movement Commission be continued. We strongly recommend that this be done, and we wish to make adequate provision for the financing of its invaluable work. In endeavoring to make such provision three years ago, we recommended that one-half of all undesignated legacies be placed at the disposal of the Forward Movement Commission, and this was done by General Convention. We believed, on the basis of past records, that this would provide ample funds for the purpose. However, the decrease in undesignated legacies made this sum inadequate, despite the fact that the Forward Movement Com-
mission has proceeded on a careful and economical basis, and has paid the cost of its tremendous volume of literature largely through the receipts from its sales. We wish to commend the Forward Movement Commission on this achievement, and we also commend the National Council for its cooperation in helping to provide working capital for the Forward Movement by extending certain credits or advances for the operating expenses of the Commission.

For the coming triennium, we propose that the Forward Movement be financed in three ways, as follows: (1) by continuing this credit or advance, within the discretion of the Presiding Bishop and National Council, (2) by the provision of the sum of $10,000 annually in the regular Budget incorporated in this Report, and (3) by the continued allocation of one-half of the undesignated legacies to the work of the Commission.

The Committee offers the following resolutions:

9. Resolved, The House of ............, concurring, that a Joint Commission on the Forward Movement, consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and ten Laymen, be appointed to continue in collaboration with the Presiding Bishop and the National Council an organized effort to reinvigorate the life of the Church and to rehabilitate its General, Diocesan, and Parochial work.

10. Resolved, The House of ............, concurring, that the policy which the National Council has followed, in extending certain credits or advances to the Forward Movement Commission for operating expenses, is hereby approved, and the Presiding Bishop and National Council are authorized, at their discretion, to extend similar credits to the Forward Movement Commission during the coming triennium.

X.

CONCLUSION

We offer our thanks to Almighty God for the brave and self-forgetful labors of Missionaries, men and women, in the far corners of the earth and in the hard fields of our own land; and we welcome the opportunity of sharing with them the task of building His world-wide Kingdom. In this spirit of fellowship we hear the Master's call to go forward. We believe that the Church is ready for the stern struggle through which our world must be saved.

We summon every member of this Church to share gladly in the sacrifices which are before us.

We praise God who has called us to His hour and rejoice in the faith that in Our Lord's strength we can go forth conquering and to conquer.

JAMES M. MAXON, Chairman
JOHN C. WARD
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C. P. OVERFIELD
EDGAR E. FOMEROY

For action on above see page 148.
APPENDIX IV.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHURCH ARCHITECTURE AND THE ALLIED ARTS

The Commission on Church Architecture and the Allied Arts has been in action since 1919. To date it appears from the records of the Secretary that, in more than a thousand instances, the Commission has been called upon and has given advice, information and assistance in the erection of Churches, their alteration and enrichment. The requests which have come have been interestingly varied in character. A great many have been concerning sites, many more concerning the type of architecture appropriate to the region, the estimated cost of building Churches, parish houses, rectories, etc. Also, there have been many seeking advice and information about windows and various church furnishings.

The Convention, originally, was careful to make it plain that the purpose of the Commission was not to take the place of architects but, rather, to widen among architects, interest in Churches and the architecture and arts of the Church.

At the present time there is a very considerable increase in Church building, alteration and enrichment. This is shown by the fact that, during the past year and a half, there has been a great increase in requests for advice. Apparently, in the next few years, there will be greater need for the Commission.

In Article 4 of the original resolution under which the Commission was formed, the Commission was instructed "to take up the matter with the officials of the theological schools of this Church, with the view to the inauguration of a short course on church architecture, to be given annually in each school by some competent expert." With some of the schools, this matter has been taken up with encouraging results, and it is hoped that the schools not now giving attention to this subject may be moved to do so.

Already a valuable book has been issued by a representative of one of the Denominations. This book, however, needs to be supplemented by one more especially adapted to the Episcopal Church. The Secretary has in hand a hand-book, authorized by the Convention. It is expected that, in view of the increase in Church building, such a book will be greatly needed. Recently, a small pamphlet on very small Churches has been published by the Secretary.

The Church building, and the Church furnishings, and the arts concerned with these, are of importance, and it must be agreed on all sides that there is need of higher standards here. The architecture and the arts of the Church exert great influence on the worship of the Church. Surely it is necessary, therefore, to have the clergy and laity well educated in these.

Furthermore, very large sums of money, even in the depressed years, have been spent for Churches, and for alterations and furnishings. Some of it, alas, is worse than wasted, because too many of these have been ugly and, therefore, tended to degrade the taste of the people.

In a number of parishes, Parochial Commissions are in existence, and it has been found that the people take great interest in courses of instruction on "Architecture and the Allied Arts of the Church." Often, per-
plexed 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 defence of such parochial committees.

Following the example of our Church, similar Commissions have been organized in twenty-seven different Denominations in the country. A Central Committee, made up of representatives of these twenty-seven Denominational Commissions has been organized. For two years, under the auspices of this Central Committee, a Conference, called the North American Conference on Church Architecture, has been held at the Cathedral of Saint John the Divine, and these well attended conferences have really exerted a nation-wide influence for the betterment of Church architecture and the allied arts.

It is important that our Commission should be continued, not only for the work it can do in our own Church but for its influence and leadership in the other Churches.

The following resolution is, therefore, presented:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, That the Commission be continued.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

Milo H. Gates, Secretary.

APPENDIX V.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON VISITATION AND CONSULTATION OF THE CHURCH COLLEGES TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION, OCTOBER 6, 1937

Six years ago a report of a survey of the five Church Colleges (Hobart, Kenyon, Sewanee, St. Stephen's, Trinity) which had been made by a committee selected by the National Council and the colleges concerned, was presented to the General Convention. That report pointed out that these colleges did not have that definite connection with the Church as a whole that is found in other branches of the Christian Church; that such a lack has constituted a grave handicap upon their progress; that their record of usefulness to the Church warranted the Committee's suggestion that there ought to be a more vital, continuing, and organic relationship with the Church in its corporate capacity.

The General Convention adopted a resolution approving the recommendation for the establishment of a Committee of General Convention which should be designated the "Committee on Consultation and Visitation of the Church Colleges." It is that Committee which submits the following report. Lacking an appropriation to cover the cost of travel for visitation of the colleges concerned, your Committee has this year been obliged to limit its observations largely to factual matters secured by correspondence and through published reports, but it has deemed it appropriate and in accordance with the purpose of its appointment to present to the Convention the following statistical report on the colleges covering the triennial period just ended.
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#### Attendance 1934-1937

(Omitting Summer School and Extension Classes)

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* Including 20, 15, and 13 theological students at Bexley.
† Including 28, 26, and 26 theological students.

Comparing these figures with those presented in the report of the previous triennium it appears that in general there has been no great increase in the number of students in these colleges. The average for the three years in each triennium shows only a very slight increase at Hobart and Sewanee, and an increase of about 3% yearly at Trinity. Kenyon alone has had a significant increase in numbers, 40%, during this triennium as compared with the previous three years. This larger gain more than recovers the reduction in numbers during the depression from which Kenyon suffered more severely than the others in the group.

Except as information to friends and alumni these statistics of enrolment are of interest chiefly in that they impress again upon us the extraordinary influence five small colleges having a total student registration even today of less than 1,500, out of the more than one million students in all American colleges, have had upon the life and work of the Church through those whom they have trained, of which more will be said elsewhere in this report. If it be true, as has been asserted upon good authority, that in the General Conventions of the Church these five colleges, which are attended by only one out of every seven hundred of the college students in America, have been responsible for the training of one out of every four of the delegates to this great body—if this be true, as indeed it is, the Church cannot afford to be indifferent to conditions in so important a source of its strength—to the handicaps and difficulties, to the problems and plans, to the successes and failures which these colleges are meeting in their struggle for increased efficiency in the task of educating those who come to them for training, so many of whom are to take positions of importance and influence in the great work of the Church.

The religious affiliation of faculty and students shows a variation from year to year among the colleges. The proportion of those affiliated with the Episcopal Church in faculty and student body varies from 40% at Trinity and Hobart to about 60% at Sewanee and Kenyon where the presence of postulants and theological students raises the proportion.

#### Changes in Administrative and Teaching Positions

Within the past year or two a significant number of changes have taken place in administrative positions and among the older members of the teaching staffs, either through death, retirement, or resignations.

At Kenyon President Peirce, after a notable administration of 41 years, has retired and has been succeeded by Dr. Gordon Keith Chalmers, who assumed the duties of office on July 1, 1937. He is to be formally inaugurated at Gambier on October 23.
At Hobart President Bartlett retired after seventeen years of devoted service there and was succeeded by Dr. William Alfred Eddy, who took office at the beginning of the 1936-37 session.

At Sewanee, Vice-Chancellor Finney desired to be retired at the close of last session but has consented to continue in order to give the Trustees a longer time in which to find an acceptable successor to the important office he is leaving.

Kenyon reports the retirement of Professor Henry T. West, and Dr. William Peter Reeves; and the death of Professor R. C. Lord, Professor R. S. Radford, and Professor L. B. Walton.

Trinity reports the death of Professor Frank C. Babbitt and Professor Stanley L. Galpin.

At Hobart, besides President Bartlett, Dean Klymer has resigned and Professor Woodman has been lost to the college by death.

Gifts and Income

Trinity and Kenyon have had the good fortune during the triennium to be the recipients of significant gifts: Kenyon in the form of endowment for lectureships, a swimming pool, an alumni guest house, and a hangar, amounting in value to nearly $150,000; Trinity in the erection and equipping of a magnificent chemistry building at a cost of over half a million dollars.

All of the colleges reporting show an encouraging improvement during the triennium in income from all sources, largely made up, however, from increased total student fees from the increase in numbers.

Changes in Instructional Organization and Curriculum

Changes in instructional organization and curriculum planned in the main with a view to securing greater efficiency in teaching and a better knowledge of the needs and capacities of the individual student have been too many and too varied in character to warrant detailed comment in this report. All are marked by a progressive attitude toward the educational problem and are adapted to the special conditions which in the judgment to the faculty need to be met by the college concerned.

Among these changes or additions the following seem noteworthy: Increase in honors work for exceptional students; strengthening the provision for faculty advisors for all students; increased use of standard tests for placement and to provide fuller information about the student than is found in available school records; emphasis upon preparation for citizenship.

The above review of conditions in these four colleges during the past three years is brief and fragmentary, touching only a few of the things that deserve comment but the limits to which this report must be confined forbid further elaboration of factual information, especially since your Committee desires also to present to the convention the views of one of the new presidents, who, in answer to a request for a formulation of his estimate of the function of the Church College and its relation to the Church, submitted the statement which follows. It is so fully in accord with the views of the members of this Committee and those of the other
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Church college executives and the experiences and conditions obtaining in all the colleges, and is, moreover, in itself so challenging as to make it especially appropriate for inclusion in this report.

In reply to the inquiry of the Committee the statement of President Eddy was in part as follows:

"I am not concerned with financial support from the Church but only with a declaration of mutual faith and cooperation between the Church and the Church College. I wish it were possible (for the Committee) to present the case of the Church Colleges in the form of a question which would call for a definite declaration of what the Church expects of them.

* * * Assuming that the Church College is wanted by the Church, what is the principal service that it is expected to perform? Is it to be merely a preparatory school for the theological seminary, or is it to be a center of intellectual and Church influence in the nation * * * where the heritage of Christian thought and of the Church's contribution to the arts and sciences of life will be upheld and respected?"

Continuing discussion of these questions in a paper entitled "Hobart College and the Church" which might well have borne the title "The Church College and the Church," so closely do the experiences, conditions, and aims described tally with those of the other colleges, President Eddy makes a statement and argument from which I shall read here only a part, since the whole will be printed in the journal:

"It is not for me, a newcomer, to rehearse the history of the honorable and productive partnership of the Episcopal Church and this college—the oldest of the Church Colleges. When her doors were opened she did not have even four thousand dollars a year in sight, and for decades in the horse and buggy age the faculty owned neither horses nor buggies. Financially we are today among the very poorest of liberal arts colleges, but even so we do not know the material hardships and anxieties faced by the founders, who must have had bread to eat that we know not of. The faculty wore threadbare suits, the students studied in cold rooms and washed in ice-water, and books were few in 1837 compared with 1937. Yet the college waxed in stature and wisdom because she was nourished with spiritual energy. With the same faith today we could become a really great Church College."

Where most of the colleges, founded in the early days of our national history under the auspices of our Church, have been abandoned, or have severed the connection, this college's Church tradition has remained strong. Over 25% of our graduates during the first 100 years entered the Christian ministry, eighteen of whom became Bishops of the Episcopal Church. The Diocesan Bishop has always been a Trustee; the services of the Church are maintained seven days a week; scholarships are annually awarded to candidates for the ministry; our graduates have won distinction at the Church seminaries; the Campus Chaplain is a Priest of the Episcopal Church.

Something is wrong in the history of Episcopal Church Colleges as a group. To begin with, they have not been the beneficiaries of financial support by Churchmen as have the Quaker, Presbyterian and Congregational Colleges. Most important still, they have not been patronized by the sons and daughters of Churchmen as much as one might expect; and this concerns us greatly because while we do not ask for charity, we must earn the right to attract students from our Church families. For this lack of confidence there must be some cause, and to make this college
more serviceable to the Church will be one of the writer's principal studies and endeavors.

While the Church College has an honorable and a distinguished record of service to the Episcopal Church for more than a century, I am convinced that the relationship is today weaker and less productive of mutual advantages than it has been at certain times in the past. The pertinent questions which arise are two in number: (1) What, if anything, does the Church expect from a Church College? (2) What can and should the college offer to meet this expectation? Five specific items may be suggested:

We may dispose rapidly of miscellaneous services which the college should and does render, services which are valuable but not distinctive enough to justify the strenuous task of maintaining Church Colleges in a nation amply provided with excellent secular universities and colleges which have facilities enough to take care of all who seek a college education.

(1) Dignity, reverence and inspiration in Chapel services. The college maintains required daily Chapel five days a week, a voluntary evening service on Sundays and voluntary early celebration of Holy Communion three days a week and on Saints' days. We do not, however, have any illusions about required devotional exercises to which undergraduates react in various ways. The College Chapel alone will not justify the existence of a Church College.

(2) Campus Religion. The influences of a strong spiritual life and living led by a Chaplain, devoted teachers, and students, result in constructive influences on undergraduate life and in a campus climate sympathetic to the Church. Campus religion is not measured solely by organized activities of student Christian Associations but by the more subtle tone and temper of devotional and personal life. Since this achievement varies with the quality of the leading personalities on the campus, modesty would prevent any college from making extravagant claims. Suffice it to say that this challenge is accepted here. Unfortunately spiritual influences on a college campus which uphold the tradition of the Church do not seem to be at a premium with most of the Church families. Perhaps with good reason they consider such a spiritual climate to be the distinction of the Christian home or preparatory school and prefer to choose a college for other reasons. Campus religion will not alone justify the existence of a Church College.

(3) Church Contacts. The college is fortunate in the cooperation of local Clergy, the Bishops of the Diocese, distinguished visiting Clergy and in the support of distinguished Churchmen on our Board of Trustees as well as throughout the country. It is our special privilege to be invited to share in Church conferences and in the Church's program, a privilege which constantly renews our educational life. The campus has been used and will be offered freely for the convenience of conferences of Church workers or retreats. These advantages grow directly out of the official relationship to the Episcopal Church, but neither will they suffice to justify the existence of a Church College.

(4) Preparing Candidates for the Ministry. This service is important enough to justify the Church College even if it did nothing else. The Church College is justly proud of her unbroken record of preparing men for Orders, of her alumni in the ministry today and of the strong band of undergraduate postulants; but there are not enough candidates for the
ministry to supply a student body, nor would it be healthy to have them constitute more than a small minority in any college of arts and sciences. They must arrive at their vocation in full view of the various enterprises of life and thought; while the college for its part must prepare for many types of service in the world. To continue preparing candidates for the ministry will always be one of the primary purposes, but it apart from the others will not suffice to justify the existence of a Church College.

(5) Education for Lay-Leadership in the Secular Professions. Here perhaps we may find the most important function of the Church College. Like secular educational theory, religion in America has tended to break down into programs of self-culture and of social utility. On the one hand are those who regard religion as a purely private affair of purifying and strengthening the individual life. For all such persons the corporate life of the Church is quite secondary. On the other hand are those who regard practical works as the sole justification of faith and who are concerned almost exclusively with humanitarian agencies, Y. M. C. A.'s, social settlements, medical missions and community service. At their extremes the two theories lead to asceticism or to mere social service. This divorce between personal and social religion is doing Christianity no good. There is danger of cultivating conscience whose hands are withered, or of operating philanthropic machinery minus the philanthropy. Where religion persists at all in our American colleges, it is relegated to the Chapel, to the Chaplain and to an unattached course in Bible. With notable exceptions, the rank and file of American scholars are unfamiliar with the Christian heritage in contemporary civilization, and the noble contributions of the Church to civilization have been forgotten.

The Church Colleges' effort, on the other side, should be not to recruit members for the Episcopal or any other Church, but to re-establish in our halls the sacramental view of education lost by the divorce between the ecclesiastical and the secular provinces of life; by taking as a working hypothesis the historical doctrine of the Anglican Communion: that citizenship in the spiritual (as in the political) commonwealth is not a matter of purely private integrity. Neither a nation nor a Church is built of autonomous islands of piety or philanthropy. The college should not be content to induce isolated individuals to enter the ascetic or the contemplative life. That republic is lost which leaves all responsibility for politics to professional politicians, and that Church is crippled which delegates all the work in the Kingdom of God to its clergy. The Church must recapture the professions, the workingman's guilds, the arts and sciences (which were once her handmaidens) if the Will of God is to be done on earth as it is in Heaven. The philosophy which will make this possible is not new; it is simply the conviction that the life we now live in the flesh is a sacramental life whose material acts and purposes are outward and visible means of serving God. Laymen must be taught to see that the humblest routine of social and economic life can be performed \textit{sub specie aeternitatis}.

Of course the holding of this view of life must be elective and not required. It is not the only view of life, and we do right to teach the views of the secularist, the materialist, the rationalist and the agnostic. My plea is only that the Christian Church's province of our heritage be restored to its natural place in our education. Are we not, indeed, morally obliged to teach what we believe as well as what we do not believe? There will be selection in any case. In this college we omit baseball and include lacrosse. We omit Arabic, but we teach French. If without apology we teach Spanish and German culture, or study the ways of the American
Indian and of the New Engander, may we not include the province of our spiritual heritage which from a purely historical point of view is more significant? I am only mildly interested at this moment in special courses in Bible or Religion. I am more concerned with the restoration to their places in our secular curriculum of the poets, philosophers, saints and artists who have interpreted experience in Christian terms. I know that this experience does not incapacitate an educator, because among my own teachers Paul Elmer More, Archibald Bowman and Robert Kilbourn Root were living proofs to the contrary.

Nothing would be worse for a liberal college than to discriminate in its faculty or student body in favor of an ecclesiastical group. I would hope only that as we teach religion we should aim at the same devotion we demand in other fields. A great teacher of German will think in German, talk and write in German whenever possible. A teacher who is also a Churchman, should be encouraged to remember that his vocation is to assist at the altar with his learning, his sympathy and his influence. On the campus the Church tradition should have a fair hearing. Modern commercial and professional enterprise could be represented as a province to be conquered. We might even get here a new Third Order of Saint Francis, of laymen who go into politics, journalism and the professions as others go into the ministry—with a sense of awful responsibility as citizens in the Kingdom of God.

NILES CARPENTER,
W. R. H. HODGKIN,
JARED S. MOORE,
KENNETH M. SILLS,
WALTER HULLIBEN, Chairman.

APPENDIX VI.

SIXTH REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON CHURCH MUSIC

Appointed by the General Convention of 1919

1937

"Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that the fifth Report of the Joint Commission on Church Music be accepted; ..... and that the Commission be continued, with power to fill vacancies and to add to its numbers." (Journal of General Convention, 1934.)

THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE COMMISSION

THE MOST REVEREND JAMES DEVOLP PERRY, D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island.
THE RIGHT REVEREND WILSON REIFF STEARLEY, D.D., of Newark (Chairman).
THE RIGHT REVEREND ERNEST M. STILES, D.D., Bishop of Long Island.
To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America:

The Joint Commission on Church Music respectfully submits its sixth Report.

The Commission records with deep regret the death of Walter Henry Hall of New York, who ever since the appointment of the Commission had rendered devoted and invaluable service in its work.

The resignation of the Reverend Edward S. Travers, D.D., of New York, was accepted, and the Reverend John W. Norris of Pennsylvania was appointed to membership by the President of the House of Deputies.

The following resolutions, presented to the General Convention in 1934, were referred to the Commission for consideration or action:

1. That the Commission present to each General Convention “a list of such hymns, anthems, cantatas, or other sacred music as shall be deemed by them fitting for use in the services of the Church.”

The Commission presents herewith the classified lists of hymns and anthems already published. In view of the possible modification of Canon 47, the Commission respectfully suggests that the presentation of lists of cantatas and other sacred music, and of hymns and anthems additional to those herewith presented, be deferred for the present.

2. “That the Joint Commission on Church Music be requested to report to the next General Convention such a proposal for change in the Rubric upon hymns and anthems as may be appropriate to accomplish the purpose of Rev. Mr. Atwater, together with a proposed list of anthems, etc., which might be acted upon by the General Convention in case the canon should ultimately be amended.” (The purpose of Rev. Mr. Atwater’s resolution was to amend Canon 47 in such wise as to permit the authorization by General Convention of hymns and anthems which are not now admissible under the Rubric.)

In accordance with this request the Commission will present to General Convention a resolution providing for the amendment of the Rubric as suggested.

The submission of the suggested list of anthems, etc., presents some difficulties. In compliance with the request of General Convention such a list is presented herewith; but it must be admitted that it is far from inclusive of many works which are not now admissible under the Rubric, but which by the character of their texts and music would be worthy of approval by General Convention and of inclusion in our church services.
Broadly speaking, such works would probably be drawn from the following sources: (a) the church cantatas and motets of J. S. Bach and some of his contemporaries; (b) cantatas and oratorios of greater or less length, suitable chiefly for performance upon special occasions, and especially appropriate to the various church seasons, particularly Lent and Passiontide. (It is only necessary to cite Stainer's Crucifixion as an example of a well-known work, widely sung in our Church, and yet not strictly admissible under the present rubric); (c) compositions of the Russian Church, often of deep spiritual significance; (d) hymns (for choir use) and motets from the rich treasury of the Latin Church in the 16th and 17th centuries; (e) settings of texts from English religious poets and divines; together with (f) the additions constantly being made by composers of distinction.

Should the resolution to be offered be adopted, and the way thus opened to enable General Convention to authorize the inclusion in our church services of music whose texts are not admissible under the present rubric, the Joint Commission, if so directed, will undertake to present to the next General Convention a more comprehensive list of works recommended, for such action as General Convention may take.

With the completion of a classified list of service music, which is now in the press and which should soon be available to clergy and choirmasters, all the work of compilation originally undertaken by the Commission and authorized by General Convention has been completed or published, excepting one or two items found to be impracticable. Included are the following: the first Report of the Commission in 1922, reprinted in 1930, which it is to be regretted appears still to be unknown to a large number of clergy and choirmasters; the Choral Service, with its Altar Book and special edition of the music for congregational use; the Psalter and Canticles, pointed for use with both Anglican and Gregorian chant; classified lists of hymns, of anthems, of service music, of organ music for service use, and of works on church music; and the music of the Burial Offices. Only the latter, with the list of organ music, remain unpublished, through lack of the financial resources necessary to secure such publication; both are ready for the press.

In its last report the Commission suggested several ways in which wider interest in church music might be stimulated. Whatever progress may have been made in this direction, it is undeniable that much remains to be done. Briefly summarized, these media included the extension of instruction in the seminaries; the enlargement of opportunity for choirmasters and organists to become efficient church musicians, through study and practice and by means of conferences and illustrative services; and last, but by no means least, by extending the opportunities for congregational singing, for which the publications of the Commission, under authority of General Convention afford ample material.

But it is obvious that the provision of all this material will be of little avail in raising the standards of our church music, and in securing a heartier and more general participation by the congregation in the Church's services, unless it is made use of by those who are charged with the conduct of the music in those services. As the Commission has emphasized in previous reports, education is the key-note of progress in our church music: education of the clergy, to be fostered at least in part by more adequate provision for instruction in church music in the seminaries; and education of the choirmasters and organists, by the insistence of their rectors that they take more serious advantage of the opportunities offered
to them. In passing it may be observed that these opportunities are by no means confined to mere technical instruction, for many phonograph records of all types of church music are available, affording practical and reliable examples furnished by some of the best choirs and musical authorities in this country and abroad.

As a means of stimulating interest in church music, and of affording opportunity for discussion and instruction in this field, the Commission would especially recommend the organization of diocesan groups similar in aim and activity to the one already well established in the diocese of Pennsylvania which, with the hearty approval of this Commission, has provided for a very practical exhibit of music and books in connection with the Church Training Institute at this General Convention, together with lectures on various and important phases of church music.

With the exception of such additions to the several lists already issued by the Commission as should be made from time to time in order to keep the lists well up to date, and of the fulfillment of whatever directions may be given to the Commission by General Convention, the work of the Commission in the future will undoubtedly lie chiefly in an effort to promote the intelligent use of the means already at hand for instruction and for practical service, together with a continuation of assistance to those who, as in the past, may seek its advice in the solution of their problems. In conclusion, therefore, the Commission begs to offer the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Deputies concurring, that the sixth Report of the Joint Commission be accepted, and that the Commission be continued.

RESOLVED, the House of Deputies concurring, that the sixth Report of the Joint Commission be accepted, and that the Commission be continued.

WILSON REIFF STEARLY, Chairman.
HOWARD CHANDLER ROBINS, Vice-chairman.
WALLACE GOODRICH, Secretary.

September 14, 1937.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Rubric "Hymns and Anthems" on page XI of the Book of Common Prayer be amended as follows: In line three, after the word "Prayer", insert the following: "or otherwise authorized by the Canon", so that the whole rubric shall read: "Hymns set forth and allowed by the authority of this Church, and Anthems in the words of Holy Scripture or of the Book of Common Prayer, or otherwise authorized by the Canon, may be sung before and after any Office in this Book, and also before and after Sermons."

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that Canon 47 "Of the Music of the Church" be amended as follows: In line three, after the word "Rubric", insert the following: "or by the General Convention of this Church", so that the whole Canon shall read: "It shall be the duty of every Minister to appoint for use in his Congregation hymns or anthems from those authorized by the Rubric or by the General Convention of this Church, 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."

For action on the above see pages 188 and 312.

To the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America:

In compliance with the request of the General Convention of 1934, a list of anthems, etc., is herewith presented which might be approved for
use in the services of the Church, in the event that the Rubric on page XI of the Book of Common Prayer and Canon 47 shall be so amended as to permit of such approval being given.

As pointed out in the Report of the Commission to the General Convention of 1937, the list is by no means comprehensive, but is intended to serve as an illustration of types of musical works in each of the categories referred to in the Report.

With the exception of texts which are obviously paraphrases of Holy Scripture, the names of the authors of the texts have been given wherever possible.

Respectfully submitted,

WALLACE GOODRICH,  
Secretary, Joint Commission on Church Music.

October 1, 1937.

ANTHEMS AND MOTETS

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Lutheran

Bach, J. S.
Awake, thou wintry earth (Joh. Olearius)
Awake us, Lord, and hasten (Elis. Cruciger)
Beside Thy cradle here I stand (Gerhardt)
Break forth, O beauteous, heavenly Light (Christmas Oratorio)
Christ lay in the bonds of death (cantata)
Content, my Lord, I come to Thee (Gerhardt)
Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness (Gerhardt)
From depths of woe (cantata)
Good news from heaven (Martin Luther)
Jesu, Joy and Treasure (Franck)
Now all the woods are sleeping (Gerhardt)
Now I know that Thou art loving (Rist)

Eccard
When Mary to the Temple went

Homilius
Jesus, Thou the Lamb of God

Praetorius
Sing we all now with one accord

Schutz
I will praise the Lord
The Pharisee and the Publican

Continental

Adam, Adolphe
O holy night

Beethoven
The heavens are telling
Worship of God in Nature

Brahms
We love the place

Bruckner
O Lord most holy

Dutch folksong
We gather together

Gounod
Nazareth

Haydn
Lo, my Shepherd is divine

Herzogenberg
Comest Thou, Light of gladness

Mendelssohn
Hear my prayer
Choruses from Elijah

Mozart
There shall a star from Jacob
Glory, honour, praise, and power
Jesu, Word of God Incarnate

Reimann
Shepherd's Christmas Song

Schubert
Christ has arisen
Where Thou reignest

Schumann
God doth rule

Berlioz
The Flight of the Holy Family

Russian

Bortniansky
Cherubim Song
Divine Praise

Grechaninov
Gladsome Radiance

Kastalsky
O Gladsome Light
O Light Divine

Kopylov
God is a Spirit

Rachmaninov
Glorious for ever
Glory to the Trinity

Svedov
We praise Thee

Tchaikovsky
A Legend (Christmas carol)
Blessed Angel spirits
Christ in His garden
How blest are they
Polyphonic

Arcadelt: Hear Thou my prayer, O God
Allegri: We adore Thee, God eternal
Colonna: May the Holy Ghost
Goudimel: The sages, seeing the star
Hassler: An angel said unto the shepherds
Lasso: This glad day
Lotti: Joy fills the morning
Marenzio: Now to God with hands uplifted
Palestrina: Today is born the King of heaven
Tye: O King of Glory
Victoria: Drop down ye heavens from above

When the day of Pentecost

CAROLS

Holst: Four Christmas Carols
Old Breton: On Christmas Day
Old French: Bring a torch, Jeannette, Isabella
Gevaert, arr. Thou Child Divine
Oxford Choral Book Sleep of the Infant Jesus, and other carols
Selections
Praetorius: The bells within the steeples
Spanish: O Bethlehem

ORATORIOS AND CANTATAS

Bach, J. S. *Passion according to S. Matthew
*Passion according to S. John
Elgar: The Dream of Gerontius
Haydn: The Creation
Maunder: Olivet to Calvary
Parker, Horatio: Hora Novissima
Stainer: The Crucifixion
Thiman, Eric: The Last Supper

*These works include many chorales, whose texts are not in the Church Hymnal.

APPENDIX VII.

REPORT FROM THE TRUSTEES OF THE CHURCH PENSION FUND ON THE SUBJECT OF PENSIONS FOR ADOPTED CHILDREN

The following Resolution was adopted by the House of Deputies of the General Convention of 1934:

"Resolved, That the Trustees of the Pension Fund be requested to consider the possibility of providing by pension for adopted children of clergymen as for other children of clergymen and submit its findings to the next General Convention together with a suggested plan, if found practicable."
Although this question had many times been previously considered by the administration of The Church Pension Fund, the whole problem has again been reviewed during the period of the last triennium, in accordance with the above request.

The fundamental difficulty involved in this problem is of an actuarial nature. All of the calculations upon which the entire structure of the Fund rests, and upon which, therefore, the promises of future pensions depend, are based upon factors which must be forecast with accuracy over a long period of years. So long as these factors depend upon natural laws, such as mortality experience, longevity, rate of marriage, rate of birth and so forth, actuarial science is capable of forecasting with remarkable accuracy the experience, taken as a whole, to be expected for a group as large as that made up of the clergy of our Church and their wives and natural children.

There is no provision under the Rules of the Fund, as at present interpreted, which does not depend upon the result of some natural law. The number of clergymen who will, over a period of years, reach the age of sixty-eight, as well as the approximate ages to which they will thereafter live; the rate at which clergymen will become totally and permanently disabled and the ages at which this condition may occur; the number of surviving widows, their ages, and their approximate span of life thereafter; the number of surviving natural children and their probable ages are all subject to actuarial forecast. All of these factors, in a sufficiently large group, follow the laws of nature. Accurate forecasts cannot, of course, be made to cover the individual cases. That, however, is not necessary because the Fund relies upon averages covering the group as a whole. It must be obvious, therefore, that if there is now included an element which does not follow any natural law and which is not subject to any accurate forecast, the whole structure of the Fund will be weakened and rendered unsafe. A chain is no stronger than its weakest link. The other links may be forged with great skill and tested with the utmost care, but it will be useless if a weak, untested section is included. That, in the opinion of the Trustees of the Fund and their advisers, would be the result of including an automatic pension for adopted children.

It has been found that there are no reliable data available as to the adoption of children, covering large groups over a period of years in the past. If such data could be accurately compiled and studied, there is no reason to suppose that it would form a sound basis upon which any reliable forecast could be predicated for a similar period in the future. The laws of nature do not control the rate of adoption of children, except to a very minor extent. There are innumerable other considerations involved, none of which are subject to any actuarial forecast. One consideration, for instance, is of a financial nature and therefore affected by economic conditions. Children offered for adoption are often the offspring of parents who are financially unable to support them and they are adopted only by foster-parents who are considered financially responsible. Children can be adopted by foster-parents who are themselves beyond the age when they could have natural children or by foster-parents who, because of some physical defect, are unable to have children of their own. Some great catastrophe, in which many children are left homeless, usually results in a sharp increase in the rate of adoption. Children can be adopted by bachelors or by widows. There are many other contingencies which add to the complexity of the problem and which make accurate forecast impossible.
In order that the General Convention might have the benefit of independent opinions on the actuarial question involved, it was presented to the Presidents of the Actuarial Society of America and of the American Institute of Actuaries, and to all living ex-Presidents of these two distinguished societies, whose memberships include the most eminent Actuaries in the country. They all (fourteen in all) very kindly responded to the question, and at considerable length. They were unanimously of the opinion that, from an actuarial point of view, the inclusion of an automatic pension for adopted children would be surrounded with difficulties which might endanger the whole structure of the Fund. Some extracts from their letters read as follows:

"It seems to me that a dangerous as well as incalculable element would be introduced if you were to extend the benefits of the Fund to adopted children. As an actuary, I would unhesitatingly advise against any such extension."

"Under those circumstances, it would not be proper to extend to adopted children the benefits which are made available under the Fund to orphans. To do so would place added burdens on the Fund beyond those contemplated by the actuary, and the provision for these adopted children could not be made out of the existing reserve funds, but would be a drain on whatever surplus funds there may be."

"In any event, it is rather risky to include them, unless under obligation to do so. * * * I would therefore advise not including them. * * *"

"There can be no question that a normal calculation of pension benefits would not include provision for adopted children. As a practical matter it would hardly be feasible to introduce provision in the calculations for adopted children. * * * The conclusion is, therefore, that a calculation attempting to allow for the cost of benefits to adopted children would have no valid statistical basis."

"My opinion is that it would be impossible to extend the benefits for orphans to adopted children without increasing the contributions now adopted for the upkeep of the Fund."

"From the actuarial standpoint, it does not seem to me that a provision for orphans should include adopted children since presumably calculations of the cost of The Church Pension Fund would be based, so far as children are concerned, upon children of the body rather than these plus adopted children. Furthermore, an extensive practice of adopting children could throw the calculations of the cost of pensions (so far as the children are concerned) so far out as perhaps to endanger the Fund itself."

"In my opinion it is actuarially unsound to include adopted children in the plan."
The conclusions reached by the Trustees of the Fund, from the foregoing and from the careful study that has been made of this whole problem, can be summarized as follows:

(1) The original actuarial calculations and the continuing calculations which have since been made, upon which the whole structure of The Church Pension Fund rests, did not contemplate the granting of pensions to adopted children.

(2) The rate of adoption of children for any substantial group in the past cannot be determined by any available data and, moreover, such data, if available, might not bear any close relation to similar data for the future.

(3) The future experience of the Fund, if pensions should be granted automatically to adopted children, would not be subject to any reliable actuarial forecast.

(4) Inasmuch as all of the present benefits promised by the Fund, including the Age Allowance, the Allowance for Total and Permanent Disability, the Widow's Allowance, and the Allowance to Minor Orphans are dependent upon the accuracy of the actuarial calculations, the introduction of an incalculable element might endanger all of the benefits, for the sake of a relatively small group.

(5) Even if the additional cost of including automatic pensions for adopted children could be determined with a fair degree of accuracy, it would be unwise to burden the Church with this additional cost for the sake of a comparatively small group amongst the clergy.

(6) It is questionable whether the Church, which, in the last analysis, pays for all pensions through the medium of the Fund, should be considered automatically responsible for the future support of children who are adopted by the clergy.

(7) The possibility of abnormal cases of adoption, because of the age or marital status of the foster-parent and the number of children who might have the legal status of adopted children of one foster-parent, is a danger to which the Fund and its present benefits should not be subjected.

Upon the basis of the above conclusions and as a result of the careful study which has again been made in accordance with the request of the House of Deputies of the General Convention of 1934, the Trustees of The Church Pension Fund report that, in their best judgment and that of the most capable advisers whom they have been able to consult, the Fund cannot safely provide an automatic "pension for adopted children of clergymen as for other children of clergymen"; and they urge this House not to press this question further.

In rendering this judgment, the Trustees of the Fund wish to assure the Church that their sympathies in the matter are the opposite of their findings, but that they are reluctantly led to the above conclusions by their investigation of the facts and by the responsibilities laid upon them by the Church for the careful and sound administration of The Church Pension Fund, in order that its promises as to future pensions, as originally planned, may not fail of full performance.

FOR AND IN BEHALF OF THE TRUSTEES
OF THE CHURCH PENSION FUND.

September 28, 1937.
APPENDIX VIII.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION FOR THE PLACEMENT OF THE CLERGY

The study of the matter of the placement of the clergy, referred to this Commission by the fifty-first General Convention, has been approached from all of its various angles. We are convinced that there is no single panacea which will effect a certain and speedy solution of this problem. We have reached certain definite conclusions with reference both to present facts and to policies which we feel will gradually and surely prove effective and wholesome.

UNEMPLOYED CLERGYMEN

The problem of the unemployed clergy referred by the House of Bishops to a special committee resulted in an extensive survey of the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the Church. This survey shows the number of employable clergy at present unemployed to be small. The information contained in this survey has been placed before this Commission. Facts seem to bear out this contention. We recommend, however, the appointment of a sub-committee of this Commission to study this matter further.

CLERICAL APPOINTMENTS AND CHANGE

The Memorial of the Convention of the Diocese of Long Island concerning the establishment of a National Office on Clergy Placement has been referred to this Commission. We recognize the benefits which might accrue from such an office. The expense involved seems to make its establishment at this time impracticable. We feel, however, that there must be means of securing fuller information concerning the qualifications and records of the clergy. There are clergy who have gifts and abilities which should be employed in larger fields of service. They feel that there is no provision made by which they may with self-respect seek broader opportunities. We ask the Convention to urge the Provinces to establish files of information concerning the clergymen resident in them. Such file should consist of a complete record of the clergyman given by himself upon a standard form. It should include his age, his spiritual background, his educational record, his family, his special interests and his past service. To this should be added from time to time his achievements in his ministry. This file of information is to be available to the Bishops, Vestries, and Boards of Church Institutions within the Province and elsewhere.

DISSOLUTION OF PASTORAL RELATIONSHIP

Many inquiries have been received regarding the matter of the dissolution of Pastoral Relationship. A study of the canons relating to this matter reveals adequate machinery to deal with all situations involving unhappy relationships between minister and people. We do not recommend new legislation at this time because we believe the matter is covered by Canon 40.
CONTROL AT THE SOURCE

The eventual solution of this problem will be attained by a more strict control of admissions as Postulants and Candidates for Holy Orders. We endorse the recommendation to this end presented to the House of Bishops by their Committee on Placement. We urge upon Rectors greater care in the selection of young men for the ministry. Only those of outstanding promise would be counselled to proceed. We urge upon Vestries a recognition of their great responsibility in the matter of the required testimonials, and the necessity of personal acquaintance with the Postulant, Candidate, or Deacon they recommend for advancement. We urge upon the Boards of Examining Chaplains the recognition of the fact that they examine men for the whole Church, not for a single Diocese, in order that common standards of procedure as well as common standards of requirement will be promoted. We urge upon the Standing Committees and Councils of Advice greater care in the matter of their recommendations to the Bishops for advancement and ordination. We urge that the various Seminaries develop a plan of practical clinical training within the Seminary Course which in no way lowers the standard of intellectual qualification. We urge the Bishops to maintain every safeguard, realizing that in the last analysis the admission of men into the ministry is a responsibility resting squarely upon them.

With full appreciation of the magnificent services rendered by those of our clergy who have come to us from other religious bodies, we wish also to emphasize the importance of further developing a ministry native to our own Church. We recommend a further study of the matter of preparation and probation of all men seeking to enter the ministry of the Protestant Episcopal Church from all other religious bodies.

We would reaffirm the position of the Committee on Placement of the House of Bishops that the Church does not owe a man a living merely because he is ordained. We believe that he who is ordained owes a life to the Church. We impress upon men seeking the ministry that it is not a profession, but a vocation. They are not candidates for either a career or an easy life of guaranteed employment with eventual social security.

**Be It Resolved,** The House of Bishops/Deputies concurring, that the Presiding Bishop appoint a sub-committee of this Commission consisting of two Bishops, two Presbyters, and two laymen to study the question of clerical unemployment.

**Be It Resolved,** The House of Bishops/Deputies concurring, that the matter of the establishment of files of information upon the record and achievement of the clergy be referred to the Provinces.

**Be It Resolved,** The House of Bishops/Deputies concurring, that the matter of clinical training within the required theological course be referred to the Commission on Theological Education.

**Be It Resolved,** The House of Bishops/Deputies concurring, that the matter of preparation and probation of men seeking the ministry of this Church from all other Christian ministries be referred to the Commission on the Ministry.

**Be It Resolved,** The House of Bishops/Deputies concurring, that this Commission be continued for further study of this subject.

For action on the above see page 219.
APPENDIX IX.

JOINT COMMISSION OF THE WORK OF DEACONESSES

1937

RT. REV. PHILIP M. RHINELANDER, D.D., Chairman
REV. THOMAS A. SPARKS, Secretary
RT. REV. EDWARD L. PARSONS, D.D.
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DEACONESS GERTRUDE STEWART
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MRS. HABOLD BROWN
MRS. GOODRICH R. FENNER
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MISS JULIA U. SINKLER
DEAN ETHEL M. SPRINGER

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE WORK OF DEACONESSES


Since the ancient Order of Deaconesses has been restored in this Church, many godly women have served in this office, and the present number exceeds two hundred, working in a wide variety of fields both foreign and domestic. They assist the clergy in parishes and missions, in schools, hospitals and other institutions, and perform an extensive ministry of visitation, instruction, relief, and of care for the needy, and for many women and girls needing counsel and assistance in the problems of life. This ministry is generally unnoticed and unregarded save by those to whom these aids have been given. In many instances their work is nothing short of heroic and deserves the praise and prayers of the Church.

Their stipends are of the meagerest and the Church has made no provision for their support when the time comes for retirement from active work because of illness or age. The problem is a pressing one. The Church should not be willing to permit its aged or sick servants to suffer. There is an impression that the Church Pension Fund provides for Deaconesses. Such is not the case. The articles of incorporation of the Church Pension Fund forbid the inclusion of other classes of beneficiaries than those now provided for, and if the articles of incorporation were
to be changed so as to include Deaconesses, it would be necessary to raise a sum estimated to amount to a minimum of Five Hundred Thousand Dollars ($500,000) to take care of the proper actuarial reserves. There seems no present possibility of this. In view of the pressing need for relief the Deaconesses themselves have raised a Retiring Fund of $52,000 in an endeavor to alleviate the acute necessities of a few urgent cases. Since the Church provides no pensions for Deaconesses, they do ask that the Bishops and other Clergy commend the Retiring Fund to the Laity of the Church in order that an adequate capital sum may be provided, the interest of which may be used for those in dire need.

It is necessary that a Deaconess have an adequate training otherwise she cannot serve effectively, and therefore the Commission urges that there be no lowering of the educational standard provided for in the Canon, and that where possible an even higher standard be sought for. There is great need that the Church Training Schools should have money resources to provide scholarships for such training. The Clergy are urged to present the History of the Order of Deaconesses, the requirements for Candidates, and the present work and opportunity of the Order, to eligible women as a vocation for life service.

The Commission does not recommend that any change be made in the Canon at this time.

The Commission continues to consider the preparation of one, uniform Service for the Making of Deaconesses to the intent that it may be presented to the House of Bishops for their approval.

The Commission requests that it be continued.

The following Resolutions are offered in order to promote the work and welfare of the Order of Deaconesses:

1. Resolved, the House of concurring, that this Convention commends to the members of the Church the Retiring Fund for Deaconesses as a proper and necessary means for providing for the needs of Deaconesses who have had to retire from active service because of illness or age, and that the members of the Church be urged to make gifts of money to that Fund.

2. Resolved, the House of concurring, that this Convention recognizing the necessity for adequate training for Candidates for the Order of Deaconesses, draws the attention of the Church to the propriety of providing scholarships in the Church Training Schools where that training may be had.

3. Resolved, the House of concurring, that this Convention suggests to the Bishops and other Clergy the desirability of presenting the history of the Order of Deaconesses, the requirements for Candidates, and the present work and opportunity of the order, to eligible women as a vocation for life service.

4. Resolved, the House of concurring, that the Joint Commission on the work of Deaconesses be continued.

Respectfully submitted,

PHILIP M. REINELANDER, Chairman.
THOMAS A. SPARKS, Secretary.

For action on above see page 240.
DECEASED MEMBERS

APPENDIX X.

NAMES OF DECEASED MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF DEPUTIES COMMEMORATED—1937

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Number of Clergy, 62—Number of Laymen, 47.

I sent printed papers—(always have) to the secretaries of every Diocese and District containing full instructions as to data desired—papers marked like these report sheets—sent them out five weeks in advance of the Convention. In addition to this I had watched the Necrology Reports in every issue of the Church weeklies. I constantly consulted Stowe's Directory and the Journals of the General Convention. If I had not done this the above report would have been far less complete than it is. I am convinced that there must be a number of deceased lay deputies whose names have not been sent in. The disparity of numbers between the clerical and lay lists is too great to convince me that the latter report is complete.
EVANGELISM

APPENDIX XI.

COMMITTEE ON EVANGELISM

Your Committee on Evangelism begs to report that during the interim between this and the last General Convention, on account of the great distances from each other at which its members reside, it has held no meetings. It notes, however, that since the last Triennium, two of its members have been elevated to the Episcopate—Dean Dagwell of the Diocese of Colorado has been consecrated Bishop of the Diocese of Oregon; and the Rev. Dr. Lawrence of the Diocese of Rhode Island has been consecrated Bishop of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts.

It is a source of gratification to note that the report of your Committee on Evangelism as adopted by this House at its last meeting, held in Atlantic City (1934) has resulted in the formation and appointment of Committees on Evangelism throughout the country in several Dioceses of the Church. The effect of this has been to further the cause of Evangelism throughout the Church. It has made the Church more conscious of its need and has roused the membership of the Church wherever such committees have been appointed, to a sense of obligation to disciple others in the name of Christ. In this, definite progress has been made.

In some quarters of the Church Diocesan Committees on Evangelism have made outstanding contributions;—The influence of which has been far-reaching. The Diocese of Southern Ohio, which has taken the leadership in the work of the Forward Movement, has placed the entire Church under a debt of obligation for the statesmanlike manner in which this work has been prosecuted. Forward Movement and the work of Evangelism are so deeply allied in purpose that they appear one and the same. We cannot recommend too highly the service rendered by the Diocese of Southern Ohio for the furtherance of the spiritual life in the lives of all who are familiar with the Day by Day Booklets. Church people by the hundreds of thousands have been spiritually strengthened while many have been lifted in renewed vision in their efforts to enter more deeply into a fellowship with God. From the Diocese of Los Angeles come reports of the activity of the Diocesan Committee on Evangelism and the Forward Movement. Here the work has been prosecuted along the line of promoting Diocesan wide Missions as another means of rousing the people of the Church to a consciousness of obligation to publicly bear witness for Christ. Books have been published and placed in the hands of the clergy as suggestive only of subject matter and technique. Here, too, the work of this Diocese Committee has been far-reaching, as the Booklets have been used by clergy of several other Dioceses. From Michigan, Chicago, Idaho, Tennessee and other Dioceses come reports of the efforts being made along the line of Evangelism.

Not until nine years ago was this subject of Evangelism regarded of sufficient importance as to call for a report to the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies of General Convention. At the Convention held in Washington, D. C., a resolution was adopted calling for the appointment of a Standing Committee on this subject. Since then we have noted an ever-expanding mind of the Church as to its importance. Today we are coming to regard Evangelism as one of the important, if not the most important, department of Church life. The fulfilment of the Master's command—“Go ye—preach and teach”—is dependent upon it. It is the life of the Church and the solution of our financial and budgeting anxieties. When
the people of the Church are convinced of the reality of the claims of Christ upon their lives, they will give all the money the Church needs. It is because they are not so convinced, that the Church goes haltingly along today.

Christian faith can be a transforming and creative force in the corporate life only to the extent to which it takes possession of the minds and hearts of Church people and provides the principles by which their conduct in public and private life is determined. There are, of course, large numbers of laymen and laywomen who are loyal members of the Church and who by the integrity and unselfishness of their lives offer a convincing witness to the faith they profess. Such lives are the salt of the earth. They shine as beacon lights in a darkened sky. But these comprise only one-third of the members of the Church today. Two-thirds of the members of all churches are without any sense of responsibility for the work of the Church. They comprise the indifferent, the careless, the thoughtless, the self-indulgent and all those who have failed to grasp the Church's vision. They present a real problem. So long as this problem exists, so long as there is an individual in the land who is not convinced of the claims of Jesus Christ upon his life, there will be need for the work of Evangelism.

Your Committee is of the opinion that what the Church needs is to recognize the difference between a popular or conventional Christianity characteristic of this age and the Christianity of Jesus Christ. We note a growing sentiment to the effect that the Christianity of this 20th Century must, by the nature of things, differ essentially from the Christianity of Jesus Christ. There is a confusion in the minds of men with the result that they can see no difference between Christ's Religion and a Christianized civilization which is the indirect effect of that cause. The only way by which the Church can influence the life of a nation is by the individuals living the kind of life that Jesus Christ and His Apostles lived. The Church needs to be reminded over AGAIN that the Christian Religion is not a philosophy, nor a mere code of morals, nor a political machine, nor a social welfare agency, whose chief concern is material things in abundance, but that the Christian Religion spells a peculiar kind of life which daily strives to feature in itself the mind and heart of God.

Your Committee ventures to suggest that the challenge of this age strikes at the basic root of the Christian Religion. Members of the Church have to make a choice between different kinds of authority—each one of which claims absolute or undivided allegiance; the one is the divine authority of Jesus Christ Himself; the other, is the social authority of a conventional Christianity which just as imperatively demands that that obedience to Jesus Christ shall be a secondary consideration. It is evident that there can be no compromise. In the one case, the individual must accept Christ as the Master of his life; in the other case, he will acknowledge no master but self. Popular Christianity holds itself independent of Christ. Christ says that such independence means a state of separation from God. Popular Christianity says that the New Testament standards make men too strict and narrow-minded for the practical conduct of life. Christ Himself says:—“Straight is the path and narrow is the way that leadeth unto Life”.

This Convention can do no greater work in meeting the challenge of this age than to re-dedicate the Church to the task of winning souls for Christ. When the lapsed, indifferent and careless members of the Church have been reclaimed, when they, too, have surrendered to Christ as their Master, and have renewed their vision all other problems which confront
the Church today will have been solved. To this end, we present the following resolutions:

1. WHEREAS, The work of Evangelism and the Forward Movement of the Church is of primary importance in the fulfillment of the Master's command to make disciples of all peoples, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Bishops concurs, commits itself to a large and adequate apportionment whereby the work of Evangelism and the Forward Movement may be presented in a statesmanlike manner, And BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the sum shall be fixed by the Budget Committee after due conference with the Committee of Evangelism and the Forward Movement.

2. WHEREAS, The Christian Church holds fast to its belief in God as revealed in His Incarnate Son, Jesus Christ; And WHEREAS, This Convention is convinced that any attempt to establish a new social order, which fails to give God a large place in its program, is doomed to failure, therefore, BE IT RESOLVED, the House of Bishops concurring, does hereby reaffirm and reannounce to the world its firm belief in the Christian Church as the sole remedy for the world's sin, as the one hope of humanity, and as the only solution of the world's social and economic problems.

3. WHEREAS, The Christian Religion is a universal religion and holds fast to the truth revealed by Jesus Christ that all races of men on the face of the earth, irrespective of color, race or nationality, are one great family of the one God, who is the Father of all, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, That the House of Bishops concurring, affirms its allegiance to this basic truth and places itself on record as opposed to the tenets of Communism insofar as it is a negation of God, and is also opposed to the Fascist or Totalitarian state or any system of nationalism as contrary to the mind of Christ.

For action on above see page 246.

APPENDIX XII.

NATIONAL COMMISSION ON EVANGELISM REPORT TO GENERAL CONVENTION, 1937

Since the last Triennial Report of the Commission there have been five meetings of its members.

On October 22, 1934, at Atlantic City, New Jersey, the Commission organized by electing the Bishop of New Hampshire Chairman, and Samuel Thorne Secretary and Treasurer. A vote was unanimously adopted recognizing the devotion and self sacrifice of the retiring Chairman, Bishop Darst of East Carolina, who had served the Commission ever since its organization at General Convention in New Orleans in 1925.

On January 14 and 15, 1935, the Commission held a meeting at the College of Preachers, Washington, D. C. The Rev. Oliver J. Hart, D. D. of Washington reported on plans of the Commission of the Forward Movement, and the Director of Evangelism advised the Commission that an Association for Retreats had been formed the previous May at the College of Preachers, with the Rev. Dr. Huntington, O. H. C. President and Bishop Rhinelander Vice President.
Action was taken to promote cooperation with the Forward Movement. Mr. Coleman Jennings was appointed chairman of the Committee of the Commission on Evangelism in the Colleges.

It was the unanimous conviction of all members that Mass Evangelism was becoming out-moded, because of its sensational methods and over-emphasis on individual salvation.

The Group method of Evangelism, as practised in our Church and in others, and its objectives—conversion, enrichment of discipleship of Church members and winning back to loyalty those who had fallen away, was discussed.

Dr. Bunting described the methods used in his parish in St. Louis. On Friday mornings a meeting of women is held and on Sunday nights a mixed group of men and women. The average attendance is 100 on Fridays and 50 on Sundays. The meetings, under his leadership, are in three parts, as follows: (1) Instruction; (2) Questions and Testimonies; (3) Meditation and Prayer. They are held in the Church and a blackboard is used for the outline of instruction. Each member of the group meets privately with the Rector every few months to confer on a personal problem. The aim is to help members to change ideas into experience. Each member is urged to bring in others and do personal evangelism. These group meetings have a great effect upon the growing life of the parish.

On February 17, 1936, a meeting of the National Commission on Evangelism was held at the Yale Club, New York City. The Commission recorded its sense of loss in the death of the Right Reverend Samuel Babcock Booth, D.D., Bishop of Vermont, and voted to recommend to the Presiding Bishop the appointment of the Right Reverend Harwood Sturtevant, D.D., Bishop of Fond du Lac, as member of the Commission to fill the vacancy. Bishop Wilson reported on the diocesan-wide Mission recently held in Rhode Island.

Report was made of the plan of the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America to hold, from September to December, 1936, Preaching Missions in various parts of the United States. Action was taken toward cooperation where diocesan and local conditions made this possible.

Word was received from the National Council that if it were unable to raise the amount sought as an emergency fund by March 31st it would have to discontinue its payments to outside cooperative agencies, including the National Commission on Evangelism. In view of this, action was taken with regret to inform the Director on Evangelism and the Field Secretary that the Commission did not feel it could continue their salaries after September 1, 1936. The activities of these two officers of the National Commission since our previous report have been as follows:

The Director of Evangelism, the Rev. Malcolm S. Taylor, has aided in preaching and teaching Missions, Conferences and Retreats, programs of Evangelism for childhood and youth, prayer groups, training those qualified to conduct preaching and teaching Missions, seeking cooperation with other Evangelistic efforts. He has also taught at summer schools; conducted Parochial Schools of Prayer; conducted Quiet Hours and Days of Devotion in addition to holding a number of services and preaching. As Director of Evangelism he has cooperated with the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches. Publications prepared and printed by him are: "Steps in a Growing Prayer Life," "Devotional..."
Bible Card," "How to Make a Meditation," and "What Is a School of Prayer?".

Other important activities included aiding the Provinces and Dioceses in creating Commissions on Evangelism and assisting them in the prosecution of their work. Before September 1, 1936 he reports contact with forty-five of such groups. Missing the stimulation of his personality since that date the number has naturally decreased.

After termination of his faithful and far-reaching service with the National Commission on Evangelism the Rev. Malcolm S. Taylor resumed parochial work, accepting a call as Rector of All Saints' Parish, Frederick, Maryland.

Annexed to this report is a list, marked "A," of all Diocesan Commissions that are at present known as more or less active and a list, marked "B," of leaflets which the Commission would recommend in connection with evangelistic efforts.

The Field Secretary, Dr. Larkin W. Glazebrook, visited eleven Dioceses, making a total of three hundred or more lay-mission addresses. Since September 1, 1936, Dr. Glazebrook has continued to serve the Commission as Honorary Field Secretary without salary. He has held several lay missions in the Diocese of Virginia and Washington and held other services in parishes without rectors, or as substitutes for them in their absence. He has also from time to time assisted in the organization work of the Laymen's League.

In July of this year a conference on "Evangelism" was called together at Northfield, Massachusetts, by Dr. John R. Mott. At a meeting of the Department of Evangelism of the Federal Council of Churches, of which the Chairman and Secretary of the National Commission are _ex-officio_ members, attention was called to a two hundredth anniversary which will occur on May 24, 1938. On that date in 1738 at Aldersgate Street, London, England, the Reverend John Wesley passed through a spiritual experience having far-reaching influence in its results and well known to those acquainted with the religious history of that time. Wide recognition of that anniversary is now being planned by the Committee on Evangelism of the Methodist Episcopal Church. In the interest of Christian fellowship we append an expression of good will from this Convention in this connection.

Evangelism is the task of the Church and when the Forward Movement Commission was created, in accordance with action taken at the General Convention in 1934, promotion of this aim was included among its other activities. The members of the National Commission cordially welcome the Forward Movement Commission to this important task, and to avoid confusion as well as in the interest of wise economy, ask (1) that they be discharged from further responsibility and (2) that any balance in the treaury after expenses, and undistributed literature be transferred to the Forward Movement Commission.

Appended to this report is a brief résumé of Receipts and Disbursements for the last three years.

JOHN T. DALLAS, Chairman.

SAMUEL THORNE, Secretary.
### Diocesan Commissions on Evangelism Known About through Contact or Correspondence

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### Publications of National Commission on Evangelism


“How to Prepare for a Mission” (Multigraphed statement).

**Other Recommended Publications**

Multigraphed statements and questionnaires on details of procedure in holding a Parochial Mission, issued by Diocesan Commission on Evan-

"The Diocesan Program of Evangelism," a syllabus of outlines and addresses for clergy in holding a Mission, and other publications issued by Diocesan Commission on Evangelism of Los Angeles, California. Address any communications to the Rev. George Davidson, D.D., Chairman, St. John's Church, Los Angeles, California.

"Two by Two—A Program for Organized Visitation by Laymen." A multigraphed statement containing detailed outline of method, report forms and range of concrete examples from experience of the effectiveness of lay Evangelism, issued by Department of Ways and Means, Diocesan Council, Rev. Cowan C. Williams, Chairman, 65 East Huron Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The Episcopal Church Evangelist, published weekly by the Rev. Smythe H. Lindsay, 223 W. 7th Street, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Evangelism, a monthly bulletin of Evangelistic work in the Church of England, issued by the Bureau of Evangelism, Mr. C. Gordon Bridge, Secretary, 32 Crescent Road, London N. 8, England.

Summary of Receipts and Disbursements of the National Commission on Evangelism
October 10, 1934 to October 1, 1937

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Balance on hand as of October 1, 1937                                     | $284.70   |
Resolved, The House of ............., concurring, that the following greeting be sent to the Methodist Episcopal Church and particularly to its Committee on Evangelism.

WHEREAS, On May 24, 1738, at Aldersgate Street, London, England, the Rev. John Wesley, a member of the Anglican Communion, passed through a spiritual experience having far-reaching results upon his life's work, and

WHEREAS, The Clerical and Lay Delegates in General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America assembled have learned with interest that on May 24, 1938, a wide recognition of the two hundredth anniversary of this event is being planned under the auspices of the Committee on Evangelism of the Methodist Episcopal Church,

Now, Therefore, We, as such Delegates, take this opportunity to felicitate our Sister Communion, the Methodist Episcopal Church, upon the spiritual memories surrounding the occurrence of May 24, 1738, and to express the earnest and prayerful hope that at no distant date the way may be found to promote the more active sharing by all Christian Churches in such memories, and be it

Further Resolved, The House of ............., concurring, that, for the reasons set forth in its report to this Convention, the work of the National Commission on Evangelism be terminated and that the Officers of the Commission be and they are hereby directed to turn over any balance in the treasury of the Commission, after expenses, and undistributed literature, to the Forward Movement Commission.

For action on the above see page 244.

JOHN WESLEY

He was at heart a great Churchman. At the age of eighty-five he wrote: "I am a Church of England man, and as I said fifty years ago, so I say still, in the Church I will live and die, unless I am thrust out."

There were faults on both sides that made inevitable the break between the Methodists and the Established Church. The zeal of the Methodists was altogether opposed to the spirit of the age. It was because of the bitter hostility of the Parochial Clergy that Wesley planned for his followers to have their own Chapels and services.

In London Wesley met another Moravian, a young missionary named Peter Böhler, who helped him still further in his search for God.

One Spring evening, in the year 1738, he went to a little room in Aldersgate Street where a company of Moravians were holding a meeting. As he listened to a member of the group reading aloud from one of Martin Luther's books, Wesley suddenly knew that his long search was over. It was as though he came face to face with Jesus Christ. He saw Him as the center of all things. From that moment he gave up thinking of religion as a duty or a habit; it had become something so glad and joyous and alive that he must tell others about it. Wesley, the Missionary, was born.

PIONEERS OF THE KINGDOM,
By PHYLLIS L. GARLICK.
Edited by The Highway Press,
APPENDIX XIII.

THE JOINT COMMISSION ON THE WORLD CONFERENCE ON FAITH AND ORDER

Report of the Joint Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order, 1937

To the General Convention:

The second World Conference on Faith and Order was held in Edinburgh last August. This is the chief matter that your Commission has to report, but before submitting the account of the Conference prepared by those who were appointed to represent this Church, there are certain matters of record to be reported.

There have been the following changes in the membership of the Commission during the past three years: the loss by death of the Rt. Rev. Boyd Vincent, D.D., the Rt. Rev. Thomas F. Gailor, D.D., the Rt. Rev. Arthur S. Lloyd, D.D., and the Rev. B. Talbot Rogers, D.D.; the election of Mr. Clifford P. Morehouse, and Dr. Kenneth C. M. Sills; and the appointment of the Rev. Milton A. Barber, S.T.D. The commission has held four meetings since the last General Convention, at the first of which the following officers were elected:

Report of the Joint Commission on the World Conference on Faith and Order, 1937
Much consideration was given to the question of coordinating the work of the Commission on Faith and Order with that of other Commissions concerned with Christian reunion, and the following resolution was passed: “That in the opinion of the Commission, it is desirable that the Commission on Conference with the Presbyterian, Methodist, and Lutheran Churches should be combined with the Commission on Faith and Order.”

Representatives to the Second World Conference were elected, in April 1933, as follows: Rt. Rev. William T. Manning, D.D., Rt. Rev. Edward L. Parsons, D.D., Rt. Rev. James DeWolf Perry, D.D., Rt. Rev. H. St. George Tucker, D.D., the Rev. Charles Clingman, D.D., the Rev. Angus Dun, D.D., the Rev. Frank Gavin, Th.D., the Rev. Howard C. Robbins, D.D., Mr. Clifford P. Morehouse, and President Kenneth C. M. Sills, LL.D. Of these, Bishop Manning, Bishop Tucker and Bishop Clingman were unable to go to Edinburgh, and the final list of representatives and alternates, all of whom attended the Conference, was as follows:


The Report of the Delegates to the Edinburgh Conference

Introduction

The Second World Conference on Faith and Order, meeting at Edinburgh August 3-18, 1937, gave ample testimony to the growing strength of the movement initiated by the action of the General Convention of the Protestant Episcopal Church in 1910. At the opening session the whole Conference stood in silent remembrance of the distinguished service to this cause rendered by Bishop Brent, Mr. Robert H. Gardiner and Mr. George Zabriskie, and no report of that Conference to our own General Convention is complete without an expression of humble thankfulness for the service God enabled these members of our own Communion to give to the Church universal.

The extent to which the Faith and Order Movement has won the confidence and gained the cooperation of non-Roman Christendom is evidenced by the fact that the three hundred and fifty-nine delegates and eighty-four alternates brought together in Edinburgh represented one hundred and twenty-three Christian bodies in forty-three countries. Of these Churches, four were the product of unions between nine Churches that were represented at Lausanne; forty-two others have come into the movement since Lausanne.
These men and women, representing so many traditions, met together for two weeks in daily prayer, in formal and informal discussions of the deepest things uniting and dividing us, and in the common life of the hostels generously made available by the University of Edinburgh. Probably the most certain effect of the Conference was in the vision it brought to all who were present of the Church Catholic and in the enlargement of their understanding and sympathies.

The presence of friendly "observers" representing the Roman Catholic Church and the cordial messages received by the Conference from representatives of that great Communion keep alive the hope that a way may yet be found to overcome that major exception to the fully representative character of the movement.

Our own Church was fully represented by ten regular delegates and a number of alternates and visitors. The regular delegates were Bishops Perry, Oldham, Parsons and Stewart, the Reverend Professors Dun, Gavin and Robbins, Canon Bridgeman, Mr. Morehouse and President Sills. Of the alternates, Mrs. E. A. Stebbins served temporarily as a full delegate for Mr. Morehouse who was unavoidably absent the first few days, and the following were present and attended all the sessions of the Conference: Bishop Stevens, the Reverend Professors Dunphy, Lowry and Johnson, Canon Symons, the Reverend Dr. Spear, the Reverend F. J. Bloodgood, the Reverend C. R. Feilding and Miss Charlotte H. Adams. The Reverend Floyd W. Tomkins gave most devoted service in the heavy administrative task of the Conference staff, as he did at Lausanne and in all the years of preparation.

Before reporting on the more detailed work of the Conference we wish to bear testimony to its fidelity to the ideals of the Faith and Order Movement and to the growth of the "ocumenical spirit" which it revealed. Many who had been present at Lausanne spoke of the advance in the willingness to listen and to learn and in the lessening of the "defensive" attitude. We met as Christian brethren to understand one another and appreciate one another's convictions and traditions, rather than to score on one another or even convert one another. Representatives of inheritances as far apart as the Friends and the Orthodox, to name only two groups which took a particularly active and helpful part in the discussions, cooperated fully in the process of mutual self-interpretation. To have a share in the Conference was to undergo a training in self-restraint and to experience a truly democratic procedure in the attack on tenacious human differences. To the whole spirit and conduct of the Conference the character and skill of our chairman, the Archbishop of York, made a major contribution. We have much to learn from such an experience as to the Christian and fruitful method of dealing with differences within our Communion.

The Conference opened and concluded with services of great dignity in St. Giles' Cathedral. The special liturgies provided for these services offer valuable material for all services in the interests of unity, and the sermon of the Archbishop of York at the opening service deserves wide reading. It was a worshipping conference, and no fruitful discussion of such deep-going questions can be fruitful save in the atmosphere of prayer. We experienced there the truth of the statement in the Report that "in the non-sacramental worship of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit . . . there is little remaining occasion for the divisions between our Churches."
At an early session there was presented to the Conference an able "Statement on the Church's Witness in the World Today." In this statement we were reminded of the disintegration and conflict everywhere apparent in human society and of the passionate struggle for "community" which so often sets up partial and divisive loyalties in the place of the one supreme devotion to God and the whole people of God. And if no such statement had been made the news from China and the presence with us of brethren from the Church in China and the Church in Japan would have kept us mindful of how intimately the unity of the Church is bound up with the unity of mankind and how deeply the divisions of the Church are linked with the bitter conflicts of mankind. The approach to the questions of Faith and Order must never be allowed to take on an academic tone, as though far removed from the world's turmoil. If we withdraw to consider quietly the meaning of Grace and the Nature of Sacraments, it is only that we may join hands more securely in prayer and witness and service.

On the last day the Conference approved an "Affirmation of Union in Allegiance to our Lord Jesus Christ," prepared by a committee representing nine communions in eight countries. This gathers up in a simple, direct way the consciousness of spiritual unity which was the undergirding of the Conference. That statement might well be widely used in connection with the educational work which must follow the Conference, if its influence is to be carried on in the life of the Churches.

The program of the Conference called for the consideration of four major themes: I. The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ; II. The Church of Christ and the Word of God; III. The Ministry and the Sacraments; IV. The Church's Unity in Life and Worship. While the diversity of these subjects involved the Conference in a complex task, it had the great advantage of providing that the special concerns of many groups were recognized. It also obviated the danger, arising inevitably from the prominence of Anglican leadership in the beginnings of the movement, that our own presuppositions and interests should play too dominant a part in shaping the discussions.

Preparatory Studies

In preparation for the discussions of these subjects four Commissions had been at work for several years and all delegates were supplied in advance with the results of these studies. The Reports of these Commissions constitute some of the most valuable work of the movement, which is rightly weighed not only in terms of the great gatherings it assembles but in the cooperative Christian thinking it initiates.

In 1931 a Commission under the chairmanship of Bishop Headlam of Gloucester issued a pamphlet report on "The Theology of Grace" and a volume of contributed papers under the title of "The Doctrine of Grace." These, together with a pamphlet of "Notes" on this topic, prepared by Canon Hodgson, provided substantial material for the discussion of the first topic.

A second Commission, under the chairmanship of the late General Superintendent Dr. Zoellner, contributed a pamphlet report on "The Church of Christ and the Word of God," supported by two volumes—"The Mystery of God" by Dr. Wilhelm Stählin and a collection of papers under the title of "Die Kirche und das Wort Gottes." These were the basis for the consideration of the second subject.
A third Commission, again led by Bishop Headlam, presented a pamphlet report on “The Ministry and the Sacraments,” accompanied by an important volume under the same title consisting of essays by representatives of many Communions, including a Roman Catholic theologian.

A fourth Commission, under the Chairmanship of Dean Sperry and consisting chiefly of American members, prepared a series of five Reports under the broad title of “The Church’s Unity in Life and Worship.” These dealt with the nature of the unity we should seek, the progress achieved since Lausanne, the non-theological factors affecting Church Unity and the next steps to be taken towards our goal. They also included a report on “The Communion of Saints,” a subject which representatives of the Orthodox Churches had particularly asked to have included in the program. This was supplemented by a pamphlet on “The Mother of Christ in Christian Esteem,” written by Archdeacon Monohan of Wales at the request of the Continuation Committee.

Procedure

As a result both of the work done at Lausanne and of these studies during the intervening years it was possible at Edinburgh to modify considerably the procedure followed at Lausanne. Instead of starting with a general discussion of the main subjects, introduced by many prepared addresses, the Conference was divided immediately into four main sections and these, in turn, into subsections of twenty or more members. Thus our Episcopal delegates were distributed through the several sections and subsections; Bishop Stevens, the Rev. Messrs. Bloodgood and Tomkins and Dr. Lowry working in the section on Grace; Bishop Oldham and the Rev. Mr. Feilding in the section on the Word of God; Bishops Perry and Stewart, Dr. Dunphy, Canon Bridgeman, Miss Adams and Mr. Morehouse in that on the Ministry and Sacraments; Bishop Parsons, Doctors Dun, Gavin, Robbins and Spear, Mrs. Stebbins, Presidents Sills and Canon Symons in the section on the Church’s Unity in Life and Worship.

The small subsections devoted two days to the informal discussion of the topics within the main themes which were assigned to them. They then prepared drafts embodying their conclusions for submission to the larger sections. Following this the four main sections gave two days to the consideration of these drafts and revised them in the light of that discussion. After a free day to allow for the first printing of the sectional reports the Conference re-assembled as a whole to consider them. The five concluding days were given over to comment and criticism on these reports, in the light of which three successive revisions were made. Thus all of the reports were worked over many times. And they were all finally adopted for submission to the Churches either unanimously or without any negative votes.

It is a high tribute to the skilful administration of Canon Hodgson, the General Secretary, to the strenuous work of the secretarial staff and translators, to the leadership of Archbishop Temple and to the work of the chairmen and secretaries of the sections and subsections that so large a body was guided through two weeks of cooperative thought on schedule and without many serious snarls. The fact that so much of the most valuable discussions took place in the smaller groups, where no attempt was made to keep a record, means that important aspects of the Conference are retained only in the impressions and memories carried away by the delegates.
The final Report of the Conference for submission to the Churches will be available at this Convention and it is to be hoped that it will receive widespread attention. We therefore shall attempt only to indicate its general character and to emphasize some of the points felt to be most significant by those of us who had a hand in its preparation.

The Report opens with a thankful recognition of the real though limited progress in Church union which has taken place since the Lausanne Conference. A detailed history of that progress is to be found in the book "A Decade of Objective Progress in Church Unity, 1927-36," written by Dr. H. Paul Douglass for Commission IV.

This is followed by the Report on "The Grace of Our Lord Jesus Christ." The brief three-page statement of this theme, which has been the subject of much bitter conflict in Church history, voices in positive and distinctly "religious" terms a high level of agreement on fundamental aspects of Christian faith. To have dealt with such difficult and long-contested topics as Justification and Sanctification, the Sovereignty of God and Man's Response, the Word and Sacraments as Means of Grace, and "Sola Gratia," without recourse to reservations and notes protecting particular positions, and to have reached the conclusion that "there is in connection with this subject no ground for maintaining divisions between Churches" was a fine achievement. Representatives of Lutheranism, of Orthodoxy, of Anglicanism and of the Friends generously cooperated in the search for reconciling language. Dr. Lowry, who was a member of the section initially responsible for this statement, reports that "the section broke up in what was a love-feast, with a hymn and prayers, and in a generally shared consciousness of the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace." This most unanimous of all the reports passed the whole Conference with only slight verbal alterations.

The third chapter of the accepted Report contains the conclusions reached on "The Church of Christ and the Word of God." Here the uniqueness and supremacy of the revelation of God given in Christ is affirmed, and Holy Scripture is recognized as "the primary norm for the Church's teaching, worship and life." At the same time a parallel, even though an imperfect one, is acknowledged "between the inspiration of the Holy Scripture and the incarnation of the Word in our Lord Jesus Christ," since in each "there is a union between the divine and the human, and an acceptance, for God's saving purpose, of human limitations." All agreed that the Church is no mere human institution or voluntary association of individuals, and the chapter affirms emphatically the Church's divine origin and task.

"The function of the Church is to glorify God in adoration and sacrificial service and to be God's Missionary to the world. She is to bear witness to God's redeeming grace in Jesus Christ in her corporate life, to proclaim the good news to every creature and to make disciples of all nations, bringing Christ's commandments to communities as well as to individuals. In relation to those who belong to her fellowship or who are placed under her influence, the function of the Church is through the ministry of the Word and the Sacraments, and through Christian education, to make them into convinced Christians conscious of the reality of salvation. The needs of individual souls call for pastoral care and for a fellowship in the things of the Spirit through which the members provoke one another to good works, and to walk worthily of their calling, by true
friendship, mutual help and consolation, and the exercise of loving discipline. She is to intercede for all her members, especially for those who suffer for their faith, and for all mankind." "The Church greatly needs, and should both expect and welcome, the exercise of the gifts of prophecy and teaching by the laity, both men and women." A statement of the Church's function such as this, almost overcrowded with content, could hardly have come save from a group drawn from many traditions.

Recording, as it does, notable agreements, this chapter includes the recognition of differences calling for further exploration. Among these are the question as to how far a revelation of God outside of Scripture and of Christ is to be acknowledged; the authority of the Church and ecclesiastical Tradition as compared with that of Scripture; the relative place of a specific ministry and sacraments, of the Word of God and the inward testimony of the Spirit in assuring the Christian that he is in vital touch with Christ; the questions involved in the use of the word "Church" to designate, on the one hand, the visible redeemed and redempive community and, on the other hand, the invisible company of the fully redeemed. These differences correspond in some cases with lines of division between separated Churches or groups of Churches. In other cases they cut across denominational lines and are to be found within existing Communions.

Chapter four contains the conclusions of the Conference on the subject of "The Communion of Saints." Although, as has been already noted, this topic was treated as a distinct subject, the fact that it represented the special concern of a relatively small number of delegates and had been included within the extensive subject-matter of Commission IV resulted in its receiving limited attention. Apart from the agreement that "all who are 'in Christ' are knit together in one fellowship through the Spirit," that "we ought to remember with thankfulness those who as followers of Christ witnessed a good confession in their day and generation," and that "no cherishing of this doctrine should veil or shadow the sufficient and only mediatorship of Jesus Christ," this chapter is chiefly a record of divergencies in faith and practice. The consideration of this theme included the practice of prayers for the dead, the intercession of the saints and the place of the Mother of Christ in Christian esteem, but these proved to be subjects on which feeling is so sensitive that they are touched upon in the Report only in a most restrained and objective way.

It was generally agreed that the subject of "The Ministry and Sacraments," dealt with in chapter five of the Report, presented the greater difficulties. This chapter deals with the authority, nature and number of the Sacraments, the meaning of validity, Baptism, the Eucharist and the Ministry.

Under most of these headings important and in some cases a surprising measure of agreement was reached. "The Sacraments are given by Christ to the Church." "They are not bare symbols, but pledges and seals of grace, and means whereby it is received." "God's gracious action is not limited by His Sacraments." "The Sacraments are celebrated by the minister, not in virtue of any personal right of his own, but as a minister of the Church." "We agree that the sacraments practiced by any Christian Church which believes itself to be observing what Christ appointed for His Church are means of grace to those who partake of them with faith." "We all believe that Christ is truly present in the Eucharist." Though the sacrifice of Christ "can never be repeated," it "is proclaimed and set forth in the eucharistic action of the whole Church when we come to God in Christ at the Eucharist or Lord's Supper." "The secret of joining in that
sacrifice is both the worship and the service of God; corporate, because we are joined to Christ and in Him to each other; individual, because each one of us makes the corporate act of self-oblation his own; and not ceremonial only, but also profoundly ethical, because the keynote of all sacrifice and offering is 'Lo! I come to do thy will, O God.' ‘The ministry was instituted by Jesus Christ . . . and is a gift of God to the Church in the service of the Word and Sacraments.' ‘This ministry does not exclude but presupposes the ‘royal priesthood’ to which all Christians are called.' ‘It is essential to a united priesthood that it should have a ministry universally recognized.'

Around these broad agreements there gather a great number of differences which are stated in the text of the Report and its accompanying notes. There are differences “regarding the obligation of the sacraments and the question as to whether and in what way they are to be deemed necessary to salvation”; regarding the number of the sacraments; as to the practice of Infant Baptism; concerning the sacramental character of ordination and the dependence of other sacraments on a particular form of ordination; regarding the meaning of Apostolic Succession, etc. In connection with this last point there is an important recognition that a high claim to “Apostolic Succession” is not confined to Communions of the Episcopal order.

Bishop Stewart, as a member of the section which discussed these subjects, says, “Summing up the whole work of this section, perhaps it might be fair to say that behind the Christian courtesy and spirit of Christian charity which were marked throughout there lay great and grave differences of theology, which call for continued study and effort to see more clearly each other’s points of view.” He suggests, in line with a comment made in the Archbishop’s opening address “that most of the difficulties encountered in dealing with these questions are rooted in the fundamental question, ‘What is the Church and in what sense is it sacramental?’”

The last chapter of the Report deals with the Church’s Unity in Life and Worship. The Conference agreed that the essential foundation for progress towards visible unity is to be found in “the already existing and growing spiritual unity experienced by Christians.” It recognized that unity is many-sided. The form of unity which presents the least difficulty is the alliance of Churches for cooperative action. It was agreed that “federation” so construed has proven to be “one of the most hopeful paths to understanding and brotherly relations” and so “to more complete forms of unity.” At the same time all believe that the cooperation of Churches which remain separate bodies with separate loyalties is not our final goal. Full “sacramental intercommunion is a necessary part of any satisfactory Church unity.” And in a truly united Church “the ultimate loyalty of every member would be given to the whole body and not to any part of it. Its members would move freely from one part to another and find every privilege of membership open to them. The sacraments would be the sacraments of the whole body. The ministry would be accepted by all as a ministry of the whole body.”

Having dealt with the “Several Conceptions of Church Unity” the Report provides a valuable analysis of “The Forms of Likeness Basic for Church Unity” in its several meanings and a review of some of the major “Obstacles to Church Unity,” including those outside the field of Faith and Order.

The Report concludes with a large number of suggestions as to “What We Can Do to Move Towards the Unity We Should Seek.” These include
a stress on the great need of "an adequate educational oecumenical pro-
gram," especially designed for general Church membership; the fuller
 provision in theological seminaries; "for instruction of the future ministry
in all that pertains to the drawing together of the various Christian Com-
munions"; the extension of the practice of cooperation and comity between
Churches, wherever possible; the holding of regional conferences and inter-
denominational retreats; along with a dozen more practical suggestions
worthy of serious consideration by the Churches.

The Proposed World Council of Churches

No question is more frequently asked about the Conference than—
What did it do? The question frequently reveals a false notion of what
it tried to do and what it could do. The only answer one can make
is that it met and talked and prayed, and sought to catch hastily in words
some of the results of that talking, though very likely the most significant
results are developing in the minds and hearts of the delegates and may
appear without any obvious connection with the Conference.

The nearest that the Conference came to the sphere of "action" as such
was in recommending, with almost complete unanimity, that the Churches
participating in the Faith and Order Conference and in the Life and
Work Conference appoint representatives to establish a World Council of
Churches to carry on jointly the common interests which during the past
decade have been organized in these two movements.

The history of this action should be briefly reviewed. At their separate
sessions held in the summer of 1936 the Universal Council for Life and
Work and the Continuation Committee of the World Conference on Faith
and Order passed resolutions recommending the appointment of a Com-
mitee to review the work of oecumenical cooperation since the Stockholm
and Lausanne Conferences, and to report to the Oxford and Edinburgh
Conferences regarding the future of the Oecumenical Movement. This
"Committee of Thirty-five," on which our Church was represented by
Bishop Oldham and Bishop Parsons, met in July of this summer and
unanimously recommended that each of the two World Conferences at
Oxford and Edinburgh should adopt proposals for the formation of a
World Council of Churches.

The gist of these proposals (which had already been approved in prin-
inciple by the Oxford Conference) was that the World Council should
consist of

1. A General Assembly of some 200 representatives appointed by the
Churches themselves, to meet every five years;
2. A Central Committee of 60 members, to meet annually;
3. A Commission to carry on the work of Faith and Order;

The new organization "shall have no power to legislate for the Churches
or to commit them to action without their consent." Its functions shall
be (1) to carry on the work of Oxford and Edinburgh, (2) to promote
cooperation among the Churches in study and thought, (3) to promote the
growth of oecumenical consciousness in the Churches, (4) to make it
easier for the Churches to act together, (5) to consider the establishment
of an oecumenical journal, (6) to establish communication with Christian
movements on a world-scale and enter into such association with them as
it deems wise, (7) to call World Conferences on specific subjects as occasion requires.

These proposals were submitted to a large Committee of the Edinburgh Conference, excluding any who had previously served on the Committee of Thirty-five. The Edinburgh Committee brought in the following Report, which was approved by the full Conference with only one negative vote on August 11th:

"Consideration has been given to the fact that the desire for closer relations between the two movements, Faith and Order and Life and Work, originated in their own councils and led to the formation of the Committee of Thirty-five to consider the future relations of the two movements. That Committee has submitted a plan for a World Council of Christian Churches. The chief inducements for this proposed closer relationship have been that the two movements or conferences in carrying out their commissions, as received from the Churches, have learned that they have many interests and purposes in common and are closely inter-related. It has also been learned that in the appeal to the Churches for continued interest and support the question is often naturally asked why there should be two world movements when the lay mind does not understand and appreciate their distinctive functions.

"Although we have doubts about some details in the plan proposed—for example, the composition of the proposed central council and the method of appointing its members—we do not deem it worth while to single them out, as they can be remedied in the process which our Committee suggests in bringing the plan to completeness.

"The terms of our appointment by the participating Churches preclude our formal approval of the proposed plan for a World Council. Therefore:

"I. We recommended that the Conference:

(1) Give a sympathetic welcome to the general plan without committing itself to details.
(2) Commend it to the favorable consideration of the Churches.

"II. We further recommended that the Conference, through its Arrangements Committee, appoint a committee of seven members who shall co-operate with a similar committee appointed by the Universal Christian Council on Life and Work to form a ‘Constituent Committee’ of fourteen, whose duties shall be:

(1) To revise and complete the details of the plan for a World Council.
(2) To submit the completed plan to the Continuation Committee of the World Conference on Faith and Order.
(3) To arrange for the submission of the complete plan to the Churches when it is approved by the Continuation Committee.
(4) To convene the World Council when it is approved by the Churches.

"III. We also recommend that the Continuation Committee of this Conference be instructed:
(1) To instruct its Secretary, when he receives the completed plan from the Constituent Committee, to circulate it to all the members of the Continuation Committee, after which the Committee shall take prompt action either as a body or through its Executive Committee.

(2) To give approval to the completed plan only if the following guarantees be incorporated:
   (a) That the World Council's Commission on Faith and Order shall, in the first instance, be the Continuation Committee appointed by this Conference.
   
   (b) In any further appointments made by the Council to membership of the Commission on Faith and Order, the persons appointed shall always be members of the Churches which fall within the terms of the Faith and Order invitation as addressed to "all Christian bodies throughout the world which accept our Lord Jesus Christ as God and Saviour."

   (c) The work of the Commission on Faith and Order shall be carried on under the general care of a Theological Secretariat appointed by the Commission, in consultation with the Council and acting in close cooperation with other secretariats of the Council. The Council shall make adequate financial provision for the work of the Commission after consultation with the Commission.

   (d) In matters of common interest to all the Churches and pertaining to Faith and Order, the Council shall always proceed in accordance with the basis on which this Conference on Faith and Order was called and is being conducted.

   (e) The World Council shall consist of official representatives of the Churches participating.

   (f) Any Council formed before the first meeting of the General Assembly shall be called Provisional, and the Assembly, representing all the Churches, shall have complete freedom to determine the constitution of the Central Council.

The action taken at Edinburgh sought in particular to guard the scheme in such ways as would make certain that: (1) The World Council should be directly and officially representative of the Churches participating. (2) That its Commission on Faith and Order should continue to be based on the doctrinal foundation of the Faith and Order Movement. (3) That the principles of the Faith and Order Movement should be adhered to in that phase of the proposed Council's work.

The fact that these proposals passed the Conference with only one negative vote is an indication of the emphatically favorable judgment of those gathered there concerning these proposals, though it is only fair to say that a minority were not fully persuaded of the wisdom of the plan.

We believe that a majority of our own Episcopal delegates were convinced that the proposals as guarded by the Edinburgh amendments offer
the most practicable long-range scheme for conserving the interests of the
two great oecumenical movements, and that the World Council, if wisely
led, may grow into an effective organ for the common concerns of the
participating Churches. We are, therefore, prepared to recommend favor­
able consideration of these proposals by the General Convention. In view
of the fact that the proposals may not be ready in final form in time for
submission to this Convention we hope that it may be possible for the
Convention, on the basis of the conditions laid down at Edinburgh, to take
preliminary action providing for our representation on the Provisional
Council, conditional on like action by other Churches.

Conclusion

Along with our action relative to these proposals it is most important
that our Church should make adequate provision for our continuing share
in the movement for Church Unity, which we have had so important a
part in initiating and which God has so greatly blessed. This task includes
much beside our future cooperation with further plans for oecumenical
conference in the field of Faith and Order. It might well involve our
participation in regional conferences of the same type; conversations with
particular Churches, where those appear to offer promise of progress;
the continuing study of the problems involved by representatives of dif­
fent schools of thought within our own Communion; and the initiation
of a program of education in oecumenical relationships for our own
Church membership.

The call to unity is not the concern of a few specialists. Like the mis­
ionary task of the Church it is an urgent call from God to our whole
clergy and people. We are only faithful when we give it a place in our
life and worship which conforms to the place given it by our Lord.

Recommendations

Your Commission recommends:

1. That the Presiding Bishop be requested to lead the Convention, in
   joint session, in a suitable corporate act of thanksgiving to God for
   His blessing and guidance of the Edinburgh Conference.

2. That a special message of thanks be sent to the officers of the Con­
   tinuation Committee who prepared so effectively for the Conference.

3. That the Commission on Faith and Order be continued, with power
to elect additional members, and be directed to cooperate on behalf
of this Church with the Edinburgh Continuation Committee in further
plans growing out of the Edinburgh Conference.

4. That the Commission be instructed to arrange for the careful con­sideration of the Report of the Edinburgh Conference and the prepa­ration of a reply on behalf of this Church to be transmitted to the
Continuation Committee.

5. That the sum of $2,000 per annum for three years be added to the
budget for the work of the Commission.

For action on the above see page 248.
Treasurer's Report
June 30, 1934 to June 30, 1937

June 30, 1934, Balance on hand.................................$ 507.77

Receipts:
1935 From National Council...................................$1,000.00
1936 From National Council..................................1,000.00
1937 From National Council..................................1,000.00

$3,000.00

Expenditures:
1935 Appropriation to Continuation Committee...$1,000.00
Printing ..........................................................51.27
Meetings of Commission........................................46.00
Federal Tax on checks...........................................07
1936 Appropriation to Continuation Committee......1,000.00
1937 Appropriation to Continuation Committee......500.00
Expenses, delegates to Edinburgh Conference........500.00

$3,097.34

June 30, 1937 Balance in United States Trust Company,
New York..........................................................$ 410.43

Respectfully submitted,
ROBERT S. BARRETT, Treasurer.

APPENDIX XIV.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION ON CHURCH FLAG AND SEAL

Those present of your Commission on Church Flag and Seal have the
honor to report that many designs for a flag, shield or coat of arms and
seal have been submitted and carefully studied with the following con­
cclusions:—

1. That whereas a church seal is in existence and has been for many
years, even before Bishop Tuttle's time, though it is never used and is of a
most inappropriate design, this does not seem the appropriate time for the
adoption of a new design as this convention is not an incorporated body,
and the Presiding Bishop has stated, to use his own words, "that having no
jurisdiction he has no right to use a seal."

2. That the time has arrived, however, when there is a distinct demand
by the people of the Church for a flag that in its component parts is
historically correct and its design artistic and in accordance with the
accepted rules of heraldry, and which will typify the solidarity of the
Episcopal Church as it will be proper to display it in every church and
mission in this broad land and in every one of our foreign mission stations.

3. That of the various designs submitted, the following is deemed the
best and most satisfactory as its design is historically accurate, it is
artistic and in correct heraldic form. It is therefore presented for your consideration, and we hope will be enthusiastically approved.

4. The following is a description of the design—

A red cross on a white field, quadrated to give adequate space to display an open book in the center, upon the white leaves of which are the words, “Book of Common Prayer,” the edges of the leaves of the book to be golden and its outline in black. The book as above described and placed, immediately shows the flag to be a religious and not a military or secular flag. The red cross on a white field with open book in the center is superimposed on a blue field typifying the United States, on which are nine white stars with the points upward, representing the nine dioceses that met in the first General Convention in 1789 and then drafted and adopted the Constitution of this Church and the first American Prayer Book; the four corners of the white field being cut away to show the blue field and eight of the nine stars, the ninth star being under the book and therefore invisible, though existent. The nine dioceses were Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and South Carolina, this being the first General Convention with its House of Bishops and House of Clerical and Lay Deputies, the nine stars being placed in the form of a St. Andrew’s Cross, in commemoration of the fact that our first Bishop, who was Bishop Seabury of Connecticut, was obliged to go to Scotland for consecration as the English Bishops could not then consecrate an American Bishop though they were able very shortly thereafter to consecrate White and Provost Bishops, thereby making the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America autonomous.

In heraldic language the description is as follows:

The Arms of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America on azure nine mullets in saltire argent (for the first General Convention of this Church) a cross gules, quadrate, fimbriated argent (for the Christian Church) at the fesse point an open book or, thereon the words—

“Book of Common Prayer”

Therefore, be it Resolved: The House of Bishops concurring, that the flag of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America be as follows:

A red cross on a white field quadrated to give adequate space to display an open book in the center, upon its white leaves being the words, “Book of Common Prayer,” the edges of the leaves of the book to be golden and its outline in black, the red cross on the white field with the open book in the center is superimposed on a blue field typifying these United States, on which are nine white stars with the points upwards representing the nine dioceses that met in the first General Convention in 1789, and then drafted and adopted the Constitution of this Church and the first American Prayer Book; the four corner parts of the white field being cut away so as to show the blue field and eight of the nine stars, the ninth star being under the book and therefore invisible though existent. The nine dioceses were Massachusetts, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and South Carolina, this being the first General Convention with its House of Bishops and House of Clerical and
Lay Deputies, the nine stars being placed in the form of a St. Andrew's Cross, in commemoration of the fact that our first Bishop, who was Bishop Samuel Seabury of Connecticut, was obliged to go to Scotland for consecration as the English Bishops could not then consecrate an American Bishop, though they were able very shortly thereafter to consecrate White and Provost Bishops, thereby making the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America autonomous.

In heraldic language the description of the flag is as follows:

THE ARMS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

On azure nine mullets in saltire argent (for the nine dioceses represented in the first General Convention of this Church) a cross gules, quadrate, fimbriated argent, (for the Christian Church) at the fesse point an open book or, thereon the words—

"Book of Common Prayer"

Respectfully submitted,

THE COMMISSION ON CHURCH FLAG AND SEAL,
WILLIAM M. BALDWIN of Long Island, Secretary.

For action on the above see page 251.

APPENDIX XV.

THE FORWARD MOVEMENT COMMISSION APPOINTED BY GENERAL CONVENTION

RT. REV. EDWARD M. CROSS, S.T.D.  M. FRANK P. DEARING
RT. REV. HENRY W. HOBSON, D.D.  M. JOHN I. HARTMAN
RT. REV. WILLIAM T. MANNING, D.D.  M. R. KEITH KANE
RT. REV. CLINTON S. QUIN, D.D.  WARREN KEARNEY, D.C.L.
RT. REV. BENJAMIN M. WASHBURN, D.D.  M. AUSTIN J. LINDSTROM
REV. KARL M. BLOCK, D.D.  M. CLIFFORD P. MOREHOUSE
REV. OLIVER J. HART, D.D.  M. JOHN H. MYERS
VEN. W. R. H. HODGKIN, D.D.  M. HOWARD L. SEAMAN
REV. ARTHUR L. KINSOLVING, D.D.  M. LEWIS C. WILLIAMS
REV. WALTER F. TUNES, D.D.  M. W. W. WINE


REPORT OF THE FORWARD MOVEMENT COMMISSION TO THE FIFTY-SECOND GENERAL CONVENTION

At the fifty-first General Convention held in Atlantic City the Joint-Committee on Budget and Program brought in an appeal and two resolutions as follows:

"We dare not be content with present achievement, though that achievement in these tragic times has been and is a great one. The discouragement of these last three years must be transfigured into a confident attitude toward the future. The work of the Church is of such importance and reality that it deserves the full co-operation of every member of the Church.

"Your Committee believes that the Church, its members working confidently together, realizing again its unity and the interdependence of all its parts, is able to meet adequately the tasks that await it.

"To this end we believe that a FORWARD MOVEMENT should be inaugurated during the coming year—a movement that should set before every part of the Church the definite objectives the Church should seek to attain, and should find a way to bring to each Diocese these objectives and to enlist its full co-operation.

"The Committee offers the following resolution:

Resolved, the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies concurring, that a Joint Commission on a FORWARD MOVEMENT, of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and ten Laymen, be appointed immediately to prepare and carry out definite plans in collaboration with the National Council for an organized effort to revitalize the life of the Church and to rehabilitate its General, Diocesan, and Parochial work; and that suggestions be invited from all those who are members of this General Convention, and others, thus insuring the representative thought of the whole Church.

Resolved, the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies concurring, that undesignated legacies shall be divided and applied as follows: One-half to the payment of debt and one-half to the promotion of a FORWARD MOVEMENT.

These resolutions were unanimously adopted by both Houses and the Commission was appointed with the following membership:

The Bishop of Southern Ohio, the Bishop of New York, the Bishop...
of Texas, the Bishop of Spokane, the Bishop Coadjutor of Newark, Rev. Dr. Kinsolving of Massachusetts, Rev. Dr. Hart of Washington, D.C., Rev. Dr. Tunks of Ohio, Rev. Dr. Block of Missouri, Rev. Dr. Hodgkin of California, Ralph Hollenbeck* of Southern Ohio, C. P. Morehouse of Milwaukee, L. C. Williams of Virginia, Jos. Rushton* of Chicago, Howard Seaman of Delaware, John Hartman of Harrisburg, Harvey S. Firestone, Jr. of Ohio, John Nicholas Brown* of Rhode Island, Carl Johnson* of Colorado, Albert Crosby* of Minnesota.

The organization meeting in Atlantic City elected as temporary Chairman the Rt. Rev. Henry W. Hobson, Bishop of Southern Ohio. At the first working meeting in Chicago on December 6, 1934, Bishop Hobson was made permanent Chairman with the Rev. Dr. Karl Morgan Block as Secretary. The Commission has held eight stated meetings occupying a month of working days not counting the time of travel to five different cities. An Executive Committee of the Chairman, the Secretary, the Bishop of Tennessee and Mr. Clifford P. Morehouse was appointed and has met several times each year. In order to "set the definite objectives before every part of the Church" the Commission members have covered a huge travel mileage, and have written and answered thousands of letters. Expenses have been kept down to a nominal figure because practically all the work was done as a free will offering. Headquarters were provided by the Diocese of Southern Ohio.

The Commission early increased its strength to about fifty members by electing as Associates, Bishops, Presbyters, Laymen and Laywomen, including Youth representatives. The complete roster is printed elsewhere in this report. A staff of three has served for a part of the triennium; the Rev. Dr. Arthur M. Sherman on full time for Field and Conference work; the Rev. Canon Gilbert P. Symons on part-time as editor of Literature; and the Rev. Smythe H. Lindsay on part-time for Publicity. The Commission has suffered the loss by death of two valued members: the Rt. Rev. Samuel Babcock Booth, and the Rev. Alfred Newbery.

It is neither desirable nor possible to give a history of the Forward Movement as an entity in itself, for the Forward Movement, insofar as it has been real, has been interwoven with the very fiber of the Church's life. Forward Movement is not an organization, it is not a new program, it is not something added to the Church. It is the eternal onward march of God's Spirit demanding its expression in the individual and corporate life of the Church in our day. The Commission has sought to serve as a center of encouragement and help, but the real Movement has been made by the Body of the Church working through her loyal and devoted members everywhere. Their numbers cannot be tabulated. Their names are known of God.

Thousands of assuring messages by letter and word of mouth urge us to believe that real progress has been made. But we cannot register that progress by statistics. Indeed, as we face the needs of the world and of the Church, we know all too well how much we hoped to do, how much there is to do, how much is still unattained.

The difficulties confronting the officers and members of the National Council day by day—yes, even hour by hour—have been constantly before us. We have shared their longing to see the Church's work more adequately supported. We have insisted from the time our first word was spoken in 1934 that a loyalty to our duly chosen leaders, as well as to the

*Resigned.
program which they are called to direct, is an essential part of any forward movement. Greatly as we desired to see an increase in financial support from the members of the Church, we have become more and more convinced that any permanent increase would result not from a whirlwind drive but from a persistent and understanding educational program which will make clear to every Churchman the joy of sharing every value—money included—in love to God and his neighbor.

There are thousands who have formed the habit of daily Bible-reading and prayer. Many dioceses and hundreds of congregations report not only an increase in church attendance, baptisms and confirmations; but, what is more significant, a new spirit of penitence and discipleship, a new desire to learn and to serve, a new approach to God in prayer and sacrament. We would keep ourselves distrustful of the delusion of success. But it would be ingratitude to God and to the devotion of countless numbers of fellow-members in Christ to say that the effort for Forward Movement has been in vain. God has richly blessed every genuine response to the appeal, whether in single lives or in homes, in little groups, in congregations, or in dioceses.

We cannot, even if we would, cite here instances of progress made. It is enough for us to know that the Church (though lagging still in many a place) is turning away from vagueness and complacency to face her divine mission with surer conviction and a higher sense of vitality. We as a Commission have done little to cause the change, but God's Spirit touching the lives of many throughout the Church has given new vision, hope and courage. Again our Lord is being seen as the Way, and our mission is to follow. Therefore, instead of enumerating things done, we would rejoice if the Forward Movement has helped in some small way to arouse the Church "while we have time" to avail herself of the grace of God and to use His power for the setting forward of His Kingdom.

PRINCIPLES

Faced with the all-embracing charge which the last General Convention issued to the Forward Movement Commission, we have sought first things first, realizing that "to reinvigorate the life" is primary. Having that objective clear, we resolved upon the following principles:

1. Dependence on God. The task before us is impossible unless we at all times depend upon God for His guidance in every step we take, and His strength in our every effort. Your Commission has sought to go first and always to God, trusting confidently that He will reveal to us what He would have us do, and that He will give us the power to accomplish His purpose.

2. Dependence on one another. The common mind and heart of the whole Church must be the foundation upon which any effective program can be built. Your Commission has sought the counsel of all sorts and conditions of men throughout the Church. We have no desire to manage a movement, but rather to encourage all to take their part in the fulfillment of God's will for His Church in this day. A true Forward Movement must spring from the members of the Church, stirred by God's Spirit, and not be superimposed by a few leaders.

3. Unity and Fellowship. The task which God has given us can unite us. Your Commission found that joyful fellowship sprang up to unite a group representing many shades of opinion within the Church as we faced our common task. We have counted on this same fellowship to
lead the Church into closer unity which will lift us all above our prejudices and personal differences, and give us a new sense of our oneness in Christ. Cooperation has in some quarters been spontaneous and intense, bespeaking the longing and the prayers in many hearts for revival; in other quarters it has been genuine if not always sustained. In many places cooperation will come tomorrow. We do not despair that it will come.

The Program

The natural temptation is to borrow the program of current promotional practice and apply it to the world of spirit. This would take the form of mass suggestion, whirlwind drives, time limits, quotas and pressure for statistical achievement. This may be good in other spheres, but we distrusted it for reinvigorating life. For new life we must go to the source of life, even to God. And we cannot go to God in worked-up excitement, in droves hustled on by shouting drivers. There is only One Way and that is Christ Who declares, "I am the Way." "Follow Me." Therefore, our program was simple at first: Discipleship—to take the Living Christ as the Way; to make it a personal and daily Rule-of-Life to Turn, Follow, Learn, Pray, Serve, Worship and Share.

Many were disappointed at this. Earnest souls grieving over the social disorder wanted at once a program of remedial or even revolutionary action. Others sensitive of our laxity in church loyalty, called for rigid standards of conformity. Others regretted that we did not boldly seek to raise funds. It would have been easier to respond to these demands. We resisted because, "from the heart are the issues of life." We aimed at first at the Kingdom of God and His righteousness.

Already we have taken first steps toward better organization; minimum standards; enlistment for active and realistic service; the strengthening of the Corporate; and the development of a larger number of consecrated givers to the whole work of the Church. This beginning must be pressed toward fulfillment; but in so doing it is essential that the primal call to Discipleship must be kept sounding, and never cease.

The Discipleship Rule of Life, simple enough for a child and immediately applicable, is capable of ever deeper interpretation. It is an organic principle of life which can bear the pressure of any program built upon it. Discipleship, burning and impassioned with the love of God, is for the individual and for the Corporate Body. How it has taken hold and made itself at home can be seen in revived persons, families, groups, congregations, and dioceses.

Literature

Our first pamphlet on the seven steps of the Disciples' Way called us all to follow Christ by the help of daily Bible-reading, by sacrament and prayer. The Church bought nearly seven hundred thousand of these pamphlets, and called for a continuance of some form of daily Bible-readings. Though unprepared for the demand, and all too conscious of the shortcomings of its product, the Commission has issued since Lent 1935 fifteen of its manuals Forward—day by day at cost—some seven million copies in all. The writers have done exacting work as a labor of love in addition to their regular duties—not as professional men-of-letters but as shepherds of souls.
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Other literature was soon called-for to meet particular needs. We have confined ourselves to such items as have been insistently demanded. Twenty-seven pieces of literature were published in numbers approaching two million copies. Some were for general use, others for special groups—clergy, adults, children, young people and families. Certain of our literature has been adapted and translated into the tongues of the younger churches in Japan, China, and Latin America. Since the fall of 1935, many generous friends have made it possible for us to issue for the Blind in Braille, fifteen hundred copies of Forward—day by day at each Church season. These have gone free, as have numerous copies of the regular editions to the Deaf Mute, to the isolated, to institutions and poor missions.

We are grateful to a large number of persons for the willing and often arduous labor connected in some way with the creation of our literature. From the outset all sign of authorship has been buried in anonymity. It was the message and not the writer that was to be made known.

We have depended almost wholly upon the parish clergy to distribute our literature, seeking always to keep the cost at production price so as not to make it burdensome. While striving to be business-like, we have sent our literature not as commercial enterprise but as communications between friends. These friends are not limited to the parish rolls of our own Church. Tens of thousands of copies find their way to our sister Church in Canada, to other Christian communions in America and abroad. They have gone into prisons, hospitals, and many a place where God's children are in darkness and suffering. We are deeply grateful for the response that the members of our Church, and many others, have given to the publications of the Commission.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

In addition to the publishing of literature as above referred to, the Forward Movement Joint Commission's work has included many other vital matters. Among the most important elements, we refer, briefly to the following:

Contact with Clergy. The Commission began its work by consulting with every Bishop of the Church whom we could reach. From the Bishops we obtained, at first hand, a picture of the conditions directly confronting the Church in the several dioceses, and such suggestions as seemed wise in developing a concerted plan for meeting and dealing with them. From time to time, by personal contact, and through correspondence, the Commission has kept in close touch with the Bishops. Selected persons have been sent to lead Clergy Conferences, in response to requests from all parts of the country. At all these gatherings, first place has been given to the interior life of the Clergy. Upon this foundation, discussion has been directed toward the improvement of methods in the conduct of all parish activities, with an eye single toward strengthening the Church's witness for Christ in every field. Two courses of study, designed to be helpful to the Clergy, were prepared and distributed. Forward Today, a bulletin of news and information on useful methods, has been issued from time to time.

Contact with Laity. Many meetings for men, for women, and for mixed groups, have been held in all parts of the country with the aim of stimulating thinking, deepening the devotional life, and increasing the active expression of Christian witness. We note with deepest appreciation the whole-hearted cooperation of the Woman's Auxiliary in all our efforts.
Contact with Youth. At over 50 Summer Conferences, in Seminaries, Colleges, at diocesan and parish centers we have sought to use every opening for contact with Youth.

General Contacts. Conventions and large public gatherings have used our leaders either for the whole or part of their programs. Radio has been used to a large extent in nation-wide broadcasts; and, what is perhaps better, by local clergy broadcasting to limited areas with the help of our devotional literature which has been widely distributed to the writers of "fan mail."

FINANCES

Planning a program, and putting it into operation, with no possible way of knowing what funds would be available to meet expenses, has presented many problems. Throughout the Triennium we have hoped that our share of the undesignated legacies might at least approach the amount which we were told would probably come to us. Now it seems quite sure that we shall receive not more than about one-fourth of the minimum expectation.

Our rule has been to spend only what was essential to the work which was committed to us by the General Convention. We have had no chance to follow the "pay-as-you-go" plan, since no accurate estimate could be made of our probable income.

The uncertainty we have faced, and the falling-off of the undesignated legacies, have combined to create a deficit in our finances. On September 15, 1937, the liabilities of the Commission exceeded its assets by about seven thousand dollars. The National Council has generously made arrangements for us to borrow money to serve as working capital and to cover this excess of liabilities over assets. A full financial statement is given as Appendix B in this report.

MISSIONARY EDUCATION

The Commission has sought every opportunity to cooperate with the National Council, which in turn has lent us aid wherever possible. All of our literature has been missionary in spirit. Several of our widely distributed pamphlets are direct missionary education, notably Forward—day by day for Late Trinity 1935, Guide No. 1, the pictorial "Go!", the Children's booklets, and many issues of the bulletin Forward Today, and the clergy manual Into All the World. In thousands of contacts the Commission has pointed away from itself as only an emergency organization and encouraged loyal and cordial support of the National Council. We would stress this point, and urge one and all to allegiance to our duly constituted church leadership. To this end there have been held after intensive preparation conferences upon the Missionary Motive.

Five central conferences in Oregon, Pennsylvanian, Illinois, Alabama and California drew together representative leaders to think and pray about the eternal motive of the Christian Mission, and to develop methods effective for its promotion in today's changed world. In turn, these representatives have carried through similar conferences in their regions and nearer localities. We feel that this work must be continued until the whole Church is re-inspired.
Months before the World Conferences of 1937 at Oxford and at Edinburgh, the Commission made the cause of the reunion of Christendom a part of its program by advance notices, by the Summer issue of Forward—day by day which centered about the World Conference theme, and by assisting the formation of preparatory study classes and prayer groups.

Now that the World Conferences have given Christendom so glorious a lead, we commend their findings and plans to the thought and prayer of our Church people as essential factors henceforth in Forward Movement.

THE FUTURE

We have sought to work for God and His Church. It is our duty now to hand over our report to General Convention and ask to be discharged. While it is for the Convention to decide whether a new Commission shall be appointed, we are at one in praying that the work itself shall go on, however and by whomever it may be conducted. Of necessity and in consideration for perhaps a half-million readers we have made commitments to continue publishing our devotional literature up to Trinity Sunday, 1938.

Three years ago we faced the unknown. We have sought to discover the way which God in saving His Church would have us travel. Our work has always been a high privilege and a joy. We have found an enlargement of friendship, a high purpose which has revealed our true unity, a new understanding of the wonderful resources God has in His Holy Being, and how ready He is to impart these resources to His children.

Forward together, with Christ!

APPENDIX A

DISTRIBUTION OF FORWARD MOVEMENT LITERATURE
LENT 1935 TO OCTOBER 1937

Daily Bible Readings—

Discipleship .................................................. 672,405
Disciples of the Living Christ ............................... 601,320
Follow On ................................................... 241,130
Forward “Late Trinity” 1935 ............................ 347,913
“Advent” 1935 .................................................. 422,715
“Epiphany” 1936 ........................................... 359,613
“Lent” 1936 ...................................................... 617,260
“Easter” 1936 ................................................... 461,840
“Summer” 1936 ................................................. 381,674
“Late Trinity” 1936 .................................... 414,320
“Advent” 1936 ................................................... 417,114
“Epiphany” 1937 ........................................... 379,323
“Lent” 1937 ...................................................... 519,185
“Easter” 1937 .................................................... 375,356
“Summer” 1937 ................................................. 354,650
“Late Trinity” 1937 ..................................... 343,000
FORWARD MOVEMENT

(Forward—Day by Day—13 issues. Total Copies, 5,393,963.)
(Total issue of Bible-reading manuals, 6,908,818.)
The Coming of the Light........................................ 102,500
Come and See.................................................... 52,550
On Earth Peace..................................................... 72,300
We Promise......................................................... 86,100
Forward Into All the World (Guide No. 1).......................... 26,600
My Own Steps Forward (Guide No. 2).................................. 27,850
A Better Economic Order (Guide No. 3).................................. 14,100
Christian Worship (Guide No. 4).................................. 19,450
The Episcopal Church............................................. 352,000
An Act of Affirmation................................................ 422,000
Radio Addresses......................................................... 79,700
Building a Parish Program........................................... 11,000
Religion in Family Life............................................. 16,400
Your Parish and Its Young People.................................. 7,985
Our Father.......................................................... 37,850
Youth and Education.................................................. 9,500
Proving Prayer........................................................ 18,150
Why Be a Christian................................................... 11,525
Go and Make Disciples.............................................. 9,400
Pocket Calendar Cards (Packets of 54 each).......................... 3,765
Vision and Task...................................................... 10,600
Coin Envelopes...................................................... 560,000
Into All the World................................................... 4,300
Prayers, New & Old (Paper)......................................... 29,500
Prayers, New & Old (Cloth)......................................... 1,780
Prayers, New & Old (Leather Bound).................................. 290
A B C—Programs for Young People.................................. 5,150
“Go I” The Mission Pictorial....................................... 27,200

Total number of copies sent out.................................. 8,928,363

APENDIX B

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

NOVEMBER 1, 1934 TO SEPTEMBER 15, 1937

RECEIPTS:

Undesignated Legacies............................................. $ 47,461.71
Gifts................................................................. 12,454.67
For Braille Publications.......................................... 2,684.37
Miscellaneous....................................................... 30.32
Loans................................................................. 27,038.29
Sale of Literature................................................... 152,692.43
Overpayments of Accounts......................................... 84.56

$242,446.35

DISBURSEMENTS:

1. Staff: Salaries, Pensions, Premiums and Traveling Exp...$ 24,763.05
2. Traveling Expenses of Commission and Volunteers, and
   Expenses of Meetings and Conferences........................ 13,026.39
3. Publicity, Advertising, and Communications with Clergy... 4,494.07
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4. Literature:
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7. Interest Paid: $660.13

8. Accounts Receivable: $222,738

On deposit in Central Trust Co., Cincinnati: $1,206.93

Total Assets and Liabilities: $242,446.35

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

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For action on the above see page 254.
The Board of Trustees of the General Theological Seminary submits herewith copies of the Proceedings of the Board 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 following points of interest:

The Canon passed by the General Convention of 1934, requiring that before a man is admitted a candidate for Holy Orders he must submit a certificate from the seminary where he is studying, showing that he has completed one year's work satisfactorily and is otherwise qualified to serve in the ministry of this Church, has proved of great value in helping the Seminary to play its part in maintaining standards for the ministry. The provision that the test shall be not merely an intellectual one to be met by the passing of examinations, but that qualifications of character and personality shall be taken into account has imposed a grave responsibility upon the seminaries but one which it is altogether right and proper that they should bear. At the General Seminary the decision as to these qualifications has in every case been made by the teaching staff as a whole and with practical unanimity. That in some cases it has been necessary to refuse to grant the certificate was of course inevitable, but the question may well be asked whether the clergy generally are sufficiently alive to their peculiar responsibility. It is they who in the first instance recommend men to the Bishops and it is to be feared that perhaps partly because many of them make little positive effort to present the challenge of the ministry to the right sort of young man they are sometimes rather too ready to accept without sufficient scrutiny those who offer themselves of their own motion. In all the discussion of theological education it is to be remembered that after all the quality of the students is the factor which will chiefly determine the product. Suggestions in this field are sometimes made which seem to assume that men preparing for the ministry may be possessed of much less than the average of common sense, initiative and resourcefulness. Sometimes they are, but it is at least an open question whether such men can by any kind of teaching be made really useful ministers. As it has well been said recently, “The Church needs not fewer but more clergy, able, educated, virile men conscious of a vocation from God whose hearts are on fire with missionary zeal and the love of souls.” Fruitful discussion of training must proceed on the assumption that the men who are to be trained are capable of responding to that ideal. The raising up of such men is a responsibility which rests in the first instance on the parochial clergy. The education offered them must then be such as to enlist and develop all their powers of thought and devotion and human sympathy.

The Faculty of the Seminary have been engaged in that periodical revision of the curriculum which is a necessary part of the life of any progressive, educational institution. The time to be allotted to the several subjects, the relation of required work to electives so that every man may be both thoroughly grounded in the essentials and have opportunity for
the development of his own particular aptitude, the relation of the work to the needs of the practical ministry, are questions which require frequent reconsideration. Changes have been chiefly in the direction of avoiding duplication of work by incorporating for example the study of Missions and of Church Polity in the courses in History. These subjects may thus be more clearly felt to be integral to the life of the Church as they are seen in the perspective of the Church's history. More important still is the provision in the first term of the Junior Year for an elementary course in Christian doctrine entitled An Introduction to Christian Faith and Practice. It is our hope that by thus helping men at the outset to ground themselves in the essential truths of the Christian religion, we may save them something of the bewilderment and confusion that the facing of critical problems so often entails.

The Department of Pastoral Theology has been in conference with the Superintendent and members of the Board of Directors of the New York City Mission Society with a view to considering ways in which the diversified institutional work of the Society might afford new opportunities for the practical training of seminary students. It is evident that field work of this kind providing contact with many forms of social endeavor carried on under the auspices of the Church should help greatly in preparing men for their ministry. It is also evident that such work should be done only under the closest and wisest supervision. Without such supervision what is called clinical experience may mean simply the development of a perilous facility in dealing with human beings, what a brilliant critic of modern, educational method has called learning "the tricks of the trade." It has seemed best therefore to begin by appointing a Fellow and Tutor of the Seminary who shall also be on the staff of the City Mission Society and shall thus be able to explore from within the possibilities of a closer association between the Seminary and the Society.

The Seminary remains keenly alive to the importance of using every possible means for keeping students in touch with the actualities of human living and making them conversant with the ways in which social agencies are dealing with the grave problems of human need. At the same time it is convinced that the priest can do his particular work only as his every activity is informed by the love that springs from the true knowledge of God. That knowledge is nourished in prayer and worship and so the Chapel holds its central significance in the Seminary life. But the self-commitment to the loving will of God there practiced must be carried over into the classrooms as in their studies, too, men dedicate themselves to the service of Him Who is the Truth. It is not a matter of barren scholarship either in the accumulation for display of variegated information or the ability to handle deftly abstract propositions, but the cultivation of a tone and spirit, of that "veracity of thought and action and the resolute facing of the world as it is "without which, as Thomas Huxley put it, there can be "no alleviation of the sufferings of mankind." A great spiritual writer of our own day, Evelyn Underhill, has said, "Without its metaphysical background", that is to say, without its concern with the truth, "religion easily declines into a mere system of sanctions and consolations." In the Church, the pillar and ground of the truth, there is given that actual contact with ultimate reality which can alone give meaning and purpose to the life of the individual and the race. The Church's power to draw young men into the ministry is bound up with the truth of her message. Let men believe in that, and feel its convincing power and they will gladly offer themselves in the service of the truth that sets men free. The commission still runs. Go, teach. We must make clearer
than we have the exceeding greatness of the truth that is to be taught, the truth about God and His will for man, theology.

For the Trustees,
HUGHELL G. W. FOSBROKE,
Dean of the Seminary.

APPENDIX XVII.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIOGRAPHER

The undersigned begs leave to submit to both Houses of the General Convention the following report covering the past three years.

He has continued to collect and preserve material relating to the history of the American Church and consisting of newspaper cuttings, portraits, books and pamphlets. He is depositing with the Custodian of the Archives over 300 printed obituaries of the clergy dating from 1832 to 1934.

He has completed the Centennial History of Saint Bartholomew's Church in the City of New York and has published several historical articles; in addition he has made a number of historical addresses and preached some historical sermons.

Year by year increases the number of letters seeking information concerning the history of parishes and dioceses, as well as of individuals. These he has answered to the best of his ability. Some duplicates have been presented to the Sterling Library of Yale University where they will be carefully preserved.

During the three years he has continued to edit the Historical Magazine of the Protestant Episcopal Church. The Magazine is now approaching the end of its sixth year.

Respectfully submitted,
E. CLOWES CHORLEY, Historiographer.

APPENDIX XVIII.

TRIENNIAL REPORT OF THE HISTORICAL MAGAZINE OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH

OCTOBER 9, 1937.

The undersigned beg respectfully to submit the following report of the Historical Magazine covering the period since the last General Convention.

They gratefully acknowledge the grant made by the Convention of 1934 and designated for aid in historical research and the publication of the results thereof. The grant has been expended exclusively for these purposes.
During the period under review the Magazine has been published quarterly and is now approaching the end of its sixth annual volume. Four double numbers have been issued as follows:

The Bishop Jackson Kemper Number
The General Theological Seminary Number
The Bishop William White Number
The Church in Ohio Number

They have attracted considerable attention and the William White number has been incorporated in a new and valuable Life of Bishop White, published under the auspices of the Church Historical Society.

From a growing wealth of material we have endeavored to cover as wide a field as possible.

Biographical

Biographical sketches have been printed as follows:


Diocesan History—Pennsylvania, Virginia, Kansas, Colorado, Oregon, California, North Carolina, South Carolina, Delaware.

Missionary Districts—Oklahoma, Idaho, Nevada.

Missions—Cuba, The Spirit of Missions, The Church and the Negroses.

Seminaries—General Theological Seminary, Seabury-Western Seminary.

General Conventions—1785, 1786, 1789, 1835, 1850, 1910.


Under the head of DOCUMENTARY HISTORY we have published:

The Journal of Bishop Ravenscroft, N. Car., 1823.
Letters of Rev. Roger Veits, 1767.
Letters of Rev. Abraham Beach, 1772-1791.

Manuscripts relating to South Carolina, 1722; Maryland, 1774; Delaware, 1774, and Tennessee, 1833.

And other articles, including Reviews, too numerous to mention.

It is our privilege to report that all these articles, most of them involving considerable research, have been contributed without any cost to the Magazine so far as the writers are concerned, and all the editorial work is done on the same basis.

Looking back on the six years of publication we believe that the venture has more than justified itself. We number among the subscribers the principal Libraries in the United States, including such colleges as Har-
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yard, Yale, Columbia, Chicago, and others. Judging from letters received the Magazine has stimulated interest in the history of this Church and has encouraged some of the younger clergy to seriously study the subject.

Even after six years this work is yet in its beginnings. We have in hand material to cover the entire issue for 1938, and well on into 1939. Were funds available, it would be desirable to increase the number of pages each quarter. Your honorable House will be asked to:

1. Increase the triennial grant to $1500 for research purposes.

2. To increase the membership of the Joint Committee from two in each Order to four.

Those who are responsible for the Magazine deeply appreciate the interest which has been manifested. Without that interest publication could not have been continued.

Respectfully submitted,

E. Clowes Chorley,
G. McClaren Brydon,
Editor and Secretary of the Joint Committee.

Edgar L. Pennington,
Walter H. Stowe,
Associate Editors.

APPENDIX XIX.

REPORT OF THE LAYMEN'S LEAGUE OF THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

To the General Convention:

In accordance with a recommendation embodied in the report of the Joint Commission on a National Organization of Laymen of the Church, as made to and adopted by the 1934 Convention at Atlantic City, New Jersey, the Laymen's League submits the following:

The League came into existence at a meeting of the Joint Commission on National Organization of Laymen in Cincinnati, Ohio, on March 8, 1932. Since that time there have been chartered 142 parochial and seven diocesan branches, the latter being the dioceses of Alabama, Fond du Lac, North Carolina, Upper South Carolina, Washington, West Texas and West Virginia. The parochial branches outside of those in the dioceses mentioned are located as follows:
It is a source of considerable regret that greater progress has not been made in the organization work; but it should be borne in mind that in order to have done more would have required a financial outlay in excess of that which was at our command. The circumstances of the League's existence involves the necessity for it to make headway, as a national organization, largely on a basis of dues received from its constituent bodies. The national organization, as a result, has not found itself in possession of funds to allow it to do more than a fractional part of the work which might have been accomplished under different conditions. Only a little has been done, relatively speaking, in the way of making personal contacts with the men of the Church in order to acquaint them with the aims and purposes of the League. Yet in every place where the League has been firmly established, there is known to have resulted directly a revival of interest in all the particulars of Church work open to laymen. This revived interest is manifested in all instances by an increase in attendance, by a closer attention to all the Church's vital endeavors, and to a marked increase in financial support.

We have issued a pamphlet entitled, "Aims and Purposes," which not only demonstrates how easily branches of the League may be organized, but which furnishes an optional outline of work for twenty-two parochial and seven diocesan committees.

We are going forward in the endeavor to harness the manpower of the Church to put it to work doing Church work.

We beg your prayers, your sympathy, and your hearty co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

For the Laymen's League of the Episcopal Church.

EUGENE E. THOMPSON, President.
WARREN KEARNY, Executive Vice President and Secretary.
APPENDIX XIX-A.

REPORT OF THE LITURGICAL COMMISSION

The Liturgical Commission begs to present the following report:

The Commission has held four regular meetings since its report to the Convention of 1934.

The first matter of importance in this report concerns the Trial Lectionary. At the Convention of 1934, the Commission was instructed to prepare and publish a Trial Lectionary for the Church years beginning in Advent 1935 and 1936. This Lectionary was completed and issued. The Commission has asked the Church for comment upon it and has received a very considerable amount of criticism, chiefly favorable. It would, indeed, seem from the comments which have come to members of the Commission, that the Lectionary is meeting with very general approval. It is, however, a very short time in which to test out so important a matter, and the Commission therefore asks authority to continue the issuance of this Lectionary during and up to the years ending December 31, 1940. In a matter of this kind, constant improvements may be made and we are adding to the Resolution of Authorization a clause giving the Commission authority to make such changes as from time to time may seem desirable. At the next General Convention, your Commission will hope to be able to present some definite recommendations in regard to the whole matter of the Lectionary. It would not be proper to close the statement in regard to the Lectionary without expressing the particular debt which we owe to the Bishop of Atlanta, and the Revs. C. E. Hill and B. H. Jones, who have served with him on the Committee.

The next matter of importance is the Book of Offices, which was referred to in our report to the Convention of 1934. The compilation of such book, when it has to pass the approval of members of a widely scattered commission, is by no means easy, and the work has taken longer than we had anticipated. It is, however, now completed, subject to some very light alterations. As stated in our previous report, the Commission has interpreted this request for a Book of Offices as meaning, not a series of Offices such as would be found in the book called "The Kingdom, the Power and the Glory," which was recommended for use at the last Convention, Offices designed for devotional occasions; but rather a Book containing Offices for the many specific purposes which occur in the work of the Bishops and other Clergy: Offices for the Dedication of Buildings of one kind or another, or the Blessing of articles of Church furniture, and the like. The Book will contain, therefore, only matter for such special occasions. It is not one having canonical authority. It would require, for use in a Diocese, the authorization of the Bishop. The Commission hopes that the House of Bishops will be willing to authorize it and make it therefore available without special action on the part of any individual Bishop. A resolution to that effect is appended.

The Commission has to report that it receives a continuous stream of suggestions for the revision of the Prayer Book. These suggestions are being classified as they come in, after careful study by members of the Commission. They are kept, as noted in our last report at the General Theological Seminary, through the courtesy of the Dean, and will be available when the time may come to open again the matter of further
review. Your Commission does not believe that at this time any one of these proposals is of sufficient importance to bring it before Convention. Many of the suggestions are valuable and will undoubtedly be incorporated in any new revision. But no one stands out conspicuously.

The Commission was instructed to investigate and report on the matter of the Foreign Language Prayer Books. The Joint Commission on the Prayer Book in French desired to be continued. They are hopeful that in the near future they may proceed with the publication of the revised book in French, there being need for it especially in Haiti. The Italian books at present in use are adequate to the need. The Bishop of Brazil has seen to the publication of the revised book in Portuguese and the Bishop of Cuba to that of revised book in Spanish. There is no call at present for any revised book in German.

The Commission appends resolutions discharging the Joint Commissions on the Spanish and Italian books.

The Commission regrets to report the resignation from its membership of the Reverend Henry Riley Gummey, distinguished liturgiologist and member of the Commission on Revision throughout its work and of this Commission since its creation. We regret that he has felt compelled to withdraw from the Commission.

For action on above see pages 283 and 343.

APPENDIX XX.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE TO THE GENERAL CONVENTION OF 1937, CINCINNATI, OHIO

Commission on Marriage and Divorce appointed under Resolution of the General Convention of 1934:

RT. REV. HERMAN PAGE, D.D., Chairman
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REV. HOWARD C. ROBBINS, D.D.
REV. REV. VESPER O. WARD
PROFESSOR JOSEPH H. BEALE
MR. ORIGEN S. SEYMOUR
MR. ROLAND S. MORRIS

THE PRESENT CANON

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.

[i.] 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; Provided, that for weighty cause a Minister, upon less than the requisite three days' notice, may solemnize the marriage of persons, one of whom is a member of his own congregation, or is well known to the Minister, but in such a case the Minister shall immediately report in writing his action to the Ecclesiastical Authority.

§ 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.] 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.

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED BY THE COMMISSION

1. Resolved, the House of ........... concurring, that Canon 41, § V. be amended in the sentence before the word Provided to read as follows: “But this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce following the adultery of one of the contracting parties.”

2. Resolved, the House of ........... concurring, that Canon 41, § VI., be amended as follows:

   To change the present 2. by the addition of the word “legal” so that it will read as follows: “Lack of free or legal consent of either party; and

   To change 7. by the addition of the words "or sexual perversion" so that it will read as follows: "Impotence or sexual perversion of either party undisclosed to the other.

3. Resolved, the House of ........... concurring, that Canon 41 be amended by the addition of a new section to read as follows:

   § VIII. 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 Bishop of his or her Diocese for permission to marry another person; and nothing in this Canon shall deprive the Bishop of his ecclesiastical power to permit such re-marriage if, in equity and good conscience, he shall choose so to do. However, before such permission is granted by the Bishop, he shall take legal and, if necessary, other advices, including that of the clergyman of the Parish of which the applicant is a member. He shall also inquire into the character and personality of the parties to the previous and the proposed marriage, and must determine whether the spiritual welfare of the parties thereto, and of society, will be served by the proposed marriage.

Your Commission also offers the following Resolution:
Resolved, the House of ............ concurring, that the Commission on Marriage and Divorce be continued, with power to add to its numbers, and that it be directed to confer with the leaders of other religious bodies in the hope that a move may be made towards uniformity in the attitude towards marriage and divorce.

THE REPORT

IS THE CHURCH LOSING ITS INFLUENCE ON FAMILY LIFE?

One of our Church Weeklies has said that no more important matter is coming before this Convention than that of marriage. This is no exaggerated statement. In his latest book entitled "The Future of Marriage in Western Civilization" Prof. Edward Westermarck has a whole chapter on "The Predicted Disappearance of Marriage". This comes at a time when our best educators are assuring us that those qualities of human character on which civilization must rest are largely determined by the influences which surround a child in the first three years of his life, chiefly those of his father and mother; and social experts are proclaiming that the influences of any fairly decent home are more favorable to the growth of a child than those of any school or institution, no matter how well equipped.

Yet the steady increase of divorce must distress all Christians, who believe that the home is the most basic of all institutions, and who also feel that no home can really fulfill its purpose that is not guided by the Spirit of Christ. Year by year more of us have to face the divorce evil within our own families, or within the circle of our close friends. The worst of the situation, however, from the Christian standpoint, is that the attitude of the Church is increasingly ignored. When the late King Edward abdicated, nothing was more striking than the fact that so many American editorial writers never mentioned the position of the Church.

HOW SHALL THE CHURCH MEET THIS SITUATION?

The difficulty is not so much to state the problem as to solve it. Your Commission would first emphatically express its conviction that the solution of marital problems is to be found in real spiritual and moral education, and not by passing Canons; and the Commission is glad to realize that it has done much to stimulate the Church to give better education for marriage. However, the Canons have a profound relation to educational processes, and more or less condition them; and it is the matter of Canons with which this discussion is concerned. Almost every one agrees that the present Canon is inadequate, but there is a wide difference of opinion as to the course that should be followed.

First, there are those who are always slow to make changes. They see difficulties and dangers and therefore vote to leave things as they are. They usually take an amazingly long time to adopt minor changes in our Canons, such as giving a vote to a Suffragan Bishop. One wonders how long they will take to adopt some rational plan of Clergy Placement. These will vote to leave the Canon as it is.

Second, there are those who would stiffen the present Canon by omitting the exception in favor of adultery and never allow re-marriage, or the blessing of the marriage of divorced persons by a clergyman of the Church. The objection to this method is that it has failed. Only fifty years ago it was practically the attitude of our whole western civilization. Even where divorce and re-marriage were recognized by law they were
looked upon with horror. The English Church and some of its Branches have uncompromisingly held this position—the only so-called Catholic Church to do so. Yet its leading layman has recently married a twice divorced woman and Parliament has been forced by public opinion to modify the law which allowed divorce and re-marriage only for adultery.

Third, there are those who would extend the principle of annulment as is done in the Eastern Orthodox Churches and in the Church of Rome. Members of this Convention are generally familiar with the extent to which annulment is used. Marriage is first declared indissoluble and then in many cases pronounced null and void. Of course there are cases where the marriage has never been consummated personally, legally, or religiously; but in many others annulment is declared where

(a) persons have married themselves
(b) they have been married by the State
(c) and they have been married by Priest or Minister with the clear religious intention of one or both parties.

To most Anglicans and Protestants this seems nothing but divorce under another name. In either case it "puts asunder" those whom, to all appearance and understanding "God hath joined together".

Another difficulty with annulment is that our studies in education and psychology make it clear that the character attributes which wreck marriage have been formed long before marriage; and it will be increasingly difficult to lay down Canon laws that will apply to all reasonable grounds for annulment on the basis of "cause arising before marriage".

Fourth, Many, like Bishop McDowell and Dr. Robbins, wish to separate the civil and religious ceremonies, as in many European countries. It is the missionary aspect of this plan that needs much careful consideration. Every clergyman knows that many people with apparently little interest in religion who come to him for marriage are thereby tied more closely to the Church, and later seek membership for themselves and their children.

Fifth, there are those who believe that the wisest thing to do is to modify our present Canon so that it will be more workable in difficult cases, and bring to many good men and women that spiritual help and power which we believe it is the function of the Church to give. Such is the opinion of your Commission.

**The Proposal of Your Commission**

The names of the members of this Commission are printed in this report. They represent many shades of opinion within the Church. We have had the help and advice of all who would give it. The attendance at meetings has been surprisingly large. At the last meeting, which adopted the resolutions printed in this report, 10 of the 16 members were present. Those not present were Bishop McDowell, Bishop Matthews, Bishop Davis, Dr. Grant, Dr. Easton, and Prof. Beale. The resolutions were passed by a unanimous vote of those present, with the exception of Dr. Robbins. Since the meeting Bishop Davis and Dr. Grant have written expressing their approval of the proposed changes in the Canon. Bishop McDowell has published an article of disapproval. At this meeting the Chairman was asked to write this report.

Your Commission has given much attention to the subject of Publicity; and at its request a carefully prepared pamphlet edited and partly
written by Dean Robbins has been sent to every member of the Convention. During the triennium we have lost through death the valuable services of the Hon. George W. Wickersham. At our last meeting we accepted with regret the resignation of Bishop McDowell, to take effect in October. Whenever he was able to attend meetings his advice was invaluable.

The first action taken by the Commission was to emphasize the fact that it is defending the present Canon. Far from suggesting any steps which would weaken the Church's standard on marriage we believe we are doing something to strengthen it. Because we believe that on the whole it approximately represents the mind of the Church so far as this Convention is likely to agree on legislation, we do not suggest any changes except such as are in line with the accepted principles of the Canon.

*A minor change which they suggest is an amendment to Section V in the sentence just before the *proviso*. This sentence now reads: "But this Canon shall not be held to apply to an innocent party in a divorce for adultery." They would have it read, "But this Canon shall not be held to apply to the innocent party in a divorce following the adultery of one of the contracting parties."

Another minor change would be in § VI., adding to the grounds of annulment lack of legal consent, and also sexual perversion. There has been much demand for this change. When a divorce has been granted for cruelty or some ground other than adultery, and one of the parties re-marries, our present Canon presumes that the second marriage constitutes adultery. Therefore, in accordance with the spirit of the Canon, the innocent party to the divorce should become automatically free.

The major change proposed is a new § VIII. This addition would extend the present power of the Bishop to deal with special marital problems. Section V of the Canon has long made him the judge in regard to adultery; and the whole Canon as revised at Denver made him a Court to adjust all matters coming under the Canon, provided a Court has not been established by Diocesan Canon. It will also be noted that in addition to taking legal advice the Bishop is expected to take the advice of the clergyman who assumes responsibility for a marriage.

**The Teaching of Christ About Marriage**

It is repeatedly said that neither an individual Bishop nor the Church itself has the power to take any action contrary to Christ's Teaching. Many leaders in the Church assert without hesitation that the teaching of Christ in this matter is perfectly clear: viz., that the re-marriage of any divorced person constitutes adultery and that such re-marriage sanctions and condones a definite sin.

(1) The obvious reply is that we should not be discussing this matter at all if Christ had made his mind perfectly clear.

(2) The pamphlet edited by Dr. Robbins shows that different Churches, the Eastern Orthodox Church, the Roman Church, our own Church and various Protestant Churches, have interpreted His mind in different ways.

(3) The opinion of the leading scholars is contrary to the above views. To quote from Dr. Robbins' pamphlet, "Professor Burton Scott Easton (of the General Theological Seminary) in his commentary on St. Luke

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takes the ground that Jesus is not laying down a principle of civil law for ordinary society, but stating how the righteous should act." Later Dr. Robbins says "... consequently the directions about divorce in Christ's teachings are as immediately personal as the directions about turning the other cheek. Christ was not discussing what is the best law for a state, or even a Church. He was telling conscientious individuals how to act." Dr. Frederick C. Grant of the Seabury-Western Theological Seminary writes: "Bishop Gore clung steadfastly all his life to the conviction that in this one sole instance Jesus was legislating—all the rest of his teaching was prophetic. But that would be a curious situation: Christ laying down but one single law for his followers, and that a law concerning divorce and re-marriage. No scholar at the present time, so far as I am aware, shares this view."

There are certain other teachings on which there is unanimity among all Christians:

1. They agree that He clearly taught that the standard and ideal of marriage which God wishes for His children is the life-long union of one man and one woman.
2. They agree that He looks on divorce as a sin—like all other sins. It always registers failure—the equivalent of the Hebrew and Greek word for sin.
3. They agree He taught that divorce is caused by hardness of heart—which finds expression in contempt, vituperation, anger, lust, dishonesty, selfishness and neglect,—sins which cause endless misery in all human relationships, including marriage.
4. They agree that the outstanding emphasis in His teaching was on the need and power of love, mercy, and above all of forgiveness. In connection with marriage and divorce nothing could be more pertinent than the comment with which He closed the parable of the Lost Sheep—"I say unto you, that likewise joy shall be in heaven over one sinner that repenteth, more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance." This teaching is what causes many good Christians sore perplexity. They know that Christ came into the world to forgive sinners but they nowhere find that He withheld forgiveness alone from those who committed adultery or from the divorced who were re-married.

**Catholic Practice and Mercy**

It is frequently said that hard cases make bad law. Granting that this statement holds good for the civil law every Christian knows that the glory of Christianity lies in dealing with hard cases,—that Christ came to seek and save that which is lost—including those who are lost in the relationship of marriage. The function of the Church is not to maintain the legal standards of society, but rather to fill them with the loving spirit of Christ. The Church has always been haunted and animated by Christ's spirit of mercy. Even St. Paul had to make allowances. In I Cor. 7.15 he writes: "But if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or a sister is not bound in such cases."

The clause in St. Matthew's Gospel making an exception of adultery in the matter of re-marriage indicates a problem in the early Church, because the manuscripts containing this exception are very ancient. The Eastern Orthodox and Roman Churches felt obliged to make allowance for difficult cases; and our own Church has never felt justified in follow-
ing the logic of its Canon and ex-communicating those who seek her ministrations and sacraments.

**How Would Christ Act Today?**

The question that the Church has to answer is—What would Christ do with the many disturbing marital problems of today?

_First_, How would He deal with people reared outside the Church and who know nothing of its laws? Would they be amenable to a discipline of which they are ignorant?

_Second_, How would He treat those inside the Church who are un instructed and ignorant as to its laws and discipline? The cry goes up on every side that most of our communicants and even our vestrymen are distressingly ignorant of everything pertaining to the Church's life and work. Ignorance, however, is not the worst feature. The fact is the Church is doing an exceedingly poor job in training her children in the Christian qualities of self-control of all passions, honesty, loving-kindness and forgiveness,—all of which are basic in the achievement of a successful marriage as of any other human relationship.

_Third_, What would Christ do with people trained in the Church who have made failures of their marriages? Would He preach to them a doctrine of forgiveness which means the doctrine of a fresh start in life? Or would he condemn all divorced persons to a life of celibacy if they would remain in communion with her?

**Who Shall Interpret the Mind of Christ?**

If the mind of Christ in this matter of marriage and divorce must be interpreted, to whom shall fall the responsibility for their interpretation? Obviously to the Church itself. To quote from Bishop Gore in his book entitled "The Philosophy of a Good Life", page 176, "In one important matter, the matter of marriage, He (Christ) appears to have laid down an explicit law, as St. Paul, St. Mark and St. Luke report; but in the ordinary sense He is not a legislator ... He proposed, it appeared, to inspire His Church (in a most realistic sense) with His spirit; and to leave it with the Church to deal with issues as they should arise with the assistance of this divine Paraclete; the agent or representative of God." Bishop Gore here states the traditional catholic conception of the Church. Christ did not write a book. He lived a life. He committed His work to His disciples leaving it to them to interpret Him to the world. Therefore, the Church had to interpret the doctrine of the Master. The Church had to determine what books were to be placed in the Bible. The Church had to determine His teachings in regard to the Sacrament. Christ said nothing about economic conditions, slavery, war or polygamy. He left it to His Church to relate His Gospel to all the affairs of life; and, as a matter of fact, not only the so-called Catholic Churches but also the Protestant Churches have assumed the right and the responsibility of determining the mind of the Master in relation to all the problems of life.

**Who Shall Judge Marital Cases?**

In the many difficult problems of divorce and marriage, to whom shall the Church commit the power of judgment? In this Church we hesitate to give much authority to anyone. Bishops are obviously held untrustworthy, not only by clergy and laity but, as the discussion of this pro-
posed amendment has shown, even by one another. There are many members of this Convention who are quite dubious about giving much authority to the Presiding Bishop, although everyone is willing to give him heavy responsibilities. We have a National Council most democratically elected, but throughout the Church we find the gravest doubt in regard to its wisdom; and Commissions are appointed to evaluate its work. But Commissions also are highly untrustworthy, as is evident from much of the discussion on the report of this Commission. In Diocesan affairs we dislike to give much real authority to Bishops, Standing Committees, or Executive Councils. However, if there is going to be judgment of any sort we must delegate it to someone; and in this matter of Marriage and Divorce it can be given to one of three groups:

(a) Duly elected Courts.
(b) To the clergy.
(c) To the Bishops.

An obvious procedure seems to establish Diocesan Courts; and even Provincial Courts have been advocated. The difficulty with a Court is two-fold:

First, it is unwieldy. A case takes the time of many busy men, who are relatively untrained in dealing with marital matters. A Court was created in the Diocese of Michigan but it was so hard to get it to function that the Convention finally decided to leave matters of marriage in the hands of the Bishop unless people wanted to apply to the Court.

Second, Courts are too impersonal. The Hon. Roland S. Morris, long Chancellor of the Diocese of Pennsylvania, is insistent that marital cases need the most personal kind of treatment. He finds that people are ready to talk quite frankly when he talks with them in a personal and fatherly fashion. Before a court of several persons their attitude would be anything but confidential. Experience increasingly proves that the intimate problems of marital life must be dealt with in personal fashion.

Many believe that the matter of judgment should be left with the individual clergyman. Normally he knows conditions and the people better than anyone else. Our proposed Canon indicates that the Bishop should turn to the clergyman for advice; and in the opinion of the writer it might be well if this section of the Canon were made mandatory. However, to allow every clergyman to make decisions would be far more dangerous than to give the power to the Bishop. Indeed, most clergymen would probably wish to have the responsibility shared with the Bishop.

Your Commission believes that the case for the Bishops is a strong one. They are the traditional representatives of the Church, and in theory at least they administer discipline. Under our present Canon this power is theirs. Moreover, Bishops are picked and experienced men. They are democratically elected and are supposed to represent the best leadership in the Church. If they are not competent the failure is that of democracy itself. But generally they are able men of large experience in parish life, who are daily gaining in wisdom through the responsibilities of the Episcopate, which involve the constant exercise of judgment. At the meeting of our Commission the Chairman asked the exceedingly able and experienced lawyers present how they thought the judicial ability of our Bishops compared with that of civil judges who deal with marital cases; and they promptly and unanimously agreed that on the average it would be far better. Some Bishops would doubtless make poor judges, but on the whole there is every reason to believe that they can be trusted not
only for their wisdom, but also because they have sworn to maintain
the standards of the Church of Christ, and finally because they are
charged to dispense discipline with mercy.

It is said that to give this power to all Diocesan Bishops would lead
to hopeless confusion. Our experience with the civil law, however,
is to the contrary. Most of the gains that have been made in social and legal
procedure have been possible because a State here and there has been
ready to take a forward step. One instance of this is the requirement
that several days must elapse between the application for a marriage
license and its issuance. It would never have been possible to get such
a law through Congress, unless first tried by different States. There has
been no greater step in legal administration than in our Juvenile Courts.
This is because such States as Colorado and Illinois first made experi­
ments. The same is true of Courts of Domestic Relations. They were
instituted here and there. Unless various States had passed Child Labor
Laws we should have had to wait indefinitely for Congress to act.

THE CHURCH’S STANDARD MUST BE MAINTAINED

But many will say, the Church must maintain Christ’s standard of
marriage. There can be no difference in opinion about this, but there is
a difference of opinion as to how far punitive methods are effective in the
Church. They are clearly essential in the State. There would be few
who would question the need of a police force, prisons and various definite
punitive methods. But most Christians believe that the power of the
Church lies in the moral realm and that it fulfills its real function by
exerting Christian influences wherever it can find an opportunity. The
power of ex-communication is rarely exercised.

Many feel that lax laws—so-called—are bound to make for the increase
of divorce; but Prof. Westermarck writes as follows: * "It is a mistake
to believe the rates of divorce are proportionate to the facility with which
divorce can be obtained according to law". He then goes on to show that
there is little or no evidence to the effect that increasing the number of
grounds of divorce increases the divorce rate.

Moreover, in the civil law itself, there is a steady and increasing move­
ment from the punitive attitude to the remedial. Surely no one believes
that the work of Juvenile Courts and Courts of Domestic Relations has
attended to the breakdown of the law. It is generally accepted that they
make for the improvement and up-building of law observance. In these
courts the guilt of the persons concerned is usually taken for granted, and
the emphasis is entirely placed on methods by which people can be
rehabilitated and redeemed. The Judge stands in the rôle of a fatherly
advisor. He is assisted by highly trained men and women who co-operate
in trying to deal with children or adults in a friendly way. The work of
these Courts is based on the use of love, which modern knowledge makes
clear is the only force capable of redeeming human beings, both young
and old. In this movement in our civil law from the punitive to the
remedial we Christians surely believe we see the influence of our Master.
Does it not seem desirable therefore that this Church should try to bring
its marriage law more in line with what so many Christians feel is the
mind of Christ?—more in line with the administration of the civil law
and with the practice of the other so-called Catholic Churches. Indeed,
it would seem that this Convention has an opportunity to lead the Church

of Christ a step forward in dealing with the serious problems of marriage
and divorce.

A MINORITY REPORT

Dr. Howard C. Robbins objected to the proposed section VIII. (a) on
Scriptural grounds, as tending to weaken the witness of the Church to
the Christian ideal of marriage, (b) on constitutional grounds, as giving
Bishops ecclesiastical power to set aside at their discretion canonical
requirements defined by General Convention. He offered as a minority
report that the section be introduced by the qualification "within the
limitations of this Canon".

HERMAN PAGE,
Chairman.

For action on above see page 288.

APPENDIX XXI.

JOINT COMMISSION TO CONSIDER AND EVALUATE THE
ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL COUNCIL

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THE RIGHT REV. JOHN C. WARD, D.D.

THE REV. HOWARD C. ROBBINS, D.D. (N. Y.)
THE REV. JOHN GASS, D.D. (N. Y.)

H. C. THEOPOLOD (Minn.)
JAMES H. FERRIS (Colo.)
THOMAS E. ROBERTSON (Washington, D. C.)

Your Joint Commission held a meeting with the Joint Committee on
Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop in New York on September 9,
1937. All the members of the Commission were present except Mr.
Theoepold of Minnesota. The two Commissions were unanimous in the
support of the decisions arrived at by the two Commissions.

The Commission believes that the National Council is a more com-
petent body to determine its own internal arrangements than is such a
large group as General Convention, which is not cognizant of details
involved in the work of the National Council.

We believe that a personality and not a committee should have the
leadership in the Church's life, and consequently that the Presiding Bishop
should be the real Executive of the work of the Church in its missionary,
religious, educational and social service departments.

In response to a request for greater democratization in the election
of members of the National Council, the Commission makes a suggestion
which in its judgment will give a freer choice in the selection of its
members.

1. The Commission believes that the National Council, as an agent
of the Executive as well as the legislative arm of the General Convention,
should be directly under the supervision of the Presiding Bishop.
2. We believe that the Presiding Bishop should be re-established as President of the National Council, and that he should be relieved of all responsibility in his diocese and be provided with facilities to carry on his office; and, further, that he should be elected for life with a specified age of retirement.

3. The Commission feels that the internal organization of the National Council be left to the discretion of that body.

4. The Commission suggests that the Committee of General Convention on Nominations for members of the National Council shall submit twice the number of names designated for each order; that the House of Bishops shall elect by plurality the Bishops, and the House of Clerical and Lay Deputies shall elect by plurality the presbyters and the laymen, each to be subject to confirmation by the other House.

5. This Commission feels that the Field Department is indispensable to the work of the Church and recommends it be strengthened by the selection of an adequate salary to provide for a head of that Department.

6. The Commission feels that the crying need of our Church is that of educating our people in the matter of missionary knowledge, for we believe that the Church will respond when the need and urgency of our missionary work is imparted to our people.

The Commission offers the following amendment to Canon 60 in order to carry out its recommendations:

**Canon 60**

*Of the Presiding Bishop and the National Council*

§ I. The Presiding Bishop and the National Council as hereinafter constituted, shall have charge of the unification, development and prosecution of the Missionary, Educational, and Social work of the Church, of which work the Presiding Bishop shall be the executive and administrative head.

§ II. (As is.)

§ III. The Presiding Bishop shall be *ex officio* the President, and the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall be *ex officio* the Treasurer of the Council. The additional officers, agents and employees of the Presiding Bishop and the Council shall be such and shall perform such duties as the Presiding Bishop and the Council may, from time to time, designate.

(Omit IV. and V. entirely.)

§ IV. (Copy present VI. (i), omitting from line 5 the words "the Chairman of the Council, or by".

(ii.) (As now.)

§ V. (Copy present VII.)

§ VI. (Copy present VIII.)

§ VII. (Copy present IX., except in (i), last line, insert after the—"Presiding Bishop and the").

§ VIII. (Copy present X.)

§ IX. (Copy present XI.)

§ X. (Copy present XII.)

For action on above see page 314.

Irving P. Johnson,

Chairman.
REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON NON-COMBATANT WAR SERVICE

The Joint Commission on Non-Combatant War Service, as provided by action of General Convention 1934, submits the following report:

In accordance with the resolution, the following persons accepted appointment as members of the Joint Commission: The Bishop of Eastern Oregon, chairman; the Bishops of Albany, California, Florida, North Texas and Southern Ohio; the Rev. Messrs. Walter B. Capers, Arthur B. Kinsolving, 2nd, Addison E. Knickerbocker, Howard C. Robbins and Beverly D. Tucker, Jr.; and Messrs. Robert W. B. Elliott, Coleman Jennings, Major General William C. Rivers and Charles P. Taft. The Commission organized with Bishop Remington, chairman, and Dr. Robbins, secretary.

The Commission has met twice and the Secretary and Chairman have carried on a rather large correspondence and have made investigation and held interviews and conferences with Church officials of other Christian bodies, and with members of Congress, who might be interested in the legislation we desired.

We requested Mr. Robert W. B. Elliott, Chancellor of the Diocese of New York and a member of the Commission to draft a bill embodying the substance of our resolution. This was done as follows:

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled:

That the National Council, Presbytery, classis, synod, annual conference or other ecclesiastical governing body or agency of any well recognized religious sect or organization in the United States of America be authorized to establish at its national office a registry of those of its members in good standing whose religious principles forbid them to participate in combatant service in time of war, but who are willing to engage in non-combatant service involving danger to life and limb. In the case of the enactment of any law subjecting citizens to draft for service in war, persons so registered shall be drafted only for non-combatant service which may involve danger to life and limb and shall be exempt from service in the combatant forces of the United States of America.

The President is authorized to declare what shall be deemed to be non-combatant service of the character hereinabove described. Nothing herein contained shall deprive any draft board or other agency having like functions from inquiring into the good faith of any person registered as hereinabove set forth.

Section 2. That the Secretary of War shall prescribe such regulations as may be necessary to carry this act into effect. Any national religious body as hereinabove described which desires to establish such a registry shall submit an application therefor to the Secretary of War for his approval as complying with the terms of this act.

Section 3. This act shall take effect immediately.

This draft had the approval in writing of the majority of the Commission and our Secretary Dr. Robbins was asked to interview the Chair-
of the Senate Military Affairs Committee with regard to the matter. On May 7, 1937, a hearing was granted at a meeting of the Senate Military Affairs Committee. The committee decided that the questions involved so far as legislation is concerned, should not be raised in time of peace, but should await the actual arrival of war. There the work of your Commission has come to an impasse for the present.

For the information of the General Convention and in order that there may be some record of what has been done in other countries and in other Churches with reference to Non-Combatant War Service, we are including in this report a statement made by our secretary, Dr. Howard Robbins.

There is no provision of law now in force which covers the matter of conscientious objection to military service. The so-called Defense Act of 1920 provides only for the organization of the regular army, the National Guard and the organized reserves. The Selective Service Act of 1917 which, of course, is not now in effect, contained "And nothing in this act contained shall be construed to require or compel any person to serve in any of the forces herein provided for who is found to be a member of any well-recognized religious sect or organization at present organized and existing and whose existing creed or principles forbid its members to participate in war in any form and whose religious convictions are against war or participation therein in accordance with the creed or principles of said religious organizations, but no person so exempted shall be exempted from service in any capacity that the President shall declare to be non-combatant."

In the administration of the Selective Service Act during the war, the military authorities went beyond the language of the above exemption and accorded this exemption to all persons who were found to be sincere conscientious objectors. The determination of this question was delegated to a board of inquiry of three men who visited the several camps and interviewed the men claiming conscientious objection who had been segregated. The types of service proclaimed by the President to be non-combatant included certain non-military activities such as work in industry, work in agriculture and service with the civilian relief and reconstruction work of the American Friends Service Committee.

Seven countries with compulsory military service (Denmark, Finland, Netherlands, Norway, Paraguay, Sweden and the U. S. S. R.) have established special legislation with regard to conscientious objectors. This legislation enables all or some of these objectors with moral, philosophic or religious motives to benefit from the special system. It may also be noted that in Canada the law exempts conscientious objectors from service; that in Great Britain, when conscription was established in England February 10, 1916, certain conditions were made concerning conscientious objectors; and that in Switzerland since 1921 the decision of the Federal Military Department has contained prescriptions to the effect that young men who, on grounds of religious conviction, declare that they cannot serve with troops bearing arms are to be assigned to medical service.

The Northern Baptists in their convention of 1934 voted to "ask our government, federal and state, to grant all conscientious objectors the same right of conscience as now enjoyed by the Society of Friends." The 1934 General Council of Congregational and Christian Churches voted to "affirm our conviction in the right of all students to be conscientious objectors on religious or ethical grounds." The Disciples of Christ in convention resolved to "file with the proper authorities of the government
of the United States of America a statement of fact that there are within
the membership of the Churches of Christ individuals who, as conscien-
tious followers of Jesus, cannot take active part as combatants in any
military warfare, and request that these individuals be granted complete
exemption from military service on the basis of this conviction of Christian
faith." The Evangelical Synod of North America through its General
Conference resolved to petition the government of the United States to
"grant to members of the Evangelical Synod of North America who may
be conscientious objectors to war, the same exemption from military
service as has long been granted to members of the Society of Friends
and other similar religious organizations." The Presbyterian Church of
the U. S. A. took similar action at its General Assembly in 1934. The
American Unitarian Association by a resolution adopted at its Annual
Meeting in May, 1936, was authorized to "Petition the proper govern­
mental authorities to grant to Unitarian conscientious objectors the same
status as is granted to the members of the Society of Friends and other
religious bodies under the Selective Service Act of May 18, 1917."

Four years ago the Universalist General Convention affirmed its con­
viction that "fellowship in this convention shall confer the right to interpret
the general purpose and spirit of the Universalist faith as sanctioning
refusal of all forms of military service if such refusal be based on consci­
tentious grounds." And in 1936 the Central Conference of American Rabbis
reaffirmed "its conviction that conscientious objection to military service is
in accordance with the highest interpretation of Judaism, and therefore,
petitions the government of the United States to grant to Jewish religious
conscientious objectors to war the same exemption from Military service
as has long been granted to members of the Society of Friends and similar
religious organizations."

In these allusions to the Society of Friends it should be remembered
that in the World War all conscientious objectors were treated legally
alike in practice and that such status as Friends have is largely extra-legal,
and due to recognition of their insistence on a point which they feel to
be essential.

It would appear from the foregoing that the legislation asked of the
Congress of the United States by the General Convention of the Protestant
Episcopal Church is strictly in accordance with American tradition and
precedent, that it is already in force in a number of democratic countries,
that it is earnestly desired by a number of great and influential denomina­
tions of religious people in this country whose concurrent action may well
be taken as an accurate index to present religious thought, and that the
restriction of the exemption from military service to those who are "pre­
pared to risk their lives in non-combatant service" sufficiently acknowl­
edges the claims of the state upon the service of its citizens and protects
it from malingerers. As for absolute pacifists, who decline non-combatant
service, the members of the joint commission regard their case as outside
the scope of the duties with which they have been charged by General
Convention.

The Commission presents the following resolution:

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Commission be
continued with instruction to press for the enactment of legislation com­
mited to it by the General Convention of 1934.

For action on the above see page 334.
APPENDIX XXIII.

REPORT OF THE
CUSTODIAN OF THE STANDARD
BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER
TO THE
GENERAL CONVENTION OF THE
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.
TO ASSEMBLE OCTOBER 6, 1937, AT CINCINNATI, OHIO

The Custodian begs leave to report that:

1. Publishers of Prayer Books have now corrected, to the best of his belief, such typographical errors as have previously appeared in certain Prayer Books, including the two typographical errors discovered in the Standard itself, which the Custodian, as ordered by Convention, has corrected in the margin of that Book. And furthermore, that they have carried through to the end of our Prayer Books the uniform pagination ordered by Convention.

In this connection, it is worthy of note that Oxford University Press is about to issue a 48 mo. Prayer Book, in which there is practically, though not exactly, uniform pagination,—sufficient in any case for purposes of cross reference. Books of this size have previously had two columns to a page. This book is paged as are other Prayer Books, and carries a beautiful and surprisingly legible type.

2. In regard to the proposed Catalogue of the so-called Custodian's Library, the collection of more than 600 books, now housed at 281 Fourth Avenue, New York, and containing copies of our Prayer Book as they have appeared from the beginning to date,—the Custodian can, at this time, merely report progress. There have been unforeseen difficulties in this matter; but there is good hope of a speedy completion of the work.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. SUTER, Custodian.

APPENDIX XXIV.

JOINT COMMITTEE ON STATUS AND WORK OF THE PRESIDING BISHOP, TO STUDY ALL QUESTIONS RELATING TO THAT SUBJECT AND REPORT TO THE CONVENTION OF 1937

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THE RIGHT REV. HERMAN PAGE, D.D.
THE RIGHT REV. FRANK E. WILSON, D.D.
THE RIGHT REV. HENRY J. MIKELL, D.D.

THE REV. S. C. HUGHES (R. I.)
THE REV. H. H. BARBER (Ga.)

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J. M. TAYLOR (Va.)
SAMUEL THORNE (N. Y.)
In its report to the General Convention of 1934, the Committee contented itself with a very simple setting-forth of certain objectives which, it was felt, should be before Convention and the Church at Large, in connection with any consideration of the Status and Work of the Presiding Bishop.

The only one of these objectives which was really discussed, and in regard to which any action was taken by that Convention, was the necessity of giving the Presiding Bishop relief from the details of administrative duty in connection with his Presidency of the National Council.

The original recommendation of this Committee in regard to this matter was not adopted by the Convention, but a substitute, originating elsewhere, was passed. In addition, a committee was set up on the Evaluation of the National Council. Further, the National Council appointed a committee from its own membership to consider the reorganization of its administration.

It is increasingly evident that the plan embodied in present Canon 60 is not working well. We are therefore recommending the substitution of the language of Canon 59, Sec. I. (i) of the Canons of 1931 for the language of the present Canon 60 Sec. I. (i) and that the whole of Canon 60 be revised accordingly. In this recommendation the Committee on Evaluation of the National Council agrees with us.

The next objective discussed was the permanency of the office of Presiding Bishop. This would mean his election for life, or, preferably, until a determined age of retirement, instead of his election as at present for a term of six years.

This was recommended, not alone for the sake of the dignity of the office, but to assure the Church of continuity of service. The Committee feels that the Church could be thus assured of a consistency in attitude and opinion over a period of years.

In order to obtain this objective, it would not be necessary to amend the Constitution, but only to amend Canon 17, Section 11, substituting the words, "until the first day of January, succeeding that General Convention which follows his attainment of the age of seventy years" for the present wording. A resolution recommending such an amendment, for reference to the Committee on Canons, is attached to, and forms a part of this report.

The next objective was the relief of the Presiding Bishop from the details of diocesan administrative duty.

Although the wording of the Constitution would permit the election to this office of any Bishop of this Church, ordinarily and especially in view of the Presiding Bishop's relationships with other National Churches, the choice would fall upon the Bishop of a diocese or missionary district. Our experience thus far has compelled us to face the fact that we have no right to ask any man to carry this double burden.

Two ways are open to us. One method would be to require the diocese from which the Presiding Bishop is chosen, to elect at once a Bishop Coadjutor to whom the Presiding Bishop-elect should be required to delegate a jurisdiction which would relieve him of all but nominal duties in his diocese.

The other method would be the creation of a See for the Presiding Bishop. This could be accomplished either by entering into a concordat with some existing diocese, whereby the right of that diocese to choose its
own bishop might be yielded to General Convention; or, by the ceding to General Convention by some existing diocese of a small portion of its territory, which could be erected as a separate diocese over which the Presiding Bishop would have jurisdiction.

However, it does not seem necessary to discuss this question of a See for the Presiding Bishop except in outline in this report. Until some diocese has, through its Bishop and Convention, plainly stated its willingness to enter into such a concordat, or make such a cession of territory, it is hardly competent for this Committee to discuss details of such a plan.

It might not be beyond the Committee's province, however, to say that of all the suggestions that have been made regarding such a See for the Presiding Bishop, that which proposes seeking a concordat with the Diocese of Washington seems to be not only the best, but also that which, in the end will carry the most weight, both in this country and in other lands.

In view of the fact that it might, however, take quite a length of time to think through and to perfect the arrangements for such a See for the Presiding Bishop, this Committee stands ready, if the Convention desires it, to recommend such changes in Canon 17 as will give temporary relief for a Presiding Bishop-elect from the burden of diocesan administration.

It will be noted that the Committee has not concerned itself about nor recommended any change in the title of the office. This position has been taken deliberately. There is no fear of Archbishops as such, nor is there any timidity about opposition to the whole plan, arising from possible dislike of such a title. The title Presiding Bishop has been consecrated for us by the men who have held it. It is part of our national Church life and experience. Moreover, the Presiding Bishop, by virtue of the duties which he now performs, is Primate and Metropolitan whatever title he holds. It might be worth our while to pass a resolution in General Convention that whenever the title is printed in official documents these words, "Primate and Metropolitan", should follow such title, but we make no recommendation.

The Committee is aware that there are those who wish clearer definition in the Constitution of the duties and office of the Presiding Bishop. The Committee doubts the advisability of defining too clearly such duties in a Constitution, which deals with principles rather than with details. At the last General Convention an attempt was made to do this, but the result was not satisfactory and did not commend itself to General Convention. Granted an office of this sort, the men chosen for it will themselves create its traditions.

In reply to those who question the advisability of making any changes at all, we would say that this Church needs, increasingly, a visible symbol of its national unity. Provinces may in the future be given additional powers by General Convention. We may seek to develop a more intelligent policy of Church extension by paying more heed to local needs as shown to us by those who really know them. But we shall need all the more a growing sense of our national responsibility for the work as a whole. No committee like the National Council, nor any large assemblage like the General Convention—representative in a way as they are—can ever be as truly symbolic as an individual leader. This accords with the facts of human nature and with the central truth of the Christian Religion—the Incarnation of the Son of God.
This is the Committee's reason for recommending such changes as we have. In case the General Convention decides to adopt the plan of a See for the Presiding Bishop, we feel that another Commission should be appointed to consider and report, and that this Committee, which has served for six years, should be discharged.

The Committee met in New York on September 9, 1937, with the Joint Commission to Evaluate the Activities of the National Council. All members of the Committee were present except the Rev. Mr. Barber and Mr. Taylor. The two Commissions were unanimous in the support of the decisions arrived at by the two Commissions. The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, (House of Bishops, House of Deputies) concurring, that Canon 17, Section II., be amended by substituting after the word "office" in the third line, and for what follows up to the period in the fifth line, the following: "until the first day of January succeeding the General Convention which follows his attainment of the age of seventy years."

Resolved, (House of Bishops, House of Deputies) concurring, that a new section be added to Canon 17, to be numbered III., and the succeeding sections to be renumbered accordingly:

"When a diocesan bishop is elected Presiding Bishop, it shall be the duty of the diocese of which he is Bishop to elect a Bishop-Coadjutor forthwith. It shall be the duty of the Presiding Bishop to assign to the Bishop-Coadjutor, when elected and consecrated, such jurisdiction as will relieve the Presiding Bishop of all duties in the diocese which will necessitate his presence therein."

Resolved, (House of Bishops, House of Deputies) concurring, that a commission consisting of three Bishops, three Presbyters and three Laymen, be appointed to discuss the matter of a See for the Presiding Bishop, with the authorities of the Diocese of Washington; that this commission be authorized to enter into necessary preliminary negotiations looking toward that end, and requested to report to the next General Convention.

That it be recommended that old Canon 59, Section I., paragraph 1, be substituted for present Canon 60, Section I., paragraph 1, to read as follows:

"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."

Note: Canon 13, Section II., provides that when a Bishop of a Diocese "shall have been elected Presiding Bishop of this Church a Bishop Coadjutor may be elected by the aforesaid Diocese," etc.

FRANK A. McELWAIN,
Chairman.

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APPENDIX XXV.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON PROVINCES—1937

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL AND THE PROVINCES

As directed by the last General Convention the Joint Committee on Provinces conferred with representatives of the National Council on the matter of the relation of the National Council and its Departments to the Provinces and as to how the Provinces might be made "more effective agencies for the furthering of the Program of the Church."

The conference confirmed the opinion already expressed by the Joint Committee in reports to past General Conventions that much of the work which has been carried on by the Departments of the National Council could be more effectively and economically handled by the Provinces were the Provinces given sufficient resources and support to undertake such work. It is this lack of adequate support which has prevented the National Council from using the Provinces in a larger way in the promotion of the Program of the Church.

This conference between the National Council and the Joint Committee was held in the fall of 1935. A year later came the proposal by the National Council that there be a Field Secretary of the National Council in each Province, living in the Province, his support to be shared by the National Council and the Province.

This was in line with a recommendation made several years ago by the Synod of the First Province that the national field secretaries live in the Provinces and not in New York. In none of the Provinces except the First was this proposed change approved, chiefly because of the added expense to the Province in the partial support of such a field worker. The First Province, however, having already an executive secretary giving his whole time to the work of the Province, offered part of the time of its secretary for field work of the National Council and even went further in offering to bear the whole expense for the year 1937 in view of the continued financial difficulties confronting the National Council. This offer was accepted by the National Council. We call attention to this action by the First Province because it is an illustration of the general recommendations of your Committee.

Other examples of present or possible co-operation might be taken from the work of the Departments of Religious Education and Social Service. Both of these cover fields where the Church is handicapped by over centralization and where especially we believe the Province might function helpfully. In regard to Religious Education, most of the Provinces are now functioning and their work would in our judgment be made more efficient if the Province were given final authority and provided with sufficient funds to maintain an active secretary. This is especially true in the field of college work.

A tentative report of the Joint Committee was presented at the Provincial Synods and discussed, without however any definite action except by the Synod of the First Province which approved the recommendations of the report. The general tenor of the discussions seemed to indicate reluctance on the part of the Provinces to assume any responsibilities involving increased expenditure in view of the pressure of diocesan and national budgets. We believe, however, that we should deal with the question as a
matter of principle leaving the practical difficulties to be worked out by the agencies concerned. We offer, therefore, the following recommendations:

1. We approve of the general principle of making the National Departments of Religious Education and Social Service advisory and of delegating to the Provinces the promotion of their programs in so far as the Provinces may be equipped to assume such responsibility.

2. We believe that the Field Department should seek the advice and co-operation of the Provinces and that its secretaries would, in some Provinces, work more efficiently and economically if under Provincial direction. This plan has been approved by the Synod of the First Province and is, in our judgment, worthy of trial.

3. The National Departments, in our judgment, should not wait for a better organization of all the Provinces but should work through and with each Province according to its organization and resources.

4. In order that the Provinces may be equipped to assume this larger responsibility, which, we believe, should mark the next advance step in the general work of the Church, we recommend the employment in each Province of at least one full time executive. It is obvious that a larger responsibility involves more generous support. This, we believe, will be given when the need for it is evident. The failure of the Church to take more interest in the Provinces is due largely to the lack of definite tasks assigned to the Provinces. We suggest that Provinces without executives investigate the value of such executives as indicated in the experience of those Provinces where they have been employed.

RESIGNATION AND CONSECRATION OF BISHOPS

Under the authority given to the Joint Committee to consider all matters pertaining to the Provinces we recommend a constitutional amendment providing that resignation of a Bishop in the case of a continental Bishop be made to the House of Bishops of the Province. The present practice requires a special session of the entire House of Bishops, or else that the resignation be held in abeyance until the House convenes for some other purpose often to the serious detriment of the diocese concerned.

We recommend also a canonical amendment providing that upon the election of a Bishop and the notification of the completion of the election coming to the Presiding Bishop, the latter shall notify the President of the Province in which the Diocese or Missionary District is located and turn over to him the arrangements for the consecration.

This would relieve the Presiding Bishop of an exacting duty involving a large expenditure of time and money, and 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.

To put into effect these recommendations we offer the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Constitution, Article II., Section 6, be amended to read as follows:

“A Bishop in a Diocese or Missionary District within a Province may not resign his episcopal charge without the consent of the House of Bishops of the Province, under conditions provided by the Canons of the
General Convention. The resignation of a Bishop in a Missionary District not within a Province shall require the consent of the House of Bishops of the Church."

Resolved, That Canon 13, Section I., be amended in the following particulars:

(a) Amend subsection [ii.] by striking out all of said subsection following the words "Bishop elect" in the fourth line.

(b) Amend subsection [iii.] by striking out all of said subsection after the words "Bishop elect" in the twentieth line.

(c) After subsection [iii.] add a new subsection to be numbered [iv.] and to read as follows:

"[iv.] Within a reasonable time after receiving notice of his election from the Presiding Bishop the Bishop elect shall notify the Presiding Bishop of his acceptance or declination thereof. If the Bishop elect shall accept, the Presiding Bishop shall certify the testimonials of his election and acceptance to the President of the Province within which his office is to be exercised. The President of the Province shall thereupon take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect, either by himself and two other Bishops of this Church, or by any three Bishops of this Church to whom he may communicate the testimonials. In all particulars the service at the consecration of a Bishop shall be under the direction of the Bishop presiding at such consecration."

(d) Renumber subsection [iv.] to be subsection [v.].

That Canon 14, Section II., subsection [iv.], be amended by adding thereto the following:

"Provided, That, if the District for which such Bishop was elected shall be within a Province, the Presiding Bishop shall certify the testimonials of his election and acceptance to the President of the Province, who shall take order for the consecration of said Bishop elect in like manner."

Edward L. Parsons, Chairman
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Fred Ingleby
Henry B. Washburn
Charles F. Blaisdell
Malcolm Taylor, Secretary
Charles L. Dibble
Louis F. Monteagle

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APPENDIX XXVI.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMISSION ON RURAL WORK FOR THE TRIENNIAL 1934-1937

The Joint Commission on Rural Work has held but two meetings during the triennium. The wide separation of membership and the lack of funds for expenses of transportation have made frequent meetings impossible. At these meetings local problems of rural work have been little
discussed. There has been a helpful exchange of opinions concerning phases of work, but on account of the vastness of the country, the differences in population and the varied local conditions, it has seemed unwise to do more than re-emphasize the importance of giving greater attention to Church work in the rural areas, and this for various reasons.

First, on account of the large rural population. The farm population on January 1, 1937, was 31,729,000. If to the farm population there is added the 23,652,000 people in towns and villages under 2,500 (which are always classed as rural) there is a total rural population of between fifty-five and fifty-six millions, or 44% of the population of the country. This constitutes a very large factor in the life of the Church or nation, and must be taken into consideration if we are to take a long range view of our national life and its future development.

The mere fact that only 17% of the communicants of the Protestant Episcopal Church are found in this vast rural population should fill us with concern. Is it any wonder that the Church grows slowly? Years ago, in one of the southern states, 80% of the population belonged to the Church. At the present time the ratio of communicants to population is one to twenty in the cities of the state and one to fifty in the rural sections. With the development of the cities and large towns it was natural that the Church should concentrate her efforts in these larger centers of population. But the difference in ratio is largely due to the movement of the younger communicants from the country to the city. For economic reasons this was a necessity. This trend continues today, and will always obtain.

In addressing a group of young people at a church in Washington, a speaker asked those who were born on farms or raised in villages to hold up their hands, and over half of them did so. This led the speaker to comment: "I believe a realization of this situation would mean much to the future welfare of the city churches of the United States."

About a year ago a survey of Christian Churches in Indianapolis showed that about 70% of the members and 75% of the Church leaders were raised on farms or in small rural villages.

Consider, also, that the growth in population is in the country districts and not in the cities, except as the cities grow through migration from the country. In 1921 three million children were born in this country; in 1924 about two million, nine hundred thousand. In 1933 the annual number of births had dropped to two million, three hundred thousand, or a decrease of 20%. So great has been the drop in births in the last few years that a professor in one of our western colleges has written a significant article citing the decrease in elementary schools as an indication of the tax burden, with a corresponding growth in the number of older people who will have to be cared for in this country, and the gradual decrease in the number of workers who will have to carry the tax burden. Professor Dickinson, quoting statistics of the Office of Education of the United States Department of the Interior, states that there were 4,100,000 children in the first grade of the public schools in 1930 and only 3,200,000 in 1934. He estimates that if the present trend continues the number of children in the first grade of our public schools in 1970 and 1980 will be 2,000,000 plus, or 19½% plus, of the total population, as against 31½% of the total population in 1930.

One hundred and thirty years ago in the average family there were eight births; now the average is a little less than three per family. In the
large cities the average is about one. "Since it requires three children per mother (we quote from Dr. E. A. Baker, Senior Economist of the United States Department of Agriculture) to maintain a permanently stationary population, and not two children, as is commonly assumed, it is clear that the people of the nation are no longer reproducing themselves."

This is not true, however, of the farm districts. In 1936, for instance, there was an excess of births over deaths of 367,000. To contrast the effect of the declining birth rate between the large cities and the rural areas, Dr. Baker has worked out the following: Ten persons in our large cities have seven children; these seven have less than five; these five mothers have three and one-half. In 100 years, if this trend continues, the cities will have fallen to one-third of their former level of population. Ten persons from the rural districts have thirteen children; these thirteen will have seventeen, and the seventeen will have twenty-two. In 100 years the country population will have doubled. Or, to put it a little more plainly, we quote another statement by Dr. Baker: "At present, in cities of over 100,000 population ten adults are raising only about seven children. Should there be no rise in the birth rate, and this is very likely, there would be only one-third as many children as there are today a century hence, probably even less, assuming no accessions from outside. On the other hand, in the farm population ten adults are now raising nearly fourteen children. Doubtless this rural birth rate will decline as well as the urban. But the differential suggests that one thousand farm people today will have five or ten times as many descendants as a thousand people now living in our large cities, depending upon the extent of migration from farms."

We have laid emphasis upon the influence of changing birth rate and this movement of population from the country to the larger cities because we feel that if the city churches are to maintain themselves and continue to supply the resources for missionary work, then it becomes important that we strengthen the work of the Church in those sections of the country from which this increase of membership must come. But we would be unfaithful to our trust if we did not realize that the future of this country will be largely influenced by the philosophy of life which is engendered in the population at its source. The Church is here in this world not only to build up her membership but to Christianize the nation. If we would Christianize America we should show sufficient strategy to strengthen our forces at the sources of population.

When we consider the question of employment we can see an additional reason for stressing the work of the Church in rural districts. In 1870 54% of all gainfully employed were engaged in agriculture. In 1930, when industrial activity was at its height, the proportion had dropped to 21%. Since that time the ratio has fluctuated a little, according to population movement. It was inevitable that the cities, to meet their labor demands, should absorb a very large proportion of the youth of the countryside.

Between 1920 and 1930, the post-war period of mass production, the large cities produced less than half of the people who started to work in stores, offices and factories; 40% came from rural regions, 20% from foreign lands, and only 40% from the cities themselves. In other words, the cities not only look to the rural districts for their numerical growth, but are dependent upon rural population to supply two-fifths of their workers in stores, offices and factories.
Furthermore, it has been estimated that one-third of the gross income of farmers, during a ten-year period from 1920 to 1930, was transferred to the cities in the form of young people fed, clothed, educated and provided to the cities almost free of cost; in the form of money sent in the settlement of estates and interest and rent payments. In round figures this amounted to $36,000,000,000. To put it plainly, the cities are so deeply in debt to the rural districts that any attempt to square accounts would end in bankruptcy.

We have not considered the causes of a decreasing birth rate or the social implications resulting from the break-up of family life. These considerations, and many others that grow out of them, are matters of great importance. We would, however, point out that the economic and social conditions in the rural regions tend to the conservation, and in the urban centers to the disintegration, of the family. For people live in the country to make homes; they go to the city for business purposes. If, therefore, we would labor for the preservation of the family as a social as well as a Christian institution, we should strengthen the work of the Church in the rural districts where, because of the unity of interests, the family is at its best.

The day of reckoning is dawning. "Rurbanization," as Dr. Galpin calls the interaction of urban and rural life, has already set in. The facilities of transportation, electric development, larger circulation of magazines, moving pictures, radios and other products of this modern age are having a profound effect upon the family life of the rural people. Urban ways of thinking and acting are penetrating the country. For good or ill the material forces are coming into the life of a people who are naturally religious, and because they live amongst and deal with the mysteries of living things are easily susceptible to religious influences.

It is estimated that three-fifths of the rural population are unchurched and that fully one-half of the children are receiving no religious education. And yet these people are at the source of population, and constitute the largest factor in the future growth of the country. We firmly believe that unless the young people come under the influence of the Church before their migration to the cities there is small likelihood that they will be brought to baptism and confirmation after they become immersed in the distractions of city life.

While we are stressing the importance of religious work in the rural sections of the country, the Commission is not unmindful of the splendid work done in many of our dioceses and of the consecrated men and women who have rendered notable service to the people living in the country. But we realize that what the Church is doing is small, compared with the extent of the field and the teeming population. We plead not only for greater interest and appreciation of the value of Church work in the country; we plead for a clearer understanding of the problems faced in a field which does not reap the harvest of its growth. For the country parish is continually transferring its membership to the city. It is not easy to maintain a country church. Few, indeed, are the rural parishes which are self-supporting and, as far as we can see, the rural churches will in the future have to receive even greater diocesan or general Church aid than in the past. This is due in a large measure to the fact that farmers, as a class, have little money, and that such a small proportion of income remains in the country. This will not only continue, but with the growth of tenancy is likely to increase. Tenants are now operating as much as 70% of the farms. This means that only one-half of the
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Income of the farm is kept in the rural sections, and the other half will go to the farm owner who, as a rule, has left the country and moved to a city or town.

We are happy to know that the subject for study by the Woman's Auxiliary this coming year will be Rural Work. Some of the facts which we have presented should be made available for these study classes. It is our conviction that once the real situation is known and Church people are informed as to the population movements in this country, the voices of objectors to appropriations for support of rural work will be stilled, and the whole Church move toward a realization of the religious needs of a vast number of rural people, and the conviction that unless these needs are met, the preservation of the family as a Christian institution and the basis of lasting civilization is dubious, and that the maintenance of the Church's strength as a spiritual power in the nation is open to serious question. Students of history are aware that the largest factor in the downfall of Rome was the neglect of agrarian interests in the face of a declining birth rate. It would be foolish to prophesy, but at least the experiences of the ages have their lesson.

Should the Five Million Dollar Fund for Rural Work (already approved by General Convention) ever become a realization, it is our opinion that there should be set aside a small sum to be used in making a survey and study of rural life and needs; that a further small sum should be placed in the hands of the National Council for the employment of a secretary and small staff to promote interest in and stimulate work among rural people, and that the remainder of the income from such an endowment should be used in the rural field to train and send out men who have a love for rural people, a well-developed pastoral instinct and a very real prophetic sense—in short, men of the highest type who know their task, are trained to face it, and have the character and consecration to labor without promise of preferment for the upbuilding of the Kingdom in a field which must have been dear to the heart of the Master who gleaned all of his illustrations for unfolding the meaning of the Kingdom of God from rural life.

APPENDIX XXVIIII.

REPORT OF THE RECORDER

In presenting this his sixth report to the General Convention the Recorder desires again to call attention to the fact that it contains, as heretofore explained, the record of Ordinations to the Diaconate only through December 31st of the year preceding the holding of the Convention. As the reason for so doing has been thoroughly gone over in previous reports it does not seem necessary to go into that matter at this time. As will be noted, however, advancement to the Priesthood is reported up to the last possible moment.

At present writing all reports have been received except from North Tokyo. The report shows 529 ordained in the United States and territories, 19 in foreign lands and 3 received from the Roman Catholic Church, a total of 551 or 7 more than in 1931. Of this number there were reported as coming from the Ministry of other Churches—not Roman, 9 Methodist, 8 Presbyterian, 3 each from the Baptist and Congregational, and 1 each from the Christian, German Lutheran, United Brethren, and United
Presbyterian. In 1931 55 were removed from the Sacred office of the Ministry by deposition or deprivation, while 38 are so reported this triennium. And here it might be mentioned, that owing to the indefinite way in which reports have come to this office, it has, as stated in The Living Church Annual, been impossible to differentiate between the two modes of removal of names from the roll of the Ministry, and your Recorder has thought it best to make note above said list, referring to such difficulty, as follows—"having regard for all, he begs to report same as of those no longer in the Ministry of this Church." Four were reported as being restored. By a curious coincidence, the number of those reported as having died in the past two trienniums is the same—404, of whom in the last, 14 were bishops and 390 clergymen. Thus it will appear that there has been a net gain of 113 clergy in the last triennium.

It has been a pleasure to respond to the many inquiries that have come to this office, and your Recorder hopes that he has been of some help in the information sought. But here let it be stated that this office has not, nor so far as is known, ever has had information as to the date of the birth of the ordinands or of their parents: in making his replies to such inquiries he acknowledges with appreciation his debt of gratitude to Stowe's Clerical Directory of the American Church, from which he obtains such information when it can be had.

There is one matter that your Recorder thinks is very vital, and which on that account expects to bring before this Convention—that is the making of an alphabetical list of all clergy ordained in the Church since that of Ashbel Baldwin on August 3d, 1785. Bishop Burgess's List extends only to 1856; Rev. E. H. Downing's from 1858 to 1885, and Ven. H. C. Duncan's from 1885 to 1895. There should be two lists prepared, one, alphabetical, the other, chronological. To do this with any degree of accuracy, which is all important, will take some time, and this your Recorder would like to do, if the Convention will provide the small sum that will be needed for extra expenses incurred in so doing. As he retires from the active parochial work in December, he will be able to begin such work shortly thereafter.

I therefor beg leave to submit the following resolution:

Resolved: That the Treasurer of General Convention is hereby authorized and instructed to pay to the Recorder of Ordinations the sum of $500 to enable him to make an alphabetical list of the clergy ordained in this Church from August 3, 1785 to date.

Again your Recorder expresses his appreciation of the assistance rendered him by the bishops and faithful secretaries in compiling this report; for without that co-operation it would have been utterly impossible to present anything like a complete report. This has, at times, necessitated much correspondence in order to verify dates given, and their willingness to assist and patience in so doing has been wonderful.

Your obedient servant,

W. S. Slack,
Recorder of Ordinations to the General Convention.

Alexandria, La.
October 1, 1937.

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Alexander, William Arnold (Deacon), on October 14, 1935, by Stires, E. M.

Baker, Edwin Lathrop, on February 6, 1937, by Manning, W. T.

Banks, William, on May 27, 1937, by Clingman, C.

Blacksoar, William St. John, on February 20, 1937, by Quin, C. S.

Brice, Edgar Ethelbert, on June 11, 1935, by Stires, E. M.

Creede, James G., on June 24, 1937, by Longley, H. S.

Dunseath, Samuel Glover, on June 20, 1935, by Manning, W. T.

Eberlein, Frederick Wahl, on January 17, 1936, by Sturtevant, H.

Ferguson, George Linn, on May 3, 1937, by Clingman, C.

Ferraz, Salasao, on December 31, 1936, by Thomas, W. M. M.


Greene, Frank Cecil, on January 17, 1936, by Sturtevant, H.

Hard, Jasper William, on February 20, 1936, by Fox, H. H. H.

Harrison, Benjamin Inabnit, on December 22, 1936, by Sherrill, H. K.

Hemckey, Harry Kroll, on December 11, 1936, by Manning, W. T.

Jackson, William D., on September 7, 1937 by Wise, James.

John, LeRoy August, on September 12, 1935, by Gribben, R. E.

Jennings, Jeffrey Elroy, on October 3, 1934, by Stires, E. M.

Johnson, James Aladubi, on June 2, 1936, by Clingman, C.

Jones, Charles Mitchell, on June 19, 1935, by Roberts, W. B.

Litsinger, Robert Stanley, on December 12, 1935, by Helfenstein, E. T.

Manion, Joseph Troy, on December 14, 1934, by Howden, F. B.

Maxey, Wallace DeOrthos, on November 12, 1936, by Stevens, W. E.

Miller, Albert Robert Herman, on March 19, 1936, by Budlong, F. G.

Morrill, Paul Rockwell (Deacon), on May 12, 1935, by Sherrill, H. K.

Morris, Craig (Deacon), on May 23, 1934, by Shayler, E. V.

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Van Duyne, Theodore John Milton, on December 5, 1935, by Oldham, G. A.

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Ziegler, Eustace P., on May 23, 1937, by Rowe, P. T.

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Butler, Pierce (Deacon), on March 2, 1937, by Stewart, G. C.

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In each case, when the Registrar could not be present at a Consecration, he has appointed a Deputy Registrar to act for him. These appointments are as follows:

The Rev. Montgomery H. Throop at the Consecration of the Suffragan Bishop of Shanghai; the Rev. Alfred Lockwood at the Consecration of the Bishop of Oregon; the Rev. C. Rankin Barnes at the Consecration of the Bishop Coadjutor of Rochester; the Rev. W. F. Rennenberg at the Consecration of the Bishop of Kentucky; The Rev. Herman R. Page at the Consecration of the Bishop Coadjutor of Western Michigan; the Rev. John H. Fitzgerald at the Consecration of the Bishop Coadjutor of New Jersey, and also at the Consecration of the Bishop of Western Massachusetts; the Rev. Alfred Newbery at the Consecration of the Bishop of Quincy, and also at the Consecration of the Bishop of Wyoming; the Rev. Stephen C. Clark, Jr., at the Consecration of the Bishop of the Panama Canal Zone; the Rev. Guy C. Menefee at the Consecration of the Bishop of North Dakota; and the Rev. Bertram L. Smith at the Consecration of the Bishop Coadjutor of Kansas.

The Registrar has himself been present at the Consecration of the Suffragan Bishop of Newark; at the Consecration of the Bishop of Liberia, and at the Consecration of the Bishop of Vermont.

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 office expenses of the past Triennium have amounted to $24.61 covering telegrams, postage, supplies and copying.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

October 1, 1937.

CCCLXXXVII.—REV. JOHN WILLIAMS NICHOLS, D.D.
SUFFRAGAN BISHOP OF THE MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF SHANGHAI.

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, Francis Lushington Norris, D.D., Bishop of North China; Frederick Rogers Graves, D.D., Bishop of Shanghai, and Alfred Alonzo Gilman, D.D., Suffragan Bishop
of Hankow, 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 November, being the Feast of All Saints, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-four in the Church of St. Mary’s Hall, Shanghai, China, 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 Williams Nichols, D.D., of whose sufficiency in good learning soundness in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained into the sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church of God, he having been duly chosen Suffragan Bishop of the Missionary District of Shanghai.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Shanghai, China, on the day and in the year above written.

FRANCIS L. NORRIS, Bishop of North China.
F. R. GRAVES, Bishop of Shanghai.
ALFRED A. GILMAN, Suffragan Bishop of Hankow.
SING, TSE-SING, Bishop.
T. ARNOLD SCOTT, Bishop of Shantung.
JOHN CURTIS, Bishop of Chekiang.
P. LINDEL T’SEN, Assistant Bishop of Honan.
RONALD, Hongkong, Bishop of Hongkong.

Attest: MONTGOMERY H. THROOP, Deputy Registrar.

CCCLXXXVIII—REVEREND THEODORE RUSSELL LUDLOW, D.D.
Suffragan Bishop of the Diocese of Newark.

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; Philip Cook, D.D., Bishop of Delaware, and Wilson Reiff Stearly, D.D., Bishop, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Saturday, the Twenty Fifth Day of January, being the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six in St. Paul’s Church, Paterson, New Jersey, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Theodore Russell Ludlow, 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 Newark.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Paterson, and State of New Jersey, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop.  
WILSON R. STEARLY, Bishop.  
PHILIP COOK, Bishop of Delaware.  
BENJAMIN MARTIN WASHBURN, Bishop of Newark.  
J. I. BLAIR LARNED, Suffragan Bishop of Long Island.  
HENRY WISE HOBSON, Bishop of Southern Ohio.  
CHAS. K. GILBERT, Suffragan Bishop of New York.  

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

CCCLXXXIX.—REVEREND BENJAMIN DUNLAP DAGWELL, D.D.  
BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF OREGON.

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, Paul Matthews, D.D., Bishop of New Jersey; Louis Childs Sanford, D.D., Bishop of San Joaquin, and Fred Ingleby, S.T.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Twelfth Day of February, being the Wednesday following Septuagesima Sunday, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six 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 Benjamin Dunlap Dagwell, 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 Oregon.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Portland, and State of Oregon, on the day and in the year above written.

PETER TRIMBLE ROWE, Bishop of Alaska.  
EDWARD LAMBE PARSONS, Bishop of California.  
STEPHEN EDWARDS KEEFER, Coadjutor Bishop of Minnesota.  
THOMAS JENKINS, Bishop of Nevada.  
ELMER NICHOLAS SCHMUCK, Bishop of Wyoming.  
PAUL MATTHEWS, Bishop of New Jersey.  
LOUIS CHILDS SANFORD, President of the Province of the Pacific and Bishop of San Joaquin.  
ARTHUR W. MOULTON, Bishop of Utah.  
ADAM NEW WESTMINSTER, British Columbia.  

Attest: ALFRED LOCKWOOD, Deputy Registrar
APPENDIX XXVIII

CCCXC.—REVEREND LEOPOLD KROLL.  
BISHOP OF THE MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF LIBERIA.  
IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER AND OF THE SON AND OF THE  
HOLY GHOST.  AMEN.

To All the Faithful in Christ Jesus Throughout the World, Greeting:  
Be it known unto you by these presents that we, James DeWolf Perry,  
D.D., Presiding Bishop; William Thomas Manning, D.D., Bishop of New  
York, and Robert Erskine Campbell, D.D., Bishop, assisted by the other  
Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the  
protection of Almighty God, did on the Twentieth Day of February, being  
the Thursday before Quinquagesima Sunday, in the year of Our Lord one  
thousand nine hundred and thirty-six in the Cathedral of St. John the  
Divine, New York, N. Y., 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 Leopold Kroll, of whose sufficiency in good learning soundness  
in the Faith and purity of manners we were fully ascertained into the  
sacred office of a Bishop in the One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church  
of God, he having been duly chosen Bishop of the Missionary District of  
Liberia.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of New York, and State of  
New York, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop. (SEAL)  
WILLIAM THOMAS MANNING, Bishop of New York. (SEAL)  
ROBERT E. CAMPBELL, Bishop. (SEAL)  
ARTHUR SELDEN LLOYD, Suffragan Bishop of New York. (SEAL)  
PABE MATTHEWS, Bishop of New Jersey. (SEAL)  
ERNEST MILMORE STERES, Bishop of Long Island. (SEAL)

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDER, Registrar.

CCCXCL.—REVEREND VEDDER VAN DYCK.  
BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF VERMONT.  
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; Frederick Grandy Budlong, D.D., Bishop of  
Connecticut, and Henry Knox Sherrill, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts,  
assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto  
subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Monday, the  
Twenty-Fourth Day of February, being the Feast of St. Matthias the  
Apostle, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-  
six, in St. Paul's Church, Burlington, Vermont, in the presence of a Con-  
gregation 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 Vedder Van Dyck, 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 Vermont.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Burlington, and State of Vermont, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop.
FREDERICK G. BUDLONG, Bishop of Connecticut.
HENRY KNOX SHERRILL, Bishop of Massachusetts.
JOHN THOMPSON DALLAS, Bishop of New Hampshire.
BENJAMIN MARTIN WASHBURN, Bishop of Newark.
JOHN CHARLES ROGER, Archbishop of Ottawa.

Attest: CHARLES L. PARDEE, Registrar.

CCCXCII.—REVEREND BARTELLE HILEN REINHEIMER, D.D.
BISHOP COADJUTOR OF THE DIOCESE OF ROCHESTER

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; David Lincoln Ferris, D.D., Bishop of Rochester, and Warren Lincoln Rogers, D.D., Bishop of Ohio, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Wednesday, the fourth day of March, being the Wednesday after the First Sunday in Lent, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six, in Christ Church, Rochester, 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 Bartelle Hilen Reinheimer, 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 Rochester.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Rochester, and State of New York, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop.
DAVID LINCOLN FERRIS, Bishop of Rochester.
WARREN LINCOLN ROGERS, Bishop of Ohio.
PHILIP COOK, Bishop of Delaware.
HENRY W. HOBSON, Bishop of Southern Ohio.
FRANK W. CREIGHTON, Suffragan Bishop of Long Island.
JOHN C. WARD, Bishop of Erie.
CHARLES FISKE, Bishop of Central New York.

Attest: C. RANKIN BARNES, Deputy Registrar.
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; Charles Edward Woodcock, D.D., Bishop, and Lewis William Burton, 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-Second Day of April, being the Wednesday following the First Sunday after Easter, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six in Christ Church, Cathedral, Louisville, Kentucky, 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 Clingman, 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 Kentucky.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Louisville, and State of Kentucky, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop. (SEAL)
CHARLES E. WOODCOCK, Bishop. (SEAL)
LEWIS W. BURTON, Bishop. (SEAL)
JAMES M. MAXON, Bishop of Tennessee. (SEAL)
WM. THEODOTUS CAPERS, Bishop of West Texas. (SEAL)
CLINTON S. QUIN, Bishop of Texas. (SEAL)
WM. G. Mc Dowell, Bishop of Alabama. (SEAL)
HENRY W. HOBSON, Bishop of Southern Ohio. (SEAL)
MIDDLETON S. BARNWELL, Bishop Coadjutor of Georgia. (SEAL)

Attest: W. F. RENNENBERG, Deputy Registrar.

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; John Newton McCormick, D.D., Bishop of Western Michigan, and Campbell Gray, D.D., Bishop of Northern Indiana, 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-six in Grace Church, Grand Rapids, 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 Lewis Bliss Whittemore, 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 Michigan.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Grand Rapids, and State of Michigan, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES DeWolf PERRY, Presiding Bishop.
JOHN N. McCORMICK, Bishop of Western Michigan.
CAMPBELL Gray, Bishop of Northern Indiana.
HENRY Wise HOBSON, Bishop of Southern Ohio.
HAYWARD S. ABLEWHIT, Bishop of Marquette.
GEORGE Craig STEWART, Bishop of Chicago.

Attest: HERMAN R. PAGE, Deputy Registrar.

CCCVX—THE RIGHT REVEREND WALLACE JOHN GARDNER, D.D.
BISHOP Coadjutor of the Diocese of New Jersey.

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, Paul Matthews, D.D., Bishop of New Jersey; Cameron Josiah Davis, D.D., Bishop of Western New York, and Ernest Milmore Stires, D.D., Bishop of Long Island, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Third Day of June, being the Wednesday after Whitsunday, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six, in Trinity Cathedral, Trenton, New Jersey, in the presence of a Congregation of the Clergy and Laity and according to the due and prescribed order of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America and in conformity with the Canons thereof ordain and Consecrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Wallace John Gardner, 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 New Jersey.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Trenton, and State of New Jersey, on the day and in the year above written.

PAUL MATTHEWS, Bishop of New Jersey.
ERNEST MILMORE STIRES, Bishop of Long Island.
CAMERON J. DAVIS, Bishop of Western New York.
PHILIP COOK, Bishop of Delaware.
WILLIAM THOMAS MANNING, Bishop of New York.
FRANK WHITTINGTON CREIGHTON, Suffragan Bishop of Long Island.
FRANCIS M. TAITT, Pennsylvania.
HENRY KNOX SheBBELL, Bishop of Massachusetts.
BENJAMIN MARTIN WASHBURN, Bishop of Newark.

Attest: JOHN H. FITZGERALD, Deputy Registrar.
CCCXCVI.—THE RIGHT REVEREND WILLIAM LEOPOLD ESSEX.
BISHOP OF QUINCY.

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; George Craig Stewart, D.D., Bishop of Chicago, and Campbell Gray, D.D., Bishop of Northern Indiana, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on Tuesday, the Twenty-Ninth Day of September, being St. Michael's and All Angels Day, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six in St. Paul's Church, Peoria, 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 William Leopold Essex, 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 Quincy.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of Peoria, and State of Illinois, on the day and in the year above written.

James DeWolf Perry, Presiding Bishop. (SEAL)
George Craig Stewart, Bishop of Chicago. (SEAL)
Campbell Gray, Bishop of Northern Indiana. (SEAL)
Joseph Marshall Francis, Bishop of Indianapolis. (SEAL)
Harry S. Longley, Bishop of Iowa. (SEAL)
John Chandler White, Bishop of Springfield. (SEAL)
Benj. F. P. Ivins, Bishop of Milwaukee. (SEAL)
Frank E. Wilson, Bishop of Eau Claire. (SEAL)

Attest: Alfred Newberry, Deputy Registrar.

CCCXCVII.—THE RIGHT REVEREND WINFRED HAMLIN
ZIEGLER.
BISHOP OF THE MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF WYOMING.

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, George Craig Stewart, D.D., Bishop of Chicago; Stephen Edwards Keefer, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota, and Fred Ingleby, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Sixteenth Day of December, being the Wednesday following the Third Sunday in Advent, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six in St. Matthew's Cathedral, Laramie, Wyoming, 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...
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our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Winfred Hamlin Ziegler, 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 Laramie and State of Wyoming, on the day and in the year above written.

GEO. CRAIG STEWART, Bishop of Chicago. (SEAL)
STEPHEN EDWARDS KEEFER, Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota. (SEAL)
FRED INGLE, Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado. (SEAL)
PETER TRUMBLE ROWE, Bishop of Alaska. (SEAL)
GEORGE ALLEN BEECHER, Bishop of Western Nebraska. (SEAL)
FREDERICK B. HOWDEN, Bishop of New Mexico and S. W. Texas. (SEAL)
IRVING P. JOHNSON, Bishop of Colorado. (SEAL)
ARTHUR W. MOULTON, Bishop of Utah. (SEAL)
THOMAS JENKINS, Bishop of Nevada. (SEAL)
Attest: ALFRED NEWBERY, Deputy Registrar.

CCCXCVIII.—THE RIGHT REVEREND HARRY BEAL, D.D.
BISHOP OF THE MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF THE PANAMA CANAL ZONE.

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 Arthur Wheelock Moulton, D.D., Bishop of Utah, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Thirteenth Day of January, being the Wednesday following the First Sunday after Epiphany, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven 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 Very Reverend Harry Beal, 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 the Panama Canal Zone.

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.

W. BERTRAND STEVENS, Bishop of Los Angeles. (SEAL)
LOUIS CHILD SANFORD, Bishop of San Joaquin. (SEAL)
ROBERT B. GOODEN, Suffragan Bishop of Los Angeles. (SEAL)
NOEL PORTER, Bishop of Sacramento. (SEAL)
EDWARD L. PARSONS, Bishop of California. (SEAL)
W. P. REMINGTON, Bishop of Eastern Oregon. (SEAL)
HERBERT H. H. FOX, Bishop of Montana. (SEAL)
WALTER MITCHELL, Bishop of Arizona. (SEAL)
THOMAS JENKINS, Bishop of Nevada. (SEAL)
BENJAMIN D. DAGWELL, Bishop of Oregon. (SEAL)
WALTER BURD, Bishop of Saskatchewan. (SEAL)
Attest: STEPHEN C. CLARK, Jr., Deputy Registrar.
CCCXCIX.—THE RIGHT REVEREND WILLIAM APPLETON LAWRENCE, D.D.
BISHOP OF THE DIOCESE OF WESTERN 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., Presiding Bishop; William Lawrence, D.D., Bishop, and Henry Knox Sherrill, D.D., Bishop of Massachusetts, assisted by the other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under the protection of Almighty God, did on the Thirteenth Day of January, being the Wednesday following the First Sunday after Epiphany, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven, in Christ Church Cathedral, Springfield, 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 William Appleton Lawrence, 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 Western Massachusetts.

Given under our bands and seals in the City of Springfield, and State of Massachusetts, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES DEWOLF PERRY, Presiding Bishop and Bishop of Rhode Island
WILLIAM LAWRENCE, Bishop
HENRY KNOX SHERRILL, Bishop of Massachusetts.
BENJAMIN BREWSTER, Bishop of Maine.
PHILIP COOK, Bishop of Delaware.
SAMUEL G. BARCOCK, Suffragan Bishop of Massachusetts.
GRANVILLE GAYLORD BENNETT, Bishop.
ARTHUR W. MOULTON, Bishop of Utah.
JOHN THOMPSON DALLAS, Bishop of New Hampshire.

Attest: JOHN HENRY FITZGERALD, Deputy Registrar.

Other Bishops present who did not lay on bands.
FREDERICK G. BUDLONG, Bishop of Connecticut.
Benjamin M. Washburn, Bishop of Newark.

CD.—THE RIGHT REVEREND DOUGLAS HENRY ATWILL, D.D.
BISHOP OF THE MISSIONARY DISTRICT OF NORTH DAKOTA.

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, Stephen Edwards Keeler, D.D., Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota; Frank Arthur McElwain, D.D., Bishop of Minnesota, and William Blair Roberts, 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-First Day of January, being the Thursday before Septuagesima
Sunday, in the year of Our Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-
seven in St. John's Church, St. Paul, 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 Con-
secrate our well beloved in Christ the Reverend Douglass Henry Atwill,
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 North Dakota.

Given under our hands and seals in the City of St. Paul, and State
of Minnesota, on the day and in the year above written.

STEPHEN EDWARDS KEELER, Bishop Coadjutor of Minnesota. (SEAL)
FRANK ARTHUR McELWAIN, Bishop of Minnesota. (SEAL)
W. BLAIR ROBERTS, Bishop of South Dakota. (SEAL)
HERBERT H. H. FOX, Bishop of Montana. (SEAL)
HARRY S. LONGLY, Bishop of Iowa. (SEAL)
B. T. KEMERER, Bishop of Duluth. (SEAL)
HAYWARD S. ABLEWHITE, Bishop of Marquette. (SEAL)
BENJ. F. P. IVINS, Bishop of Milwaukee. (SEAL)
FRANK E. WILSON, Bishop of Eau Claire. (SEAL)
WINFRED H. ZIEGLER, Bishop of Wyoming. (SEAL)
M. M., Archbishop of Rupert's Land. (SEAL)

Attest: GUY C. MENEFEE, Deputy Registrar.

CDI.—THE RIGHT REVEREND GOODRICH ROBERT FENNER
Bishop Coadjutor of the Diocese of Kansas.

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, Greetings:

Be it known unto you by these presents that we, James Wise, D.D.,
Bishop of Kansas; William Theodotus Capers, D.D., Bishop of West
Texas, and Harry Tunis Moore, D.D., Bishop of Dallas, assisted by the
other Right Reverend Bishops whose names are hereto subscribed, under
the protection of Almighty God, did on Wednesday, the Twenty-Ninth day
of September, being St. Michael's and All Angels Day, in the year of Our
Lord one thousand nine hundred and thirty-seven in Grace Cathedral,
Topeka, Kansas, 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 Goodrich Robert Fenner, 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 Kansas.
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Given under our hands and seals in the City of Topeka and State of Kansas, on the day and in the year above written.

JAMES WISE, Bishop of Kansas. (SEAL)
WILLIAM THEODOTUS CAPERS, Bishop of West Texas. (SEAL)
HARRY T. MOORE, Bishop of Dallas. (SEAL)
ROBERT H. MIZE, Bishop of Salina. (SEAL)
IRVING P. JOHNSON, Bishop of Colorado. (SEAL)
W. BERTRAND STEVENS, Bishop of Los Angeles. (SEAL)
ROBERT NELSON SPENCER, Bishop of West Missouri. (SEAL)
FRED INGLEY, Bishop Coadjutor of Colorado. (SEAL)

Attest: BERTRAM L. SMITH, Deputy Registrar

APPENDIX XXIX.

THE REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCH

The Committee on the State of the Church to whom is assigned the task of look-out duty; the task of discussing and appraising, so far as human judgment may, the forces and progress of this Church's life in the past triennium, respectfully submits the following report:

The scene disclosed to those who stand upon the mount of vision, viewing the Church's far-flung and greatly varied enterprise is one that starts both thankfulness and disappointment in devoted hearts. The picture that comes to view is one of good progress and also one of inertia and retreat.

Outstanding in the past three years is the revived outbreak of paganism, a paganism defiant, determined, militant. The Church everywhere is facing a foe resolute and powerful, that would substitute a secular faith and world purpose for the Kingdom of God and the redemptive life of man proclaimed by the Church for nineteen centuries in the name of Jesus Christ, her Lord.

It is obvious that only a vigorous, united and witness-bearing Church can meet this new attack of enthusiastic paganism. A Church of unhappy divisions, rent and torn asunder; a people at ease in Zion, of nominal allegiance to Christ; a religion of mere respectability, cannot meet the situation. The demand is for a vital, united fellowship ready to sacrifice itself for its faith in Jesus Christ.

Within the framework of the present world conditions, discouraging as they are, we turn with much hope to many evidences of new life and thought in the Church. And first we mention the new emphasis upon Christian Evangelism—so well conceived and carried out by the Forward Movement Commission. The Church throughout its length and breadth has responded to the sane efforts of this Movement, and thousands of our people have been quietly coming to a better understanding and practice of the Christian life. Through it our people are turning to proved and effectual disciplines of grace—many are recovering a Christian prayer life, the daily habit of reading Holy Scriptures, and a more regular attendance upon public worship and use of the Christian sacraments. It is not too much to say there is abundant evidence of increase in the fundamental growth of personal religion. This Committee gives hearty approval to the value voiced by this Session of General Convention of the work of the Forward Movement and urges that generous provision be made for the continued expansion and prosecution of its program.
Another promising sign of the times is to be found in the aroused and serious consideration of Christian unity. The presence of hostile philosophies and practices has made more evident the weakness of a fellowship torn asunder by its unhappy divisions. Under the clarifying force of a common threat the whole Christian community has caught the significance of the great issue—Christ or Caesar—and been led to see anew the tragic destructiveness of long held prejudices and continued stress upon non-essentials. We rejoice that this Church long since an outstanding spokesman and advocate of Christian reunion and Church unity, now, while humbly conscious of its own faults and failings, stands forth in a spirit of reconciliation, and at this Session of General Convention has so heartily welcomed a united conference with sister churches to find the paths that lead to unbroken fellowship. Meantime, we may well ask ourselves as to whether we are worthy to receive God's blessing of a united Church, and certainly pray more earnestly than ever for it. All the more hopefully may we do this in that the reunion of Christendom will not be grounded upon mere expediency but upon the very will of God for His Church, "that they may be one." The very fact of the gathering of two great conferences on Life and Work, and Faith and Order, shared by Christians of many names this past summer, our own included, has deeply stirred our hearts with fresh daring to go forward to a united Christian fellowship.

Your Committee rejoices in the deepening sense of social responsibility. This is true not only of our own Church but of most Communions. Many factors have constituted: a better understanding of Christ's teaching as both social and individual, the moral chaos of the times, the struggle for universal peace. Above all, a conviction that only the leadership of Christ and His principles of good-will and brotherhood can redeem the social order. The Oxford Conference on Life and Work has brought this home to the Churches. The business of the Church is not to proclaim a specific economic theory nor promote any specific social legislation, but, as Bishop Parsons reminded us in his sermon, "it is the business of the Church and of the Christian who is a part of the Church, to appraise all social and economic theory in the light of its effect upon the individual." Upon this we can all unite and face the pressing international and economic problems with Christian courage and hope.

One great cause of lagging in the support of Missions and of the general work of the Church is lack of knowledge about what the Church is doing. Our Lord said to those who stood aside and criticized: "He that is not with Me is against Me." Now, as then, the only people who count in accomplishing any object are those who work actively for it. Those who remain indifferent count actually against it. To increase the knowledge of the good work being done by any organization is to increase its power. Especially is it desirable that deputies to General Convention should come well informed on what the Church has been doing recently. We recommend that every deputy who is not already a regular reader, should immediately subscribe for the *Spirit of Missions* at $1.00 per year, and for at least one paper for general Church news. *The Churchman* and *The Living Church* cost only $4.00 each annually; *The Witness* and *The Southern Churchman*, $2.00 each. Regular reading of such magazines is the only way to keep adequately informed on the work of Missions, the progress toward Church unity, and other forward movements, of which we have heard such inspiring reports at this convention.

We further recommend that all Deputies urge upon all Wardens and Vestrymen the same program of magazine subscriptions and reading. Progressive professional men, merchants, and manufacturers all read the
trade journals of their respective occupations; and if we would do our jobs well in the service of the Church, we should read the similar journals of Church work. Rectors also should be urged to preach about Missions and Church unity and effective movements frequently, thus passing along such information to our congregations generally. Enlarged vision always brings greater interest in any cause and stronger support of it. Bible reading, as promoted by the Forward Movement, is rousing and inspiring many; and the reading and preaching we have recommended, will show how to make that inspiration bear fruit in action. Understanding of what the Church is doing will enrich the lives of those who gain it and will result in larger and more cheerful support of all Church work.

The interpretation of statistics is not so exact a science as the explicitness of figures might indicate. The statistics available for a triennium, however, give a wider view than the fluctuations of a single year, and certain trends are more definite from the point of view of a three year sweep than of an annual summary.

From consideration of the reports of all the Parishes and Mission Stations in the Church there are some causes for satisfaction and some for concern. It is not altogether a rosy picture; neither is there too great a cause for alarm.

There can be some satisfaction in realizing that the total communicant strength of the Church has increased at an average rate of 18,000 for each of the past three years in the face of a static condition of national population trends. The Church is forging ahead, therefore, on the books—be it ever so slow. There are at the present time approximately 1,400,000 Communicants. The full strength of the Church in baptized persons is now very close to the 2,000,000 mark, having failed to reach that goal by only a few thousands. Again this is an increase over the number reported at the previous General Convention. It is a matter of speculation only, but the full adherent strength of the Church can be estimated fairly conservatively by doubling the number of baptized persons.

In one other feature of telling significance there is a modest degree of satisfaction in realizing that the work of religious education is going forward and not backward. Our Church Schools now register an enrollment of well over half a million. There are 556,000 pupils and teachers regularly enrolled in this important department of educational activity among the young. It is of even more satisfaction, however, to realize that the improvement of educational methods and program is distinctly marked. We report not only greater enrollment but better work. The tendency is widely manifest to complement the machinery of education with men and women specifically trained for the task. Teacher training courses, summer conferences, and similar institutions for the instruction of leaders, are being multiplied in every Diocese and Missionary Jurisdiction in the Church. As rapidly as finances permit, the tendency in Parishes is to add to the administrative staff part and full time religious education directors. The younger Clergy are being better trained in the methods and principles of religious education, and the older clergy are taking their educational responsibilities more seriously. Altogether this feature of the Church's life offers real encouragement.

The numbers which reveal the Evangelistic efforts of the Church are not as satisfactory as could be desired. Both in the number of persons baptized and confirmed a static condition is revealed by the reports. In fact there has been a slight falling off in these statistics during the triennium from 185,000 baptisms to 182,000, and from 201,000 confirmations to 196,000.
This is not alarming, but it is not comforting. It would seem right for us to expect that with increased enrollment in the Church Schools, we should at least hold our own in the number of confirmations.

In a further digest of the figures, it is revealed that while we have lost through burials 79,000, we have added 196,000 through confirmation. If there had not been lost through attrition large numbers, we might have expected a growth of 177,000 in the number of communicants. We only report a growth approximately of 54,000. This loss through lapsing is not unusual for this triennium, but it brings to the Church the realization that our forward march is at the rate of two steps ahead to one backward. More faithful pastoral work especially in following up those who remove from a Parish or Mission undoubtedly will do much to help us conserve what we labor so hard to win.

The statistics dealing with financial income present a rather shocking commentary on either the economic conditions of the past three years or the material stewardship of the Church. Perhaps it is both. From total receipts for parish purposes for the previous triennium of $64,000,000 the Church has slipped to $51,000,000. From a figure of $9,293,000 for special parochial projects, we have receded to $5,760,000. For Diocesan and general Church objects we gave $9,000,000 in the former triennium and only $6,234,000 this triennium. This is at the rate of approximately twenty-five per cent less for all purposes, parochial and general Church objects. A further analysis reveals that the Church has treated its parishes much less harshly than it has treated its Diocesan and general Church projects. It gave but twenty-three per cent less for parish purposes while it reduced its other giving by thirty-one per cent. These great fluctuations in the parochial income are to be deplored not only because they cripple the forward program of the Church, but also because they so disrupt the ordinary machinery of parish endeavor, that the very struggle to exist preempts the time and strength for the serving of tables which should be conserved for propagating the Word of God.

In the matter of indebtedness the Church has evidently improved its position in rather spectacular fashion. The amount of reduction registered in money owed by the parishes on all forms of indebtedness approximates thirty per cent. The total sum of money owed by the Church in 1934 was $28,000,000. It is now only a little over $20,000,000. There is a similarity between the percentage of debt reduction and the decrease in giving to Diocesan and general Church objects. It is hoped, however, that with the better position now obtained in relation to the indebtedness of the parishes, the Church will feel freer to give more largely in other channels, particularly the forward program of the general Church.

In a comparison of the statistical returns of the Church by Provinces, certain interesting facts present themselves. It is revealed that while the total Church School enrollment for the Church has forged ahead by approximately 20,000, the continental Dioceses and Districts have registered a loss of 19,000.

The gains have come through the increases registered by the extra continental missionary districts. Only the Sixth Province has registered a gain in Church School numbers. The Second, Seventh and Eighth Provinces alone have registered increases in Confirmations.

Statistics by Title.

For the Committee,
HOWARD W. DILLER, Chairman.
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The resolution of General Convention which in 1934 created the Joint Commission on Theological Education reads as follows:

Resolved, The House of Deputies concurring, that a Joint Commission consisting of five Bishops, five Presbyters, and five laymen, be appointed to consider the present facilities for theological education in the Church. Such Commission being authorized to study the status and work being done by the several seminaries of the Church, and shall include in its report recommendations concerning the continuance of the several seminaries in their present status, recognizing, however, that the General Convention of the Church has no authority over any of the several seminaries except in the case of the General Theological Seminary.

The wording of this resolution indicates the extremely wide scope of the task committed to the Joint Commission. Not only is the ground to be surveyed extensive in area, but the subject is extraordinarily complex, because of unusual conditions which obtain in the field of theological education within the Protestant Episcopal Church.

Your Commission has endeavored to face these conditions, the more far-reaching of which are enumerated in this report; but it is under no illusions as to its wisdom or statesmanship in attempting to point out proper and adequate solutions. The present state of theological education in the Church is the result of slow growth through many years. The development has consequently been so difficult of contemporary detection, that measures and solutions which might have been both appropriate and of easy application many years ago, are beyond reasonable consideration at this late day. Nevertheless, the members of your Commission are hopeful that the few recommendations they have felt competent to offer will serve at least as a first step, in working out a problem of such vital importance in the life and work of the Church.

Number of Our Seminaries

The most obvious conclusion revealed by even a casual survey of theological education is that we have too many schools for the training of candidates for the Ministry. In 1935, there were ordained in the Church, 193 Deacons and 162 Priests, and in 1936, 193 Deacons and 198 Priests. For the education of fewer than 200 Deacons and Priests the Church has maintained and used twelve seminaries.

The most practicable means of reducing the number of seminaries would seem to be through mergers. But the difficulties in the way of bringing about mergers are formidable, particularly three: (1) Loyal groups of alumni and others, personally, deeply and rightly, attached to certain institutions; (2) legal barriers having to do with incorporated Boards of Trustees and the administration of trust funds; and (3) the fact that only one seminary, the General, has any canonical connection with the Church. It is rather startling to realize, that so far as our present canons are concerned, there is nothing to prevent two individuals, a generous layman to provide the funds, in partnership with a Bishop to provide the candidates, from establishing a school, and calling it a theological seminary of the
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Protestant Episcopal Church. One of the recommendations at the close of this report deals with this subject.

Your Commission, after so brief and elementary a study, does not venture to submit specific recommendations as to seminary mergers. It believes such mergers to be desirable, and possible, but that those can be brought about only after long and patient study, firm but understanding leadership from our Bishops, and bold, even sacrificial, action on the part of boards of trustees. As a consciousness of the unity and solidarity of the Church develops, this problem will doubtless find solution.

PER CAPITA COST OF THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

The Commission has endeavored to discover how much money is required to educate a candidate for the Ministry. Efforts have been made to secure this information but with only partial success. As far as figures are obtainable, the cost to the Seminaries varies from $600.00 per year to (apparently) more than $1800.00 per year; and that the part thereof paid by the student varies from $162.00 yearly to $600.00 yearly. The subject merits further and more careful study.

Another item in need of further investigation is the amount of financial aid granted to theological students. Again the Commission, with few facts at its disposal, hesitates to express an opinion. The Commission believes that at times the financial burden of theological education is too greatly borne by the seminaries or other helping agencies and not sufficiently assumed by the student. To make a candidate's financial way too easy may tend to weaken that sense of financial responsibility and spirit of self-denial so necessary to the Ministry.

GEOGRAPHICAL DISTRIBUTION OF OUR SEMINARIES

Eight of our twelve seminaries are situated in the east and south, three in the middle west, and only one west of the Mississippi. Should mergers prove feasible, this condition might be somewhat relieved, but, whatever may be the ultimate outcome of proposed combinations, one fact seems indisputable to your Commission. There should be a stronger, more liberally endowed theological seminary on the Pacific Coast. The work of the Divinity School of the Pacific at Berkeley, California, although handicapped by lack of funds and equipment, merits the praise of the Church. But it is inadequate, both to the present need, and to the growing opportunities of that section of our national Church. Your Commission ventures to offer a resolution on this subject at the end of this report.

IMPORTANCE OF THE DIACONATE

Thoughtful Churchmen cannot but deplore the frequent virtual disappearance of the Diaconate as a period of apprenticeship and post-graduate theological training. It is the desire and purpose of the Church as set forth in the canons, that every Deacon should serve one full year before ordination to the Priesthood, permission being granted the Bishop, with the consent of the Standing Committee, to shorten the time to not less than six months for sufficient reason. But too often the exception has been made the rule. The sharp exigencies of Diocesan administration have impelled Bishops to ordain candidates to the Diaconate at the end of their middle year in the Seminary, and to the Priesthood upon graduation. Your Commission cannot but regard this as a dangerous practice, while
recognizing it as a wise and proper exceptional procedure. The Diaconate should extend through one full year. It is preferable that a Deacon should not be placed in independent charge of a mission, but should work under the direct and constant supervision of his Bishop, or under a Priest designated by his Bishop. The Diaconate is indispensable if the high quality of the Ministry is to be maintained, as a period for self-analysis and self-criticism, for digesting and testing instruction received at the seminary, for forming habits of prayer and study, and for learning the secret of parochial and pastoral administration. In the preparation of a Christian Priest, the Diaconate may be compared to the interneship of a medical student. Your Commission, therefore, pleads earnestly for a restoration throughout the Church of the Diaconate to its traditional place as an irreplaceable element in the effective training of our Clergy.

THE SELECTION OF CANDIDATES

The canons definitely give to the Bishop direction of the theological studies of all his candidates for Holy Orders. This provision your Commission believes to be both wise and necessary. The Commission also heartily approves of those provisions which place clear and weighty responsibility upon Rectors of Parishes, Vestries and Standing Committees in sharing with the Bishops the selection and approval of suitable men to serve in the Ministry. This report makes no suggestion whatever, designed to alter these requirements. It does, however, desire to point out certain pitfalls in the application of canons to particular candidates, of which Bishops, Priests and Vestries, in the discharge of their solemn duty must not be unmindful. The necessity of a thorough medical and psychiatric examination should be invariably and firmly stressed. This report has already sounded a warning against making the way of a theological student too smooth in financial matters. Perhaps this warning may be pertinent also in relation to conditions other than financial. The lofty standard of personal conduct in the Clergy which the laity justly expect must never be lowered. No man ought to be ordained to the Ministry unless his fitness has been officially declared by the Dean and Faculty of an approved seminary.

CANONICAL EXAMINATIONS

Your Commission has no wish to limit the authority now conferred by the Canons on Diocesan Boards of Examining Chaplains, and it offers no amendments in this connection. It does, however, suggest a new canon, setting up a national board of examiners, which many thoughtful friends of present day theological education believe to be desirable. A need is felt in the Church for a general minimum requirement in the education and training of the Clergy. Each Diocesan Board of Examiners has its standards, some of them extremely high, others much less exacting; and the not unexpected outcome of such a condition is that avenues of easy access to the Ministry are opened of which some are willing to avail themselves. Although this would still be possible if there were a National Board of Examiners, your Commission believes that the standards set by such a National Board would tend gradually to elevate diocesan standards, which stand in need of being elevated, while at the same time no Diocese would be prevented from establishing, if it wished, standards even higher than those of the National Board. No Diocese would wish to be placed before the Church in the unenviable position of falling short of a recognized minimum requirement in the education of its Clergy.
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Your Commission points out that in passing this proposed canon, a financial responsibility must of necessity be assumed by the Church. The meetings of the Board each year would involve expenses for travel and lodging.

THE WORK OF THE SEMINARIES

We recognize that many of the teachers in our seminaries are doing admirable work, and are fully aware of the defects in our present system of theological instruction. Whatever the defects, the responsibility does not lie wholly with the seminaries. The heavier measure of blame rests upon ourselves as leaders in the Church. We have not faced our problem and thought it through. The attempt is made in this report to help the Church face the problem, and that means, first of all, making clear that there is a problem to be faced.

That this Commission should have been authorized and appointed by the General Convention is itself conclusive evidence that something is wrong with the work of our seminaries.

The editor of one of our Church weeklies has said:

"Young men now for the most part go at once from ordination into independent curies. They know next to nothing about how to teach, how to preach, how to minister to the sick or dying, how to comfort the sorrowful, how to organize, how to deal with vestries, even how to make parish calls that are more than occasions of genial good-fellowship. They are often ignorant of social conditions, inept in dealing with maladjusted persons. Finally they have little or no knowledge of systematic devotion, how to practice it themselves, or how to teach it. Yet they are given independent cure of souls. Good men though most of them are, the amount of spiritual malpractice that results is unpleasant to remember."

The Dean of one of our seminaries says:

"If our system of theological education worked entirely satisfactorily, conservatism might suffice to keep it going. But it is not entirely satisfactory, and it is something more than conservatism that preserves it. One suspects that wide-spread indifference has had something to do with it, though there are signs that the general Church is at last becoming aware that the system needs improvement. . . . One would think that the very first charge upon any religious organization . . . would be the training of its ministry. How can a Church go forward unless it have properly chosen, properly equipped, properly trained leaders?"

The printed program of one of our seminaries contains these statements:

"All our divinity schools and seminaries seem maladjusted to the present day, and are therefore unable to secure that measure of loyalty and support which they need for their healthy life."

Again,

"We submit that, whatever importance we assign to them, (i.e. matters of conventional academic education), there are some matters of greater importance. No man should be able to graduate from a seminary without knowing how to guide people in an orderly life of personal prayer. No man should be able to graduate from a seminary without knowing how to teach a Sunday School lesson interestingly and helpfully."
No man should be able to graduate from a seminary without knowing how to deal with a troubled person or a tangled family situation, and do it intelligently."

Again,

"We submit that the trouble in the second part of the curriculum is due to an error in the educational philosophy which governs the first part. That error is the theory which has been completely rejected by all modern educationalists, that we must learn a thing first and then practice it. The present method in theology is to teach the historical, Biblical, dogmatic and liturgical subjects with minimum of reference to the actual experiences of people now living. (Of course this is not true in the case of a few of our finest teachers, but it is true of the majority.) Having then separated learning from life, desperate attempts are made in the second part of the curriculum to connect the dead learning with life again, and thus to undo the earlier educational wrong. But the wrong once committed can never be undone, and the result is that men come out of the seminary with a mass of dead knowledge which they cannot relate to life."

And once again,

"The scientific method is not the method of finding truth by logical deductions from assured premises, it is the method of finding truth by observing life in action. The scientific way to learn the meaning of a truth such as gravitation, for example, is not by analyzing the idea of gravitation, but by watching how bodies behave while under the influence of gravitation. And the scientific way of learning the meaning of Christian truth is not primarily by philosophic analysis of theological concepts, but by watching how persons are affected and how they behave when under the influence of this Christian truth. We are not persuaded that our theological seminaries have adopted this scientific method."

We quote once more, this time one of our younger theological educators:

"We urge the serious consideration of the functional importance of a distinction between theological 'education,' and theological 'training.' In the English Church this distinction is articulated in the curricula of University and Theological College. It does not sufficiently influence our American seminaries, where we try to combine both in a three-year program, with the result that the academic (important as it is) unfortunately often permits junior clergy to enter upon their duties disgracefully innocent of the practical techniques required."

In these friendly and constructive criticisms of the methods of our seminaries selected from contemporary Church literature, one note sounds forth distinct and clear. The teaching of Pastoral Theology must be considered afresh, and more understandingly related to the conditions of the modern world. It is here that our present system of theological education appears weakest.

One of the concluding recommendations of this report is that this vital subject be referred to the prolonged and careful investigation of a body empowered by this Convention. An effective solution undoubtedly will come through the studies of such a body, assisted by the Deans and faculties of our theological schools.
The Commission offers the following resolutions:

1. Resolved, The House of concurring, that the following new canon entitled "A National Board of Examiners" be adopted.

A NATIONAL BOARD OF EXAMINERS

Section I. There shall be a National Board of Examiners, consisting of seven Presbyters. They shall be appointed by General Convention, the House of Bishops nominating and the House of Deputies confirming, to hold office for three years from the first of January following the triennial meetings of General Convention. The Board is empowered to fill vacancies occurring between sessions of the General Convention.

Section II. The duties of the Board shall be:

(a) To secure information from time to time from the several Dioceses of the Church regarding standards and methods of Boards of Examining Chaplains.

(b) To prepare examination papers for those seeking admission as Candidates for Holy Orders, and for those seeking ordination to the Diaconate or Priesthood, and to submit such examination papers to the Board of Examining Chaplains of the several Dioceses as minimum requirements. The Board shall also supply samples of such examination papers to the faculties of the Church seminaries, in order to secure a degree of uniformity in theological preparation.

(c) When requested by the Bishop and Board of Examining Chaplains of any Diocese the National Board of Examiners may conduct any examinations required by the Canons of the Church.

(d) Reports of the duties performed by the National Board of Examiners shall be made to the House of Bishops not less than once in three years.

II. Resolved, The House of concurring, that Canon 7, Section IV be amended by the addition of the following subsection:

(e) A certificate from the theological seminary where he has been studying, or from the clergyman under whose direction he has been pursuing his studies, showing that he has completed all the studies required by the Canons, and is otherwise qualified to serve in the Ministry of this Church.

III. Resolved, The House of concurring, that the need for enlarging and strengthening the Divinity School of the Pacific is hereby recognized, and is commended to the Commission on Theological Education as a subject for special study, the results of such study to be reported to the next General Convention.

IV. Resolved, The House of concurring, that, whereas this Commission believes that there are too many seminaries and their resources might add strength to the education of our ministry, and whereas it is impossible to make specific recommendations without thorough study of each institution, which would be expensive, therefore the Commission recommends an appropriation for this purpose if it is desired to go further with this inquiry.
V. *Resolved*, The House of ............. concurring, that it is the sense of this General Convention that no new theological seminary be established during the next three years.

VI. *Resolved*, The House of ............. concurring, that the Joint Commission on Theological Education be continued.

For action on above see page 369.

R. E. L. StRIDER, Chairman.

COMMISSION TO CONSIDER THE PRESENT FACILITIES FOR THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION

THE RIGHT REV. R. E. L. STRIDER, D.D., Chairman
THE RIGHT REV. HENRY W. HOBSON, D.D.
THE RIGHT REV. EDW. L. PARSONS, D.D.
THE RIGHT REV. FRANK E. WILSON, D.D.
THE RIGHT REV. WM. G. McDOwELL, D.D.
THE REV. KARL M. BLOCK, D.D. (Mo.)
THE REV. SAMUEL S. DREbY, L.H. D. (N. H.)
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MR. CHARLES P. TaFT (S. O.)
WALTER HULLIHEN, Ph.D. (Del.)
WARREN KEARNEY, D.C.L. (La.)

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APPENDIX XXXI.

TREASURER'S REPORT

STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS FOR THE PERIOD FROM OCTOBER 1, 1934 TO SEPTEMBER 15, 1937

**Receipts**

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# Sales:
- **Budget and Program**: $155.70
- **Journal, Constitution and Canons**: 778.33
- **Pastoral Letter**: 4.21

**Total Sales**: $938.24

**Contributions to Commission on Marriage and Divorce**: $220.02

**Proceeds from Sales of Securities**: 20,587.31

**Proceeds from Satisfaction of Mortgages**: 10,000.00

**Proceeds from Matured Bond**: 1,000.00

**Total Receipts**: $86,459.82

**Cash Balance October 1, 1934**: $28,700.35

**Total**: $115,160.17

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## Disbursements

### Salaries:
- **The Rev. F. J. Clark**: 3,300.00
- **The Rev. C. L. Pardee, D.D.**: 2,100.00
- **The Rev. K. M. Block, D.D.**: 300.00
- **The Rev. J. H. Fitzgerald**: 300.00
- **The Rev. J. G. Glass**: 300.00
- **Mr. W. S. Slack**: 450.00
- **Mrs. J. S. Lally**: 300.00

**Total**: $34,549.98

### The Church Pension Fund:
- **The Rev. C. L. Pardee, D.D.**: $157.50
- **The Rev. F. J. Clark**: 67.50

**Total**: $225.00

### Committee on Canons:
- 80.47

### Commission on Deaconesses:
- 15.44

### Commission on Ecclesiastical Court:
- 77.23

### Commission on Marriage and Divorce:
- 140.10

### Committee on National and International Problems:
- 83.21

### Committee on Unemployment:
- 1.25

### Commission on Closer Relations with Presbyterians, Methodists and Lutherans:
- 15.00

### Joint Commission on National Organization Laymen:
- 45.00

### Joint Commission on Status of the Negro:
- 50.96

### Joint Commission on Historical Magazine:
- 1,000.00

### Liturgical Commission:
- 47.17

### Committee on Memorials (Deceased Members):
- 7.96

### Mission Service Book Committee:
- 111.70

**Total**: $1,675.49

### Stationery, Printing and Postage:
- **The House of Bishops**: $649.00
- **The House of Deputies**: 571.15

**Total**: $1,220.15

### Budget and Program:
- 1,306.35

### Custodian—Book of Common Prayer:
- 54.18

### General Convention Expense:
- 1,147.65
Historiographer—The Rev. E. Clowes Chorley, D.D. $ 600.00
Interest on Treasury Bonds purchased 10.42
Journal, Constitution and Canons 3,958.67
Miscellaneous Expense 451.94
Pastoral Letter 100.69
Expenses of Recorder 80.00
Registrar—Consecration of Bishops (Rev. C. L. Pardee) 219.15
Traveling Expense—Secretary House of Bishops 581.12
Treasurer's Office 1,500.00
Securities Purchased 38,477.58

Total Disbursements $ 86,158.37
Cash Balance September 15, 1937 $ 29,001.80

Total $115,160.17

For action on the above see page 376.

STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES
SEPTEMBER 15, 1937

RESOURCES

Cash in Banks:
Brooklyn Trust Company $23,442.09
First National Bank of Jersey City 5,559.71 $ 29,001.80

Endowment Fund Securities:
$7,000 International and Great Northern Railroad Co. First Mortgage 30 year 6% Gold Bonds 1952 7,224.00
$3,000 New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Company Convertible Gold Debentures 6% 1948 3,002.25
$3,000 New York, Ontario & Western Railroad Company Refunding Mortgage 4% Gold Bonds 1992 2,454.55
$10,000 Guaranteed Mortgage Certificate Clark and Willow Street Corp. 5½% 3/1/36 10,000.00
$10,100 Guaranteed Mortgage Certificate Richard W. Duggan, Inc. 5½% 6/1/34 10,100.00
$5,000 United States Treasury Bonds 2½% 1949-1953 4,900.00 37,680.80

Reserve Fund Securities:
$20,000 United States Treasury Bonds 2¼ 1955-1960 20,000.00
South Brooklyn Savings Bank 7,500.00
Brooklyn Savings Bank 5,000.00 32,500.00

Total $ 99,182.60
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LIABILITIES

Endowment Fund .................................. $37,680.80

SURPLUS REVENUE

Balance, October 1, 1934.......................... $59,750.54
Less Transfers to Endowment Fund ............. 5,231.44

Plus Increase in Cash Balance ................... 301.45
Plus Increase in Investments ..................... 6,681.25

Balance September 15, 1937........................ $61,501.80

Total .............................................. $99,182.60

APPENDIX XXXII.

GENERAL CONVENTION 1937

REPORT OF THE COMMISSION TO CONSIDER CANONS FOR
THE TRIAL AND SENTENCE OF BISHOPS, PRIESTS AND
DEACONS WITH A VIEW OF CLARIFYING AND
SIMPLIFYING THE SAME

This Commission was appointed in 1925 at the Convention in New
Orleans in pursuance of the following resolution passed by the House
of Deputies and concurred in by the House of Bishops:

"Resolved, That a Commission consisting of one Bishop, one Pres-
byter, and three laymen, the latter to be lawyers, be appointed for
the purpose of considering the procedure provided in Canons for the
trial and sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons, with a view of
clarifying and simplifying the same, and of reporting to the next
General Convention such changes and amendments of the Canons as
they may deem desirable."

The Commission appointed consisted of the Right Rev. Joseph Blount
Cheshire, Bishop of North Carolina, Rev. William D. Maxon, D.D., of
Michigan, Mr. Henry D. Harlan of Maryland, Mr. George W. Wickers-
ham of New York, and Mr. Origen S. Seymour of Long Island. The
Commission gave careful attention to the subject and reported at the
Convention in Washington in 1928. The Report was a document of
considerable length, and it was not reached until late in the session. On
the 13th day, the House of Bishops adopted a resolution, in which the
House of Deputies later concurred—"that the Report of the Commission
to consider Canons for the trial and sentence of Bishops, Priests and
Deacons with a view of clarifying and simplifying the same, be referred
back to the Commission with the request that it be printed and distributed

Journal, 1925, pp. 120, 289, 297.
at least 3 months before the meeting of the next General Convention."
Again the Commission studied the subject and prepared a full and comprehensive Report which was printed in advance of the Convention which met in Denver, and copies were distributed to the members of both Houses.

In the press of business the Report did not reach the floor of the House of Deputies for action until the 12th day of the session when many of the Deputies had left the Convention to return home. The Report contained a proposed Canon which was numbered 33 providing for an Ultimate Court of Appeals. The adoption of the whole Report was recommended by the Committee on Canons. Objection to the Report on the floor was confined to the establishment of this Court, and a vote was taken first on the adoption of Canon 33 by Orders and Dioceses, and the resolution of the Committee on Canons to adopt Canon 33 was lost by the following vote:

| Clerical—Ayes | 27½ | Noes | 43   | —Divided, 5 |
| Lay           | —Ayes, 24 | —Noes, 25½ | —Divided, 5 |

The remainder of the Report with necessary amendments to delete references made to the Court of Appeals was then adopted as presented by the Commission and being communicated to the House of Bishops was likewise adopted by the House of Bishops, and the Canons with reference to the trial and sentence of Bishops, Priests and Deacons as so adopted are published in the Journal of 1931, and in the Journal of 1934. The Commission was not discharged and at the Convention at Atlantic City in 1934, it made a brief report in which it reaffirmed its judgment as to the vital necessity of establishing an Ultimate Court of Appeals, but did not deem it timely to press for a reconsideration of the proposed Canon on a Court of Appeals at that time. This Report was signed by all of the members of the Commission except the Right Rev. Joseph Blount Cheshire, whose lamented death had occurred on the 27th of December, 1933.

The Convention at Atlantic City adopted a resolution continuing the Commission to report at the next Convention, and the Right Rev. Alexander Mann, D.D., Bishop of Pittsburgh, was appointed a member of the Commission in the place of Bishop Cheshire, deceased.

In pursuance of this resolution the Commission has again considered the subject, and now in a Report signed by all the members of the Commission except the late George W. Wickersham, that outstanding lawyer, layman and citizen, whose lamented death occurred January 25, 1936, and who was one of the most earnest advocates of the Court of Appeals, unanimously states that in its judgment the time is ripe for a new consideration of a Canon establishing an Ultimate Court of Appeals. Such a Court is in the considered opinion of this Commission a matter of the highest importance. Under the present Canons of the Church a Deacon or Priest may be tried by a Diocesan Court, convicted and sentenced on a matter of doctrine, faith or worship without any right of appeal to any Court, while on the other hand a Bishop convicted in a Trial Court of holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church may appeal to a Court of Review for the Trial of a Bishop, and if the conviction is sustained may not be sentenced until said finding shall have

Journal, 1931, p. 349.
been approved by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops canonically assembled in the House of Bishops and entitled to vote. This seems to us unequal, unfair and unjust. Nor can we consent to the argument that to establish an Ultimate Court of Appeals will multiply ecclesiastical trials to the injury of the Church. The object of Courts is to do equal justice and to decide the right without discrimination. Nor can we be sympathetic to the suggestion that the Church does not want a Court whose decisions will fix or crystalize doctrine. Is this great Church so timid as to be fearful to declare its doctrine, its faith, its worship, or to have the meaning of the language in which the same is expressed defined? As the situation now stands, we may have Diocesan Courts in different Dioceses deciding questions of doctrine, faith and worship in trials of Deacons and Priests and deciding them differently, and are without a tribunal in which such conflicting decisions can be reviewed or reconciled. The situation is comparable to one which would exist if we had Federal Courts in Federal Districts deciding questions of constitutional law differently (as has been the case), and there were no Supreme Court of the United States. We would then have the Constitution meaning one thing in one Federal District and another thing in another District. Nor is the argument that the doctrine would be rendered fixed and unchangeable sound. For the General Convention is not only the supreme law-making body of the Protestant Episcopal Church, but on questions of doctrine, faith or worship it is not bound not to change any part of its faith or worship by reason of any Ecclesiastical Court decision, and can itself in its power to change its Prayer Book, its Creeds, its liturgy, its rubrics, so long as it proceeds in accordance with the provisions of its Constitution, change the meaning which has been given to any part of its doctrine, faith or worship by the decision of any of its Ecclesiastical Courts.

Therefore, your Commission presents again for the consideration of the Convention, a Canon for the establishment of an Ultimate Court of Appeals. Such a Court is authorized by the Constitution in language which many regard as mandatory and not merely directory. Before presenting the proposed Canon it may be well to briefly summarize its important provisions. The Canon will provide that:

The Court of Appeals shall consist of the whole House of Bishops canonically assembled to have jurisdiction only over appeals requiring the decision of questions of doctrine, discipline or worship, but before the House of Bishops can take up such an appeal, the record must be examined by a Judicial Commission which is set up to digest the appeal, to hear the parties and their counsel, and having deliberately considered the same to report in writing to the House of Bishops their findings on each charge in which the majority of the Judicial Commission concur. The Judicial Commission shall consist of five Bishops, five Presbyters and five Laymen appointed by the House of Bishops, subject to approval by the House of Deputies. The House of Bishops is not bound by their report, though they may not act without it. Having this report, the House of Bishops sitting as a Court of Appeals shall determine the questions presented by the record. Upon considering the same, with the report of the Judicial Commission the concurrence of two-thirds of all the Bishops canonically assembled in the House and entitled to vote, other than those excluded from voting in the case as presenter, or as related to the accused, shall be necessary to a decision. If such concurrence shall not be had, no further action shall be taken in any Canonical Court against the accused upon the same state of facts. The Canon contains carefully drawn procedural provisions for bringing the appeal
into Court, for its hearing by the Judicial Commission, and by the Court of Appeals, for notice to the parties, and for recording and making effective the final determination.

Therefore the Commission unanimously and earnestly recommends that a new Canon to be entitled “The Court of Appeals” to be known as 32A, and to come in after Canon 32, be adopted in the following form:

**CANON 32A.**

**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. 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 29; 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
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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.
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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 the 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 Presbyter 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 38.

§ XIV. The House of Bishops shall keep a record of its proceedings 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.

Your Commission also recommends that if Canon 32A be adopted the following amendments in other Canons to harmonize them with the new Canon be adopted, namely:

I. **Resolved**, the House of Bishops concurring, that Canon 29, Section XII, be amended by insertion after that sentence of the same which reads—"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"—the following words:

> "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."

said words to come in before the words—"All records remitted as herein provided shall be deposited and be preserved among the archives of the jurisdiction to which they are sent."

II. **And** that Section XVI of the same Canon be amended by changing the period at the end of the same to a semi-colon, and adding the following words:

> "and the determination of such Court shall be final unless modified or reversed by the determination of the Court of Appeals."

III. **And** that Section XIX, sub-section (1) of the same Canon be amended by inserting in the same the words:

> "other than the Court of Appeals"

so that the same shall read:

> "(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."

IV. **And** that Section XXII of the same Canon be amended by inserting in the first line thereof, after the words "The various Courts," the words:

> "except as otherwise provided in the Canon establishing the Court of Appeals"

so that said sentence shall read:

> "The various Courts, except as otherwise provided in the Canon establishing 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 regulate the number of counsel who may address the Court or examine witnesses."
V. And that Section XXIV of the same Canon be amended by inserting after the words—"and of the Court of Review of the Trial of a Bishop," the words:

"and of the Court of Appeals"

so that the end of said Section shall read:

"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."

VI. And that Section VII of Canon 31 be amended by inserting in the third paragraph thereof, after the words now reading—"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"—the following words:

"or in the Court of Appeals."

VII. And that Section V of Canon 32 be amended, so that the proviso at the end thereof shall be changed so as to read as follows:

"Provided, further, that if no appeal has been taken to the Court of Appeals, sentence shall not be imposed upon a Bishop found guilty of holding and teaching doctrine contrary to that held by this Church unless and until the said findings shall have been approved by a vote of two-thirds of all the Bishops canonically assembled in said House, and entitled to vote."

VIII. And that Section III of Canon 38 be amended by inserting a new section to come in after Section III (i) to be numbered (ii), to read as follows:

"(ii) If a Presbyter or Deacon is liable to sentence under a judgment of the Court of Appeals, the sentence to be pronounced, the Bishop to pronounce the same, and the procedure to be followed in connection therewith, shall be as in the Canon which establishes such Court of Appeals provided."

and the present sub-sections of said paragraph III (ii), (iii), (iv), and (v) shall be renumbered—(iii), (iv), (v) and (vi).

IX. And that Canon 38, Section V which now reads:

"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."

shall be amended so as to read:

"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."
X. Your Commission also recommends that whether the proposed
Canon 32A be adopted or be not adopted, that the following Resolution
be adopted:

Resolved, the House of Bishops concurring, that Section V of
Canon 29 be amended by striking out from the same the proviso
which read as follows:

"Provided, however, that until after the establishment of an ulti­
mate Court of Appeal as permitted by Article IX of the Constitution,
no Court of Review shall determine any question of doctrine, faith
or worship."

Respectfully submitted, to be made public in advance of the Convention
in accordance with Joint Rule 4.

(Signed) ALEXANDER MANN, Chairman.
(Signed) WILLIAM D. MAXON
(Signed) ORIGEN S. SEYMOUR
(Signed) HENRY D. HARLAN

For action on above see page 183.

APPENDIX XXXIII.

REPORT OF JOINT COMMISSION FOR CONFERENCE WITH
THE METHODIST, PRESBYTERIAN, AND LUTHERAN
CHURCHES ON CHRISTIAN MORALITY IN RELATION
TO ORGANIC UNITY, AND CONFER WITH THE REP­
RESENTATIVES OF THESE OTHER COMMUN­
IONS UPON LINES OF APPROACH TO UNITY
OTHER THAN SPECIFICALLY MORAL

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Your Commission begs to report that four regular meetings have been
held within the three years; in addition, several meetings have been held
by committees of the Commission with representatives of one or the other
of the Communions concerned.

1. LUTHERAN CHURCHES

Approaches have been made during the last triennium to several of the
Lutheran synods for the purpose of opening up conferences of a pre­
liminary character. A cordial response was received from the United
Synod and their Committee on Church Unity stands ready to meet with
this Commission whenever convenient. However, largely for geographical
reasons the first actual conference was held with representatives of the
Augustana Synod. The sessions were held at the Seabury-Western Sem­
inary, in Evanston, Ill., extending over a period of a day and a half on
December 5 and 6, 1935. A careful stenographic report was made of all
three sessions, which is now a matter of record, and a set of summarized
findings was published in the Church press. This Conference revealed a
surprising unanimity on the subjects of the Holy Scriptures, the historic
creeds, and the sacraments. Differences on the matter of Holy Orders
were frankly faced and the way left open for further discussions. Num­
merous suspicions were laid and many misconceptions were cleared away.
Progress will be necessarily slow in this direction but the prospect is
encouraging.

2. THE METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Your Commission has been in conference with the Methodist Episcopal
Co-Mission on Unity and, having found a large measure of agreement,
are proceeding with the conversations.

3. THE REFORMED EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Within the past few months the Commission has been in correspondence
with leaders of the Reformed Episcopal Church with a view to asking
authority from this Convention to open negotiations with this body. The
response has been excellent and a Committee on Church Unity of the
Reformed Episcopal Church stands ready to meet with this Commission
as soon as such authority is granted. This step seems so obviously logical
that we believe no time should be lost in making some sort of formal
approach to these separated brethren. We find ourselves in an anomalous
situation when we enter upon negotiations with other Christian bodies
without first exerting every effort to heal this most recent breach in our
own Communion. The Reformed Episcopal Church offers a unique op­
portunity for an expression of desire for unity on our part which the
Commission believes should not be ignored or postponed.

4. THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

The Commission has for the past two years been considering the
framing of a concordat with the Presbyterian Church in the U.S.A. The
Commission of that Church has been in constant touch with representatives
of our Commission and we have made good progress. We have not,
however, reached agreement on some of the points involved. We therefore
present now to General Convention a resolution embodying the declaration
upon the part of the two bodies that they purpose to achieve union, be­
lieving it to be the Will of God, and intend to carry on negotiations with
that definite purpose before them. In the judgment of your Commission
this declaration is of primary importance. Hitherto for fifty years we
have conferred from time to time with representatives of that Church
endeavoring of course to find ways of approach to one another; but all
such conferences will take on a different aspect if there are consistent
efforts to carry out a declared purpose.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, the General Convention of
the Protestant-Episcopal Church in the United States of America, acting
with full realization of the significance of its proposal, hereby invites the
Presbyterian Church in the United States of America to join with it in
accepting the following declaration:
The two Churches, one in the faith of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Word of God, recognizing the Holy Scripture as the supreme rule of faith, accepting the two Sacraments ordained by Christ, and believing that the visible unity of Christian Churches is the Will of God, hereby formally declare their purpose to achieve organic union between the respective Churches.

Upon the basis of these agreements the two Churches agree to take immediate steps toward the framing of plans whereby this end may be achieved.

Resolved further, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Presiding Bishop be and hereby is requested to convey this invitation to the authorities of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Commission be continued.

Resolved Further, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Commission on Approaches to Unity be instructed to enter upon the negotiations contemplated in the invitation and report a plan to the next Convention.

Resolved, The House of Bishops concurring, that the Commission on Approaches to Unity be authorized to enter upon negotiations with representatives of the Reformed Episcopal Church.

For action on above see page 378.

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RULES OF ORDER—HOUSE OF BISHOPS—AS AMENDED

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
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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

I. When the Presiding Officer shall have taken the chair, new members may be introduced, as on the first day. The roll shall then be called, after which the House shall be bidden to prayer; but after the third day of the session the roll shall not be called unless by order of the House. The minutes of the last meeting shall then be read by the Secretary and acted upon by the House.
II. On the second day of the session, after Prayers, the Presiding Bishop shall lay before the House a statement of his official acts during the recess of the General Convention.

III. On the days when the Bishops are expected to meet with the Deputies and others in Joint Session during any part of the forenoon, the first business shall be the consideration of such matters as the Committee on the Despatch of Business shall report as urgently demanding attention. After that shall follow consideration of Messages from the House of Deputies not disposed of, and a call for reports from Standing Committees; then may follow any other business for which time shall remain. If the Joint Session shall adjourn before the customary hour for adjournment of the House of Bishops, the House shall resume its sitting. Any part of this rule may be suspended by a majority vote.

IV. The business of the House shall be disposed of in the order following:

a. Communications from the Presiding Bishop.
b. Report of Committee on Despatch of Business.
c. Petitions and Memorials.
d. Messages from the House of Deputies not yet disposed of.
e. Motions of reference.
f. Reports from other Standing Committees in the order in which the Committees are named in the third General Rule.
g. Reports of Commissions.
h. Reports from Special Committees.
i. Miscellaneous Business.

V. The Secretary shall keep a Calendar of Business, on which reports from Committees, resolutions which lie over, and other matters undisposed of, indicating the subject of each item, shall be placed in the order in which they are presented, a printed copy of which Calendar shall be furnished to each member.

VI. The Order of the Day shall be taken up at the hour appointed, unless postponed by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

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

VII. Bishops invited to honorary seats may be introduced by the Presiding Officer whenever no other business occupies the House.

GENERAL RULES

I. As an indication of our humble dependence upon the Word and Spirit of God, and following the example of Primitive Councils, a copy of the Holy Scriptures shall always be reverently placed in view at the meetings of this House.

II. There shall be added to other Religious Services of this House the administration of the Holy Communion once in every week.

III. Committees shall be appointed by the Presiding Officer of the House, unless otherwise ordered. The Bishop first named on a Committee shall act as its convener, and each Committee at its first meeting shall
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 having first been entrusted to the Secretary, and submitted to the approval of the Presiding Officer.

VI. All resolutions shall be reduced to writing, and no motion shall be considered as before the House until seconded.

VII. Members in discussion shall address the Chair, and shall confine themselves to the point in debate. No member shall speak more than twice in the same debate without leave of the House.

VIII. Every member present shall, on a division, be counted, unless personally interested in the question to be decided. When, in taking a question, the Presiding Officer's vote produces a tie, the motion shall be considered as lost.

IX. When it is proposed to give consent to the consecration or confirmation of a Bishop-elect or of a Bishop Coadjutor-elect or of a Suffragon 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 assemblage of Catholic Bishops, and considering and acting upon matters of duty or responsibility resting on them as a portion of the universal Episcopate, may be convened at any time, suitable notice being given by the Presiding Bishop or the Vice-Chairman of the House of Bishops.

Words spoken by anyone 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 not. 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.

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.

*See Collect, Epistle and Gospel on pages 588 and 589.
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XXX. When any vacancy in the missionary episcopate is to be considered or filled at any special meeting of the House, notice to this effect shall be given in the call of such meeting, together with an invitation to the Bishops to send to the Secretary of the House any names of persons suggested for the vacancy. In such case, three weeks before the special meeting, the Secretary shall notify confidentially each Bishop of the names so suggested. The ballot for the choice of any such vacancy shall not, without unanimous consent, be taken at a special meeting until at least the first day, nor at a meeting of the General Convention until at least the second day, after such names and any others which may be offered shall have been presented in the House; and it is recommended that the administration of the Holy Communion precede the ballot. 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 renomination; but if new names are introduced, the order prescribed above shall be repeated.

5. In the case of the proposed transfer of a Bishop in Charge of a Missionary District to another District, the action shall be by ballot after the celebration of the Holy Communion, as in the case of the election of Missionary Bishops.

6. 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 questions 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 Conventions 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

1. WHEREAS, By provisions of Canon 13, Section I, [ii.], [iii.], and Canon 14, Section II, [iii.], the Presiding Bishop of the House is empowered to take order for the ordination and consecration of Diocesan and Missionary Bishops, either in his own person or by commission issued to three Bishops:

   It is hereby ordered that, in all cases of Episcopal consecrations, the place for the same, if not in the Diocese or Jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop or of the Bishop appointed by him to preside at the solemnity, shall be designated only with the consent of the Bishop in whose Diocese or Jurisdiction it is; that the Bishop-elect shall have the right to designate the preacher and the two Bishops by whom he is to be presented; and that, in the absence of the Presiding Bishop, the Senior Bishop of this Church present at any consecration of a Bishop is the Bishop presiding for that solemnity, unless some other Bishop shall have been assigned to such service on any special occasion by the Presiding Bishop or by the Bishops present at the consecration.

II. Seniority among the Bishops is according to the time of the Consecration of each Bishop.

III. The opening service of the General Convention and the selection of the preacher shall be in charge of the Presiding Bishop, the Vice-Chairman of the House of Bishops, and the Bishop of the Diocese wherein the Convention is to be held.

IV. The House of Bishops shall assemble on every morning during the period of the General Convention, except the Lord’s Day, for business, unless adjournment beyond that morning has been ordered by the vote of the House.

V. The daily session of this House shall be closed with the Benediction, pronounced by the Bishop presiding.

VI. Two or more of the Bishops shall be appointed at each General Convention to take charge, together with the Secretary of the House of Bishops, of the Journal of its proceedings, and to see that the whole, or such parts of it as the House may direct, be entered in its proper place in the Journal of the General Convention.

VII. The Standing Committee on the Nomination of Missionary Bishops shall receive any information touching 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
Keeping a Record of members and officers of the House

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.

XII. At every meeting of the House of Bishops a seat for the Chairman of the Committee on Despatch of Business shall be assigned near the front of the House.

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.
RULES OF ORDER—HOUSE OF BISHOPS

OFFICES OF DEVOTION

I.

A Form of Devotion for the Daily Sessions of the House

1. A Lesson from Holy Scripture.
2. The Lord be with you.
   Ans. And with they spirit.
   O Lord, show they mercy upon us.
   Ans. And grant us they salvation.
   O God, make clean our hearts within us.
   Ans. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.
   O God the Father of Heaven; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
   O God the Father of Heaven, have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
   O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
   O God the Son, Redeemer of the world; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
   O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
   O God the Holy Ghost, proceeding from the Father and the Son; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
   O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
   O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, three Persons and one God; have mercy upon us miserable sinners.
   O God the Holy Ghost, we, thine unworthy servants, most humbly beseech thee to be our Light and Strength in our present work. Come to us and teach us what to do, that by thy help we may please thee in all things. Let not ignorance draw us astray, nor respect of persons corrupt our doings. Illuminate our minds and sanctify our hearts. O Blessed Spirit, whom, with the Father and the Son together, we worship and glorify as one God, world without end. Amen.

Collect

O blessed Saviour, the Lord of the harvest, who knowest that the labourers are few; We beseech thee, according to thy most sure word of promise, to send forth labourers into thy harvest, to our comfort and thy great glory.

Ans. We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
Our Father, etc.
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, etc.

or this

1. A Lesson from Holy Scripture.
2. The Creed.
3. Gloria Patri, to be said or sung.
4. Collect

O God, who dost teach the hearts of thy faithful people by sending to them the light of thy Holy Spirit; Grant us, thy servants, the Bishops and Pastors of thy flock, by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort: through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

5. Collect for the First Sunday after the Epiphany

O Lord, we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers of thy people who call upon thee; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfill the same; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

6. Collect for St. Peter's Day

O Almighty God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst give to thy Apostle Saint Peter many excellent gifts, and commandest him earnestly to feed thy flock; Make, we beseech thee, all Bishops and Pastors diligently to preach thy holy Word, and the people obediently to follow the same, that they may receive the crown of everlasting glory, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

7. Also the following Prayer

Bless, O gracious Father, thy Holy Catholic Church; fill it with truth and grace; where it is corrupt, purge it; where it is in error, direct it; where it is superstitious, rectify it; where it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen and confirm it; where it is divided and rent asunder, heal the breaches of it, O thou Holy One of Israel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

8. Our Father, etc.

9. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, etc.

II.

A Form to be used before balloting for a Prebyter to be chosen for a Missionary Bishopric

1. Lesson, to be read by a Bishop designated by the Presiding Bishop, to wit: Exodus iv. 1-12; Isaiah vi. 1-8; Acts xx. at verse 17; or Revelation vii. at verse 9.

2. Veni, Creator Spiritus, the form provided in the Hymn of the Revised Hymnal, or the form in the Office for the Ordering of Priests.

3. The Lord be with you.
   Ans. And with thy spirit.

4. Secret prayer, for which there shall silence be kept for a space.

5. The Lord's Prayer.

6. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, etc.
A Form to be used when the House is ready to vote on the Confirmation of a Bishop elect

The Presiding Bishop shall bid the House to prayer, and after silence shall have been kept for a space, he shall say:

1. The Collect for the Fifth Sunday after the Epiphany.
2. The Collect for the Ninth Sunday after Trinity.
3. The Collect for the Nineteenth Sunday after Trinity.
4. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, etc.


THE COLLECT

O Lord, who knowest the hearts of all men: Mercifully guide and govern the minds of us thy servants, Bishops and Pastors of thy flock, that we may faithfully and wisely make choice of a fit person to serve in this same office and Ministry to the glory of thine Name and the edifying and well-governing of thy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE EPISTLE

Acts 13:1-5

Now there were at Antioch, in the church that was there, prophets and teachers, Barnabas, and Symeon that was called Niger, and Lucius of Cyrene, and Manaen, the foster-brother of Herod the tetrarch, and Saul. And as they ministered to the Lord, and fasted, the Holy Ghost said, Separate me Barnabas and Saul for the work whereunto I have called them. Then, when they had fasted and prayed and laid their hands on them, they sent them away. So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, went down to Seleucia; and from thence they sailed to Cyprus.

THE GOSPEL

St. John 15:12-17

This is my commandment, that ye love one another, even as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends. Ye are my friends, if ye do the things which I command you. No longer do I call you servant; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth; but I have called you friends; for all things that I heard from my Father I have made known unto you. Ye did not choose me, but I chose you, and appointed you, that ye should go and bear fruit, and that your fruit should abide: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

The following Report of the Committee on Religious Services was adopted by the House of Bishops on October 14, 1919 (page 79 of the Journal):

Inasmuch as the English Version of the Holy Scriptures commonly known as "The Marginal Readings Bible" has special authorization from the Church for use in public worship, your Committee recommends that this Version be used for reading the Lessons at all services arranged by the House of Bishops.
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APPENDIX XXXV.
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, § 1. [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 shall 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 undisposable 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 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 recommit, (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.
21. (a) There shall be no debate upon any of the following motions, viz.: (1) to refer any matter or resolution to a standing committee, (2) to re-commit, without instructions, any pending committee report, (3) to lay on the table, (4) to take from the table, (5) to take a vote immediately or at a fixed time, (6) to adjourn unqualifiedly, (7) to extend limits of debate, (8) of an objection to consideration, (9) for a recess, (10) to permit a change of vote, (11) to permit the withdrawal of a motion.

(b) Any member may speak, not more than two minutes, on the following motions, (1) to adjourn to a time certain, (2) to fix a time at which to adjourn, (3) to postpone to a definite time, or (4) to take up a question out of its order, (5) to suspend the Rules.

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?"

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.

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 considera-
tion 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 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 requiring concurrent action, shall be introduced in this House
after the tenth legislative day of its session.

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 ballot-
ing 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 Con-
vention or their representatives, by members of the House of Bishops, and
such other persons as by special vote of the Convention shall be so author-
ized.

40. No one shall be admitted to the floor except members and officers
of this House or of the General Convention; former members of the
House, the Presidents of Church Colleges, Deans of Church Seminaries;
and the Officers, Secretaries and Members of the National Council, the
President of this House may further grant to any designated representa-
tive of any of the departments of the National Council the privilege of
speaking, on the same footing as a member of the House, on any matter
pertaining to the work of their department which is under discussion by
the House.

41. Except with the assent of three-fourths of the members present,
the House shall not accept any invitation, or participate in any exercises,
which shall involve suspension, interruption or abridgement of its regular appointed sessions.

42. Except when otherwise ordered by the House, no books, pamphlets, or other printed matter shall be distributed in the House, or be placed in the seats of the members, without the express permission of the President; but this prohibition shall not apply to the report of a Committee, or to any paper or other document presented to and accepted by the House or printed by its authority.

43. No rule shall be suspended without the assent of two-thirds of the members present.

44. By unanimous consent any action may be taken that is not in contravention of any provision of the Constitution or the Canons.

STANDING ORDERS

I. Previous to the meeting of each General Convention, the Secretary of the House of Deputies in the last Convention, under the direction of the Deputies from the Diocese in which the Convention is to be held, shall determine by lot the seats to be occupied by the Deputation from each Diocese and Missionary District. Missionary Districts shall be taken alphabetically in groups of four, and in the allotment each group shall be treated as one Diocese.

II. The names of Deputies who have not answered at the roll call, or who have not later signified their presence to the Secretary, shall be noted as absent in the List of members, as printed in the Journal.

III. Proper notice boards shall be provided by the Secretary to be placed near the Secretary's desk and in a prominent place in the lobby, upon which shall be posted notices of all the meetings of Committees or Commissions of the House.

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.


PARLIAMENTARY MANUAL FOR THE
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I. CONSTITUTIONAL RULES.

   (a) Presbyters must be canonically resident in their Dioceses.
   (b) Lay Deputies must be communicants, and must have (legal) domicile in their Dioceses.

2. Quorum of House—Const. Art. I, Sec. 4
   Requires that 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. I, Sec. 4
   (a) When a Vote by Orders is demanded by the entire Clerical or Lay Representation from any Diocese. Const. Art. I, Sec. 4
   (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 a 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. Const. Art. I, Sec. 4
4. Adjournments—Any number less than a quorum may adjourn the
House from day to day. Neither of the Houses, without consent of
the other, can adjourn for more than three days, nor to any place
other than that where the Convention is sitting. Const. Art. Sec. 5

II. CANONICAL RULES.

1. Assembling of Convention—House to be called to order by the
former Secretary or an Assistant Secretary, etc., etc., who shall
declare whether a quorum present. Record of names filed with
Secretary by Dioceses is prima facie evidence of persons entitled.
Canon 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. [i]

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. [i]

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 sub­
jects of their respective offices. Canon 49, Sec. I. [v]

6. Committee on Canons and Committee on Amendments to Constitu­
tion, 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 62, 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 con­
travention 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 con­
sidered. Rule 14
5. Interruption, Etc., of Sessions—House cannot accept Invitations or participate in Exercises involving Suspension, Interruption or Abridgment of its regular sessions, unless so ordered by three-fourths vote. Rule 41

6. New Business—No New Business requiring concurrent action can be introduced after the 10th legislative day of the session, 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. Rule 2
   (b) The Minutes shall be read daily at openings of sessions, unless reading omitted by majority vote. Rule 2, Rule 9

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— Exceptions— Rule 12
   (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 on the following motions: (1) to adjourn to a time certain, (2) to fix a time at which to adjourn, (3) to postpone to a definite time, (4) to take up a question out of its order, (5) to suspend the Rules, (6) on Appeals from Rulings 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 amendable, (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)

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.

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:

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. Rule 21
   (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 it is 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 19
   (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 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

(b) 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. Rule 18
   (c) Not amendable. Rule 19 (1)
   (d) Cannot be laid on table.

4. Motion to Refer to a Standing Committee, Etc. Rule 21
   (a) Not debatable.
   (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

XI. VOTING BY DIOCESES AND ORDERS. WHEN? Rule 28
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 Representation 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 Diocese or when so ordered by the House on Motion without debate. Rule 28

3. The Vote of Each Order Shall Be Announced by One Member of each as “Aye” or “No” or “Divided.” Rule 28

4. Vote by Either Order may be Corrected Before, but not After, Final Announcement of Vote of House. Rule 29

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.
      (1) May be made at any time. Rule 34 (a)
      (2) Has precedence over all other motions. Rule 34 (a)
      (3) Not debatable. Rule 34 (a)
      (4) Cannot be renewed until after further action is had in Committee. Rule 34 (a)
   (b) Motion to Take Vote at Time Certain—
      (1) May be made at any time. Rule 34 (b)
      (2) Not debatable. Rule 34 (b)

4. Note. No motion to adjourn can be made, and no vote by Orders can be had in Committee of the Whole.

XIV. JOINT COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS.

1. House of Deputies may refer matters to, but can not 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.
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(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 its 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
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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.

APPENDIX XXXVI.
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 1937, as provided in Canon, Section III., hereby certifies that the following changes were proposed, the same to be ratified by the General Convention of 1940:

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 XI. of the Constitution by adding in the fifth line after the word “Diocese” the words “and of the Convocation of every Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States”. And in the sixth line after the word “Convention” add the words “or the Missionary District Convocation”.

And in the eleventh line after the word “Dioceses” add the words “and of all the Missionary Districts within the boundaries of the United States”.

So that the Article, as amended, shall read:

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 to be sent to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese and of the Convocation of every
Missionary District within the boundaries of the United States, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention or the Missionary District Convocation at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses and of all the missionary districts within the boundaries of the United States entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders.

And the Committee further certifies that the following amendments proposed in 1934 were finally acted upon and ratified at the Convention of 1937:

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 I., Section 3, of the Constitution by striking out from the sixth line thereof the word "the", and in the seventh line thereof the words "entitled to vote in the House of Bishops"; and by inserting after the word "Bishops" the words "excluding retired Bishops not present"; so that said sentence shall read as follows:

"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 Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, 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."

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 VI., Section 2, so that the second paragraph thereof shall read as follows:

"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, save that in the case of retrocession of territory the consent of parishes within the territory retroceded shall not be necessary; 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."

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 X. so that the second sentence thereof shall read as follows:

"No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention
and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese 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 all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, 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."

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 XI. to read as follows:

"No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed at one triennial meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders."

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APPENDIX XXXVII.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE TO CERTIFY CHANGES IN 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 1937, as provided in Canon 62, Section II., hereby certifies that the following changes were made in the Canons by the said General Convention:

Amend Canon 1, Section I., Subsection [ii.] by inserting after the word "shall" in the second line of the second paragraph, the words following: "whenever possible, confer in person with the applicant, and shall"; and
further amend said paragraph in the fifth line thereof by striking out after the word "condition", the semi-colon and inserting a period; and by striking out the remainder of the paragraph and inserting the following: "The form of medical report prepared by the Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose.

A record of the report thereon shall be kept on file by the Bishop and shall be submitted to the Standing Committee, or Council of Advice, when application is made by the Postulant to become a Candidate".

Amend Canon 5 by striking out Section II. thereof and renumbering the following sections accordingly.

Amend Canon 7 by striking out Section II. thereof and renumbering the following sections accordingly.

Amend Canon 7 by inserting a new section to follow Section II. to be numbered Section III., to read as follows:

"III. Before the Ordination of a Deacon, 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. The form of medical report prepared by the Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose. This report shall be kept on file by the Bishop and shall be submitted to the Standing Committee or Council of Advice when application is made by the Candidate to be ordained Deacon."

The succeeding Sections of Canon 7 to be renumbered accordingly.

Further amend Canon 7, present Section IV. by inserting a new clause to be lettered "(e)" reading as follows:

"(e) A certificate from the theological seminary where he has been studying, or from the clergyman under whose direction he has been pursuing his studies, showing that he has completed all the studies required by the Canons, and is otherwise qualified to serve in the Ministry of this Church."

Amend Canon 14, Section II., Subsection [ii.] by deleting in the eighth line of said Subsection the words "one person" and inserting in the place thereof the words "not exceeding three persons".

Further amend Canon 14, Section II., Subsection [iii.] by deleting the word "second" before the word "form" in the fifth line of said Subsection.

Amend Canon 15, Section VII., Subsection [ii.] by adding a new paragraph at the end, reading as follows: "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."

Amend Canon 17, Section II., by striking out all that follows the word "office" in the third line of said Section, to the end of the sentence, and by inserting the words "until the first day of January succeeding the General Convention which follows his attainment of the age of sixty-eight years."

Further amend Canon 17 by inserting a new Section to be numbered III. to read as follows: "When a Diocesan Bishop is elected Presiding Bishop it shall be his duty to relinquish the administration of his Diocese sufficiently to enable him fully to perform his duties as Presiding Bishop."

The succeeding Sections of Canon 17 to be renumbered accordingly.

Amend Canon 18, Section III. by deleting the words “at least once in three years” and also by deleting the words “unless prevented by reasonable cause”, and by inserting, after the word “deliver” in line one, the words “from time to time at his discretion.”

Amend Canon 29, Section V. by striking out the last sentence thereof beginning: “Provided, however”.

Amend Canon 35, Section I., by inserting in the thirteenth line thereof after the word “Senior” the words “next in seniority”, and by inserting in said line after the word “Bishops” the words “having jurisdiction in the United States.”

Amend Canon 41, Section VI., Subsection [i.] by inserting in clause “(2)” after the word “free” the words “or legal”; and in clause “7” thereof after the word “impotence” the words “or sexual perversion”.

Amend Canon 47 by inserting after the word “Rubric” the words “or by the General Convention of this Church.”

Amend Canon 49, Section IV., Subsection [ii.] by deleting from the sixth and thirty-second lines thereof the word “fifteenth” and inserting in place thereof the word “thirtieth”, and further by inserting in the thirty-second line thereof after the word “resident”, the word “therein.”

Further amend Canon 49, Section VI. as follows: By inserting in the third line thereof after the word “Conventions” the words: “and of the Convocations of the several Missionary Districts”; by inserting in the sixth line thereof, after the word “Convention” the words “as to each Diocese”; by substituting in the eighth line for the words “in such Diocese” the word “therein”; further, by inserting in said eighth line after the word “therein” the words: “and as to each Missionary District an amount equal to one quarter of the above described Diocesan levy for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon canonically resident therein.”

Further amend Canon 49, Section VII. by substituting in the seventh line thereof for the word “September”, the word “January”.

Amend Canon 50, Section II. by deleting from the tenth line thereof the words: “to prepare” and by inserting said words in the thirteenth line thereof after the word “Convention”; by deleting in the seventeenth line thereof the words “and shall give”; and by adding in the twenty-fourth line thereof after the word “District” a new sentence reading: “Such information shall be tabulated separately for each of the three years.”

Amend Canon 52, Section VII. by deleting in the seventh, eighth and ninth lines thereof the sentence beginning “Each Province” and ending “shall be chosen”, and by inserting in the seventeenth line thereof after the word “Each” the words “Diocese and”.

Amend Canon 59, by striking out from Article III. the second, third and fourth sentences thereof and by substituting therefor the following: “The Presiding Bishop of the Church shall be the President of the Society; the Vice President shall be the person who is the Vice President of the National Council in executive charge (under the Presiding Bishop), of administration, and shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the By-laws.”
Amend Canon 60 as follows:

Substitute for Subsection [i.] of Section I. the following: "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 head."

Substitute for Section I., Subsection [ii.] the following: "the officers of the National Council shall be a President, a First and a Second Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, with such duties as the Council, pursuant to this Canon, from time to time, may prescribe."

Substitute for the existing last sentence of Subsection [i.] of Section II., the following sentence: "The President, the Vice Presidents, and the Treasurer of the Council shall be ex-officio members thereof." In same Subsection insert the word "the" before the words "General Convention" in lines seven and thirteen.

In the fourth paragraph of Subsection [ii.] of Section II., substitute the word "nominate" for the word "elect" in the fourth line thereof.

Strike out the entire present Section III. and all subsections thereof and substitute therefor the following:

Section III. The Presiding Bishop shall be ex-officio the President, and the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall be ex-officio the Treasurer, of the Council. The Council shall elect the First and the Second Vice President and the Secretary, such elections to be upon the nomination of the President. The additional officers, agents, and employees of the Council shall be such and shall perform such duties as the Presiding Bishop and the Council may from time to time designate.

Strike out present Sections IV. and V.

Renumber Section VI. as Section IV. and substitute for Subsection [i.] thereof the following: "The Council shall meet at such place and at such stated times at least four times each year as it shall appoint and at such other times as it may be convened. The Council shall be convened at the request of the President or on the written request of any nine members thereof.

Renumber Section VII. as Section V., and substitute for the present Subsection [i.] thereof, the following: "With the exception of the salary of the President the salaries of all officers of the Council and of all agents and employees of the Council, shall be fixed by the Council and paid by the Treasurer."

Renumber Section VIII. as Section VI. Substitute for Subsections [iii.] and [iv.] thereof the following:

[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 objectives shall be determined by the Council upon an equitable basis.

[iv.] Each Diocese and Missionary District shall thereupon notify each Parish and Mission of the amount of the objective allotted to such
Diocese or District, and the amount of such objective to be raised by each Parish or Mission. Each Diocese and Missionary District shall present to each parish and mission a total objective which shall include both its share of the proposed Diocesan Budget or that of the Missionary District and its share of the objective apportioned to the Diocese or Missionary District by the National Council in accordance with the plan adopted by the General Convention. The division of all funds which the Diocese or Missionary District receives for these purposes shall be strictly in accordance with the proportion which the total proposed budget of the Diocese or Missionary District bears to the total objective presented on behalf of the National Council.

Renumber Sections IX. to XII., inclusive, as Sections VII., VIII., IX. and X.

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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 Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, 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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**Section 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.

**Section 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.

**Section 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.

**Section 2.** No one shall be ordained and consecrated Bishop until he shall be thirty years of age; nor
without the consent of a majority of the Standing Committees of all the Dioceses, and the consent of a majority of the Bishops of this Church exercising 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
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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 proceedings and other docu-
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ments 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, save that in the case of retrocession of territory the consent of parishes within the territory retroceded shall not be necessary; 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
persons 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 Review of the determination of Diocesan or other trial Courts.

The Court for the review of the determination of the trial Court, on the trial of a Bishop, shall be composed of Bishops only.

The General Convention, in like manner may establish an ultimate Court of Appeal, solely for the review of the determination of any Court of Review on questions of Doctrine, Faith or Worship.

None but a Bishop shall pronounce sentence of admonition, or of suspension, deposition, or degradation from the Ministry, on any Bishop, Presbyter, or Deacon.

A sentence of suspension shall specify on what terms or conditions and at what time the suspension shall cease.

ARTICLE X.

The Book of Common Prayer and Administration of the Sacraments and other Rites and Ceremonies of the Church, together with the Psalter or Psalms of David, the Form and Manner of Making, Ordaining, and Consecrating Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, the Form of Consecration of a Church or Chapel, the Office of Institution of Ministers, and Articles of Religion, as now established or hereafter amended by the authority of this Church, shall be in use in all the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church. No alteration thereof or addition thereto shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed in one triennial meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent within six months to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese 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 Gen-
eral Convention at its next succeeding triennial meeting by a majority of all Bishops, excluding retired Bishops not present, 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.

And Provided, further, that nothing in this Article shall be construed as restricting the authority of the Bishops of this Church to take such order as may be permitted by the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer or by the Canons of the General Convention for the use of special forms of worship.

ARTICLE XI.

No alteration or amendment of this Constitution shall be made unless the same shall be first proposed at one triennial meeting of the General Convention and by a resolve thereof be sent to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, to be made known to the Diocesan Convention at its next meeting, and
be adopted by the General Convention at its next succeed­ing triennial meeting by a majority of all Bishops excluding retired Bishops not present, of the whole number of Bishops entitled to vote in the House of Bishops, and by a majority of the Clerical and Lay Deputies of all the Dioceses entitled to representation in the House of Deputies voting by orders.

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CANON 1.
Of Postulants.

§ I. [i.] Every person desiring to be admitted a Candidate for Holy Orders is, in the first instance, to consult his immediate Pastor, or, if he have none, some Presbyter to whom he is personally known, setting before him the grounds of his desire for admission to the Ministry, together with such circumstances as may bear on his qualifications, or tend to affect his course of preparation.

[ii.] If, as the result of a thorough inquiry into the physical, mental, moral and spiritual qualifications of the applicant, he is counselled by the 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 report in writing, his
qualifications, as stated above, for the work of the ministry.

Before the admission of a Postulant the Bishop shall whenever possible, confer in person with the applicant, and 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. The form of medical report prepared by the Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose.

A record of the report thereon shall be kept on file by the Bishop and shall be submitted to the Standing Committee, or Council of Advice, when application is made by the Postulant to become 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.
(c) A certificate from the Theological Seminary where he is studying, or from the clergyman under whose direction he is pursuing his studies, showing that he has completed one year's work satisfactorily and is otherwise qualified to serve in the ministry of this Church.

(d) 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

If parish has no Minister, Certificate may be signed by some Presbyter.
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.:
CANON 2.

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 concerning 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.

[iv.] 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 recommendation 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.

[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.
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| [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 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, |

| When Clerical members of the Standing Committee to act. |
| Candidate to remain in canonical connection with his own Diocese. |
| May have Letters Dimissory. |
| Attending Theological Seminary not a reason for change of canonical residence. |
| To report in each Ember Week. |
| To present himself for examination within three years. |
| Rejected Candidate to renew candidature before ordination. |
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§ V. A Candidate for Holy Orders shall not be a Deputy to the General Convention.

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Of the Normal Standard of Learning and Examination of Candidates for Holy Orders.

§ I. [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 Evidences of the Christian Faith;

5. Christian Ethics, and Moral Theology;


7. Ecclesiastical Polity and Canon Law, including the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and of the Diocese to which the Candidate belongs;
8. Ministration:

(a) The Administration of the Sacraments; and Conduct of Public Worship, with the proper use of the voice therein;

(b) Homiletics: Principles of Sermon Composition and Delivery. In connection with the examination in this subject the Candidate shall present three sermons, composed by himself, on texts of Holy Scripture appointed by the Bishop;

(c) Pastoral Care;

(d) Parish Organization and Administration, including the keeping of accounts;

(e) Principles and Methods of Religious Education in the Parish;

9. He must also offer at least one of the following Elective subjects:

(a) Old Testament in Hebrew,

(b) Biblical Theology,

(c) History of Religions,

(d) Sociology,

(e) Psychology,

(f) A modern language other than English, with the ability to minister therein,

(g) Christian Archaeology,

(h) Christian Biography,

(i) Church Music,

(j) Advanced Exegesis of the Greek New Testament,

(k) Work of a specialized and advanced character in any recognized field of study.

The Board of Examining Chaplains may, in lieu of examination, accept satisfactory evidence of the fulfillment of the requirements in any of the above mentioned elective subjects.
[ii.] If a Candidate desires a dispensation from examination in the Greek of the New Testament, he shall make application to the Bishop in writing, stating 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 has 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;
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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.

**CANON 5.**

Of Examination 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. [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.

§ III. The Bishop of any Diocese or Missionary District, subject to the consent of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, may, at his discretion, dispense a Candidate desiring to be ordained Deacon from all examination except in the following subjects: (a) The Contents and Interpretation of the Books of Holy Scripture; (b) the Doctrines of this Church; (c) the Contents and Use of the Book of Common Prayer; and (d) Church History, a general outline, together with the history of this Church in the United
States of America, and the history of Christian Missions. And a Deacon so ordained, who has served with good repute and success for at least two years in the Diaconate, may be advanced to the Priesthood without further examination; Provided, that no Deacon or Priest so ordained shall be transferred from the Diocese or District within the United States in which he was ordained, 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.

§ IV. [i] A Postulant who has become a Candidate under the provisions of Canon 2, § V. [vi.], shall, before his ordination to the Diaconate, be required to pass an examination in the following subjects:

1. Ecclesiastical Polity, including the Constitution and Canons of the General Convention, and of the Diocese in which he is canonically resident;
2. The History of the Church of England and of this American Church;
3. The History, Contents and Use of the Book of Common Prayer;
4. The Elements of Christian Doctrine as contained in the Creeds and Catechism;
5. The points of Doctrine, Discipline and Worship in which the communion from which he has come differs from this Church. This portion of the examination shall be conducted in part at least by written questions and answers, and the replies kept on file for at least three years.

[ii.] A Deacon so ordained may be advanced to
the Priesthood without further examination, save as prescribed in § I. of this Canon.

[iii.] In all other cases a Candidate who has been a Minister or Licentiate in some other body of Christians shall pass the examinations required of other Candidates.

§ V. 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.].

§ VI. 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 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 7. 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 prepare 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 two 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 the last two academic years in any incorporated Seminary of the Church may be considered as equivalent to two calendar years.

§ III. Before the ordination of a Deacon 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, the form of medical report prepared by the Church Pension Fund shall be used for this purpose. This report shall be kept on file by the Bishop and shall be submitted to the Standing Committee or Council of Advice when application is made by the candidate to be ordained Deacon.

§ IV. 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.

§ V. In order to be recommended for ordination the Candidate must lay before the Standing Committee:
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(a) An application therefor in writing, signed by himself, which shall state the date of his birth.

(b) A certificate from the Bishop by whom he was admitted a Candidate, declaring the date of his admission; but when such certificate cannot be had, other evidence satisfactory to the Committee shall suffice.

(c) A certificate from a Presbyter of this Church, known to the Ecclesiastical Authority, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of

Place,                   Date,
I hereby certify that I am personally acquainted with A. B., and that I believe him to be well qualified to minister in the Office of Deacon, to the glory of God and the edification of His Church.

(Signed)

(d) A certificate from the Minister and Vestry of the Parish of which he is a member, in the following words, viz.:

To the Standing Committee of

Place,                   Date,
We do certify that, after due inquiry, we are well assured and believe that A. B., for the space of three years last past, hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and that he is loyal to the Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and does not hold anything contrary thereto. And, moreover, we think him a person worthy to be admitted to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

(Signed)

This certificate must be attested by the Minister of the Parish, or by the Clerk or Secretary of the Vestry, as follows, viz.:
I hereby certify that A. B. is a member of
Parish in and a communicant
of the same; that the foregoing certificate was signed
at a meeting of the Vestry duly convened at
on the day of
and that the names attached are those of all (or a majority of all) the members of the Vestry.

(Signed)
The Minister of
or Clerk or Secretary of Vestry.

(e) A certificate from the theological seminary where he has been studying, or from the clergyman under whose direction he has been pursuing his studies, showing that he has completed all the studies required by the Canons, and is otherwise qualified to serve in the Ministry of this Church.

§ VI. 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.

§ VII. [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.

[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

§ VIII. 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.,
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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.

§ IX. 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 candidate ship 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 some other

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.
Presbyter of this Church in good standing, and shall be in the following words, viz.:

I hereby certify that the Laymen whose names are attached to the foregoing certificate are communicants of this Church in good standing, and that this form of certificate was used for no reasons affecting the moral or religious character of the Candidate, but because (here give the reasons for departing from the regular form).

(Signed)
Presbyter of the Diocese, or Missionary District of

§ VII. The Standing Committee, on the receipt of the certificates prescribed as above, and having reason to believe that all other canonical requirements have been complied with, and having no reason to suppose the existence of any sufficient obstacle, physical, mental, moral, or spiritual, may, at a meeting duly convened, a majority of all the members of the Committee consenting, recommend the Deacon for ordination by a testimonial addressed to the Bishop in the following words, viz.:

To the Right Reverend Bishop of

We, being a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee of and having been duly convened at , do testify that the Reverend A. B., Deacon, desiring to be ordered Priest, hath laid before us satisfactory certificates that since the day of , in the year , being the date of his ordination to the Diaconate [or for the space of three years last past], he hath lived a sober, honest, and godly life, and hath not written, taught, or held anything contrary to the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church; and we hereby recommend him for ordination to the Priesthood.
In witness whereof, we have hereunto set our hands this day of in the year of our Lord

(Signed)

This testimonial shall be signed by all consenting to its adoption.

§ VIII. The testimonial having been presented to the Bishop, and there being no sufficient objection on grounds physical, mental, moral, doctrinal, or spiritual, the Bishop shall take order for the ordination; and at the time of the ordination he shall require the Deacon to subscribe and make, in his 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.
[ii.] The Council of Advice in a Missionary District shall, for the purposes of this and other Canons of Ordination, have the same powers as the Standing Committee of a Diocese.

§ II. [i.] No certificate or testimonial, the form of which is supplied by Canon, shall be valid, unless it be in the words prescribed; the omission of the date therefrom shall render such certificate or testimonial liable to rejection.

[ii.] No Postulant or Candidate for Holy Orders shall sign any of the certificates prescribed in the foregoing Canons of Ordination.

[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.
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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.
§ II. The Minister desiring to be so ordained shall satisfy the Bishop that he has resided in the United States at least one year; that he has been duly baptized with water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; that he holds the historic faith of the Church as contained in the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed, that there is no sufficient objection on grounds physical, mental, moral or spiritual; that the Ecclesiastical Authority to which he is subject in the Communion to which he belongs consents to such ordination; that he will not knowingly admit to the Holy Communion any person who has not been baptized with water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost; and further, the Bishop shall charge him that the Church hopefully anticipates the use of the Apostolic practice of Confirmation among his people.

§ III. At the time of such ordination the person so to be ordained shall subscribe and make in the presence of the Bishop a declaration that he believes the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments to be the Word of God and to contain all things necessary to salvation; that in the ministration of Baptism he will unfailingly baptize with water in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost. He shall also undertake that in the celebration of the Holy Communion he will invariably use the elements of bread and wine, and will include in the service (a) a Prayer of Consecration, embodying the words and acts of our Lord in the Institution of the Sacrament, an Offering, an Invocation of the Holy Spirit and a Thanksgiving, (b) the Lord's Prayer, and (c) the Apostles' Creed or the Nicene Creed as the symbol of the faith and unity of the Holy Catholic Church. He shall also agree that when thereto invited by the Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in
the place where he lives, he will (unless unavoidably prevented) meet with such Bishop for Holy Communion and for counsel and co-operation; and that he will hold himself answerable to the Bishop of this Church having jurisdiction in the place where he lives, or, if there be no such Bishop, to the Presiding Bishop of this Church, in case he be called in question with respect to error of faith or of conduct.

§ IV. In case a person so ordained be charged with error of faith or of conduct he shall have reasonable notice of the charge and reasonable opportunity to be heard, and the procedure shall be similar to the procedure in the case of a Clergyman of this Church charged with the like offense. The sentence shall always be pronounced by the Bishop and shall be such as a Clergyman of the 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. [i.] If any minister who has not received episcopal ordination desires to be made a Deacon or to be ordered Priest in this Church, after the Bishop of the Diocese is satisfied 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; the Bishop with the consent of the Standing Committee or of the Council of Advice of the Missionary District obtained after the canonical requirements precedent to ordination have been fulfilled may make him a deacon or order him priest. At the time of such ordination the Bishop may read this preface to the service:

A. B. who has already been ordained a minister of Christ, desiring to be a Deacon or Priest in this Church, has satisfied the Ecclesiastical Authority of this Diocese that he accepts the Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of this Church, we are about to confer upon him authority to minister in this Church.

[ii.] The letters of ordination in such cases may contain the words: Recognizing the ministry which he has already received and hereby adding to that commission the grace and authority of Holy Orders as required for the exercise of the ministry of this Church.

[iii.] If any minister who has been ordained to the Diaconate or to the Priesthood by a Bishop whose
authority to convey such orders is open to question, shall desire to exercise his ministry in this Church, the Bishop of the Diocese in which he resides shall, if necessary, baptize him and confirm him, and with the advice and consent of the Standing Committee or of the Council of Advice of the Missionary District after all canonical requirements precedent to ordination have been fulfilled, may ordain him conditionally to the Diaconate and to the Priesthood. The Bishop at the time of such ordination shall read this preface to the service:

A. B. who was ordained by a Bishop whose authority is not recognized by this Church has now satisfied the Bishop of the Diocese that he accepts the Doctrine, Discipline and Worship of this Church, and desires conditional ordination. We propose to give assurance that A. B. is qualified to minister in this Church.

§ VII. 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 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 in-
formed, 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.
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
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§ 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
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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 the Presiding Bishop.

[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.

[iiv.] 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. The 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 not exceeding three persons 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 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
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§ 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 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.
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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 Diocese. On receiving notice of the concurrence of a majority of the Bishops and of the Standing Committees in the election, and their express consent thereto, the Standing Committee of the Diocese concerned shall transmit notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary District within the United States; which notice shall state what Bishops and what Standing Committees have consented to the election. On receiving this notice the Presiding Bishop shall certify to the Secretary of the House of Bishops the altered status and style of the Bishop concerned.

The Standing Committee of such Diocese shall transmit to every congregation thereof, to be publicly read therein, a notice of the election thus completed, and also cause public notice thereof to be given in such other way as they may think proper.

§ VI. In case of the death or resignation of a Missionary Bishop, or of a vacancy in the Missionary District from other cause, the charge thereof shall devolve upon the Presiding Bishop with the power of appointing some other Bishop of this Church as his substitute in said charge until the vacancy is filled.
### 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.

### Canonical 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. Before the election of a Suffragan Bishop in a Diocese or Missionary District 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.

§ III. 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.

§ IV. 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.

§ V. A Suffragan Bishop shall act, in all respects, as the assistant of the Bishop of the Diocese, or Missionary District, and under his direction.
§ VI. 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.

§ VII. [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 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.

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.

§ VIII. No Suffragan Bishop, while acting as such, shall be Rector or settled Minister in charge of a Parish or congregation.

§ IX. 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 pur-
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port of Article III. of the Constitution, must present to the Presiding Bishop of this Church a statement in writing subscribed by him setting forth his name, and the date and place of his birth; his Ecclesiastical and Civil status; whether he is in Priest's Orders, and, if so, the time and place and Episcopal source of his admission thereto, and to the Diaconate; the fact of his election or appointment, by a body of Christian people in a foreign land, to be, when duly ordained and consecrated, their Bishop; the corporate name under which such body is or desires and intends to be known as a distinct part of the Catholic Church of Christ; and the land wherein and the civil government under which it claims and purposes to exercise its jurisdiction as such; that the position of this body of Christian people in the land wherein they dwell is such as to justify its distinct organization as a Church therein; that the members of that body will receive the person consecrated for them by the Episcopate of this Church as a true and lawful Chief Pastor, will suitably maintain him as such, and will render to him all due canonical obedience in the exercise of his proper Episcopal functions; that by the lawful authority recognized in the body applying through him for the Episcopate there has been prescribed for use in that body a Book of Offices containing the Creeds commonly called the Apostles' and Nicene Creeds, together with forms for the Administration of the Sacraments of Baptism and the Lord's Supper, an Ordinal, an Office for the Administration of Confirmation by the Laying on of Hands, and an Order for the public reading of the Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments, in which Book the Faith and Order of the Church, as this Church hath received the same, are clearly set forth and established as the Faith and Order of the Church in which
the Episcopate is as aforesaid desired to be settled and maintained; and that the person presenting him- 
self 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 con-
secration 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 state-
ment 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 state-
ment 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 evi-
dence before the House of Bishops on the next occa-
sion on which they may be duly convened as such, 
with the presence of a majority of all the Bishops of 
this Church entitled to vote in that House.
§ II. If after consideration of the statement and evidence so presented, and of any other evidence of which they may be cognizant, a majority of the Bishops of this Church entitled to vote in the House of Bishops shall consent to the proposed ordination and consecration under the provisions of Article III. of the Constitution, the Presiding Bishop shall take order therefor in the same manner as order is prescribed to be taken by him in the consecration of Bishops in this Church, the Order of Consecration being conformed, as nearly as may be in the judgment of the Bishops consecrating, to that used in this Church.

§ III. Immediately after a consecration as herein provided shall have taken place, the Presiding Bishop shall lodge the original record of the statement and evidence above required, together with such other papers and documents as he may deem essential to the true and complete history of the proceedings, with the Registrar of the General Convention for preservation among the Archives of this Church.

CANON 17.

Of the Presiding Bishop.

§ I. Before a Presiding Bishop is elected a Joint Nominating Committee consisting of eight Bishops (one from each Province) together with four clerical and four lay members of the House of Deputies (one member from each Province) shall present to the House of Bishops the names of three members thereof for its consideration in the choice of a Presiding Bishop.

§ II. The Presiding Bishop, when elected according to the provisions of Article I., Section 3, of the Constitution, shall hold office until the first day of January succeeding the General Convention which fol-
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Of Duties of Bishops.

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<td>§ 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.</td>
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ing 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, from time to time at his discretion, a Charge to the Clergy of his Diocese or Missionary district, and may, from time to time, address to the people of his Diocese or Missionary District Pastoral Letters on points of Christian doctrine, worship, or manners, which he may require the Clergy to read to their congregations.
§ IV. At every Annual Convention or Convocation the Bishop shall make a statement of the affairs of the Diocese or Missionary District since the last meeting of the Convention or Convocation; the names of the Churches which he has visited; the number of persons confirmed; the names of those who have been received as Candidates for Holy Orders, and of those who have been ordained, and of those who have been by him suspended or deposed from the Ministry; the changes by death, removal, or otherwise, which have taken place among the Clergy; and all matters tending to throw light upon the affairs of the Diocese or Missionary District; which statement shall be inserted in the Journal.

§ V. It shall be the duty of a Bishop, whenever leaving his Diocese or District for the space of six calendar months, to authorize, by writing, under his hand and seal, the Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee of the Diocese, or the Council of Advice of the District, to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority thereof during his absence. The Bishop Coadjutor, or, should there be none, the Standing Committee, may become at any time the Ecclesiastical Authority upon the written request of the Bishop, and continue to act as such until the request be revoked by him in writing.

§ VI. [i.] Any Bishop of this Church may, on the invitation of the Convention or of the Standing Committee of any Diocese where there is no Bishop, or where the Bishop is for the time under a disability to perform Episcopal offices by reason of a judicial sentence, visit and perform Episcopal offices in that Diocese, or in any part thereof; and this invitation may be for a stated period, and may be at any time revoked.
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[ii.] A Diocese without a Bishop, or of which the Bishop is for the time under a disability by reason of a judicial sentence, may, by its Convention, be placed under the provisional charge and authority of the Bishop or Bishop Coadjutor of another Diocese, who shall by that act be authorized to perform all the duties and offices of the Bishop of the Diocese so vacant or whose Bishop is under disability, until, in the case of a vacant Diocese a Bishop be duly elected and consecrated for the same; or in the case of a Diocese whose Bishop is disabled, until the 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.

[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.

[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
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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 the name of the clergyman whom it is proposed to elect, shall be made known to the Bishop and sufficient time, not exceeding thirty days, shall be given him to communicate with the Rector and Vestry thereon.

CANON 21.

Of Ministers and Their Duties.

§ I. [i.] The control of the worship and the spiritual jurisdiction of the Parish, are vested in the Rector, subject to the Rubrics of the Book of Common Prayer, the Canons of the Church, and the godly counsel of the Bishop. All other Ministers of the Parish, by whatever name they may be designated, are to be regarded as under the authority of the Rector.

[ii.] For the purposes of his office and for the full and free discharge of all functions and duties pertaining thereto, the Rector shall, at all times, be entitled to the use and control of the Church and Parish buildings with the appurtenances and furniture thereof.

[iii.] In a Missionary Cure the control and responsibility belong to the Priest who has been duly appointed to the charge thereof, subject to the authority of the Bishop.

§ II. [i.] It shall be the duty of Ministers of this Church who have charge of Parishes or Cures to be diligent in instructing the children in the Catechism, and from time to time to examine them in the same publicly before the Congregation. They shall also, by stated catechetical lectures and instruction, inform the
youth and others in the Doctrines, Polity, History, and Liturgy of the Church. They shall also instruct all persons in their Parishes and Cures concerning all the missionary work of the Church at home and abroad, and give suitable opportunities for offerings to maintain that work.

[ii.] It shall be the duty of Ministers to prepare young persons and others for Confirmation; and on notice being received from the Bishop of his intention to visit any Church, which notice shall be at least one month before the intended visitation, the Minister shall announce the fact to the Congregation on the first Sunday after the receipt of such notice; and he shall be ready to present for Confirmation such persons as he shall judge to be qualified, and shall deliver to the Bishop a list of the names of those to be confirmed.

[iii.] At every visitation it shall be the duty of the Minister, and of the Churchwardens, or Vestrymen, or of some other officer, to exhibit to the Bishop the Parish Register and to give 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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private for members of his Congregation; or, in his absence, with the consent of the Churchwardens or Trustees of such Congregation; and Provided, moreover, that the license of the Ecclesiastical Authority required in § V. [iii.] be first obtained when necessary.

This rule shall not apply to any Church, Chapel or Oratory, which is part of the premises of an incorporated institution, created by legislative authority, provided that such place of worship is designed and set apart for the convenience and uses of such institution, and not as a place for public or parochial worship.

[ii.] If any Minister of this Church, from disability or any other cause, neglect to perform the regular services in his Congregation, and refuse, without good cause, his consent to any other duly qualified Minister of this Church to officiate within his Cure, the Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation shall, on proof before the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or 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

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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 Stand-
Not to be transferred until examination for Priesthood be passed, without request.

Not to be Rector of a Parish or Chaplain in Army or Navy.

To act under direction of the Rector.

If there is no Rector, to act under direction of a Priest.

§ II. No Deacon who shall not have passed the examinations prescribed in Canon 4 shall be transferred to another jurisdiction without the written request of the Ecclesiastical Authority of the same.

§ III. [i.] No Deacon shall be a Rector of a Parish or Congregation, nor be permitted to accept a Chaplaincy in the Army or Navy.

[ii.] A Deacon ministering in a Parish or Congregation under the charge of a Priest, shall act under the direction of such Priest in all his ministrations.

[iii.] A Deacon ministering in a Parish or Congregation not under the charge of a Priest, shall, if not under the immediate direction of the Bishop, be placed under the authority of some neighboring Priest, by whose direction in subordination to the Bishop, he shall in all things be governed.

CANON 23.

Of Persons not Ministers in this Church Officiating in any Congregation Thereof.

No Minister in charge of any Congregation of this Church, or, in case of vacancy or absence, no Churchwardens, Vestrymen, or Trustees of the Congregation, shall permit any person to officiate therein, without sufficient evidence of his being duly licensed or ordained to minister in this Church; Provided, that
nothing herein shall be so construed as to forbid communicants of the Church to act as Lay Readers; or to prevent the Bishop of any Diocese or Missionary District from giving permission to Christian men, who are not Ministers of this Church, to make addresses in the Church, on special occasions.

CANON 24.

Of Deaconesses.

§ I. A woman of devout character and proved fitness, unmarried or widowed, may be appointed Deaconess by any Bishop of this Church. Such appointment shall be vacated by marriage.

§ II. (a) The duty of a Deaconess is to assist in the work of the parish, mission or institution to which she may be appointed, under the direction of the rector or priest in charge; or, if there be none such, to perform such functions as may be directly entrusted to her by her Bishop.

(b) The following are the chief functions which may be entrusted to a Deaconess:

1. To care for the sick, the afflicted and the poor;
2. To give instruction in the Christian faith;
3. Under the Rector or the Priest in charge, to prepare candidates for Baptism and for Confirmation;
4. To assist at the administration of Holy Baptism and in the absence of the Priest or Deacon to baptize infants;
5. Under the Rector or Priest in charge to organize, superintend and carry out the Church's work among women and children;
6. With the approval of the Bishop and the incumbent, to read Morning and Evening Prayer and the Litany in Church or Chapel in the absence of the Minister (excepting such por-
tions as are reserved for the Priest); and when licensed by the Bishop to give instruction or deliver addresses at such services;

7. To organize and carry on social work; and in colleges and schools to have a responsible part in the education of women and children, and to promote the welfare of women students.

§ III. No one shall be admitted a Deaconess until she is twenty-five years of age; Provided, that this article shall not apply to those who began their training prior to January 1st, 1926.

§ IV. (a) A woman desiring reception as candidate for the office of Deaconess shall submit to the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District letters of recommendation from her Rector and from two women communicants of the Church, together with evidence that she is a communicant of the Church in good standing; and a graduate of a High School, or of a school with standards equivalent to a High School; or is prepared to take such examinations as shall qualify her for reception.

(b) During the period of candidacy, she shall be under the supervision of the Bishop, and shall report to him quarterly at the Ember seasons. If possible at least one-half of the time of her preparation shall be spent in residence with Deaconesses, or at a Church Training School.

(c) No one shall be admitted a Deaconess within two years from her reception as a Candidate, unless the Bishop, with the advice and consent of a majority of all the members of the Standing Committee or Council of Advice, shall shorten the time of her candidature; but the time shall not be shortened to less than one year.
§ V. No woman shall be admitted a Deaconess until she shall have laid before the Bishop testimonials showing that she is a communicant of this Church, in good standing, and that she possesses such characteristics as, in the judgment of the persons testifying, fit her for the duties of her office. The testimonials of fitness shall be signed by four presbyters of this Church, and eight lay communicants, six of whom shall be women. For due cause a Bishop may remove the name from the list of candidates.

§ VI. A candidate for the Office of Deaconess shall be required to pass an examination on subjects prescribed in this Canon. This examination shall be conducted by examiners appointed by the Bishop. The results of the examination shall be certified to the Bishop and Standing Committee or Council of Advice of the Diocese or Missionary District.

§ VII. A Candidate for the Office of Deaconess shall be required to furnish evidence that she has had at least nine months of field work under competent supervision, or satisfactory previous experience in social service, educational, parish or mission work; and shall also sustain satisfactory examination in the following subjects.

1. Holy Scripture. The Bible in English; introduction to and contents of the various books; special knowledge of at least one Gospel and one Epistle.
2. Church History. A general outline, including the History of the Church in the United States, and special knowledge of the first five centuries.
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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 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.
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A Deaconess may at any time resign her office to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese or Missionary District to which she is attached under this Canon, 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 to which she is attached under this Canon.

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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 Congregation without a Minister, which is able and has had reasonable opportunity to secure the services of an ordained Minister. If the Lay Reader be a student in any Theological Seminary, he shall also, before acting as such, obtain the permission of the presiding officer of such institution and of his own Bishop.

§ II. A Lay Reader shall be subject to the regulations prescribed by the Ecclesiastical Authority, and shall not serve in any Diocese other than that in which he is licensed, unless he shall have received a license from the Bishop of the Diocese in which he desires to serve.

§ III. In all matters relating to the conduct of the service, and to the Sermons or Homilies to be read, he shall conform to the directions of the Minister in charge of the Parish, Congregation, or Mission in which he is serving, and, in all cases, to the directions of the Bishop. He shall read only the Morning and
Evening Prayer (omitting the Absolution), the Litany, and the Office for the Burial of the Dead. He shall not deliver sermons or addresses of his own composition, unless, after instruction and examination, he be specially licensed thereto for urgent needs by the Bishop. He shall not wear the dress appropriate to Clergymen ministering in the Congregation.

**CANON 27.**

**Of 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 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.
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**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 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 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
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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
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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.

(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.

§ XVII. Not less than six Judges shall constitute a quorum and the concurrence of six Judges shall be
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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.
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[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 remainder 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 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 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


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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.
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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 any 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 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
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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.

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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.
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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.

[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.

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 prose-
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 Offense 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 institute proceeding according to the
§ 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

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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 Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of the Church, or by formal admission into any religious body not in communion with the same, or in any other manner, it shall be the duty of the Standing Committee of the 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 Senior Bishops having jurisdiction in the United States, 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.

§1. If any Presbyter or Deacon shall, without availing himself of the provisions of Canon 34 abandon the communion of this Church, by an open renunciation of the Doctrine, Discipline, or Worship of this Church, or by a formal admission into 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 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 Secretary of the House of Bishops 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 Secretary of the House of Bishops 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 or 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 Canons 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.

**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 have also abandoned its communion, the Bishop before granting such remission, shall be satisfied that such person has lived in lay communion with this Church for three years next preceding his application for such remission.

§ IV. In case the person applying for such remission shall be domiciled beyond the Diocese or Missionary District in which he was deposed, the Bishop, before granting such remission, shall be furnished with written evidence of the approval of such application by the Bishop of the Diocese or Missionary District in which such person is domiciled.

§ V. Whenever a Bishop shall remit and terminate any sentence of deposition, he shall, without delay, give due notice thereof under his own hand, sending said notice in a sealed envelope to the Ecclesiastical Authority of every Diocese and Missionary District of this Church and to the Recorder, giving, with the full name of the person restored, the date of the deposition and the Order of the Ministry to which he is restored.

CANON 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, shall 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 such judgment shall be binding upon both parties. In the event of the failure or refusal of either party to comply with the terms of such judgment, the Bishop may inflict such penalties as may be provided by the Constitution and Canons of the Diocese or Missionary District; and in default of any provisions for such penalties therein, the Bishop may (a) in the case of a Rector or Minister, suspend such Rector or Minister from the exercise of his priestly office until he shall comply with said judgment; (b) in the case of a Vestry or Trustees, recommend to Diocesan Convention or Missionary Convocation that the union of the Parish or Mission with Convention or Convocation shall cease until they have complied with his judgment.
§ 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.

§ V. This Canon shall take effect immediately.

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.
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<td>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; Provided, that for weighty cause a Minister, upon less than the requisite three days' notice, may solemnize the marriage of persons, one of whom is a member of his own congregation, or is well known to the Minister, but in such a case the Minister shall immediately report in writing his action to the Ecclesiastical Authority.</td>
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§ 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 or legal 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 or sexual perversion 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
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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.

**CANON 42.**

Of Regulations Respecting the Laity.

§ 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 enrollment or, if there be no Rector or Minister, from one of the Wardens, a certificate addressed to the Rector or Minister of the Parish or Congregation to which removal is desired, 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.

[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.
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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 to the entire book but shall not extend to editions smaller than those known as 32mo, or to editions noted for music.

(The amendment to this Section II. to become effective in 1936.)

§ 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 aforesaid, which contains or is bound up with any alterations or additions thereto, or with any other matter, except the
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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.
CANONS 46, 47, 48.

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, or by the General Convention of this Church, 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 any consecrated
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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 a Secretary pro-tem po re appointed by the President of the House or if there be none such a Secretary pro-tem po re appointed by the members from the House of Deputies on the Joint Committee of Arrangements appointed by the preceding General Convention for the next General Convention, shall call to order the members present, and record the names of those whose testimonials, in due form, shall have been presented to him, which record shall be prima facie evidence that the persons whose names are therein recorded are entitled to seats. If there be a quorum present, by the record, the Secretary shall so declare, and the House shall proceed to organize by the election by ballot of a President from the members of the House, and of a Secretary, and a majority of all the votes cast shall be necessary to an election. As soon as a President and Secretary have been elected a committee shall be appointed to wait upon the House of Bishops, and inform
them of the organization of the House of Deputies, and of its readiness to proceed to business.

[ii.] In order to aid the Secretary in preparing the record specified in clause [i.], it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese to forward to him, as soon as may be practicable, a copy of the latest Journal of the Diocesan Convention, together with a certified copy of the testimonials of members aforesaid. He shall also forward a duplicate copy of such testimonials to the Standing Committee of the Diocese in which the General Convention is next to meet.

[iii.] The Secretary shall keep full minutes of the proceedings of the House; record them, with all reports, in a book provided for that purpose; preserve the Journals and Records of the House; deliver them to the Registrar, as hereinafter provided, and perform such other duties as may be directed by the House. He may, with the approval of the House, appoint Assistant Secretaries, and the Secretary and Assistant Secretaries shall continue in office until the organization of the next General Convention, and until their successors be chosen. If during the recess of the General Convention a vacancy shall occur in the office of Secretary, the duties thereof shall be discharged by a Secretary pro tempore appointed by the President of the House or if there be a vacancy in the office of President of the House, by a Secretary pro tempore appointed by the members from the House of Deputies on the Joint Committee of Arrangements, appointed by the preceding General Convention for the next General Convention.

[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 con-
sideration of the several Diocesan Conventions, to give notice thereof to the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Church in every Diocese and Missionary District, as well as to the Secretary of the Convention of every Diocese, and written evidence that the foregoing requirement has been complied with shall be presented by him to the General Convention at its next Session. All such notices shall be sent by registered mail, return receipts being required. He shall notify each Diocesan Secretary that it is his duty to make known such proposed alterations of the Book of Common Prayer, and of the Constitution, and such other subjects, to the Convention of his Diocese at its next meeting, and to certify to the Secretary of the House of Deputies that such action has been taken by him.

[v.] The Secretary of the House of Deputies and the Treasurer of the General Convention shall be entitled to seats upon the floor of the House, and, with the consent of the President, they may speak on the subjects of their respective offices.

[vi.] At the meetings of the House of Deputies the Rules and Orders of the previous meeting shall be in force until they are amended or repealed by the House.

§ II. [i.] The right of calling special meetings of the General Convention shall be vested in the Bishops. The Presiding Bishop shall issue the summons for such meetings, designating the time and place thereof, with the consent, or on the requisition, of a majority of the Bishops, expressed to him in writing.

[ii.] The Deputies elected to the preceding General Convention shall be the Deputies at such special meetings of the General Convention, except in those cases in which other Deputies shall have been chosen in the meantime by any of the Diocesan Conventions,
and then such other Deputies shall represent in the special meeting of the General Convention the Church of the Diocese in which they have been chosen.

[iii.] Any vacancy in the representation of any Diocese caused by the death, absence or inability of any Deputy, shall be supplied either temporarily or permanently in such manner as shall be prescribed by the Diocese, or, in the absence of any such provision, by appointment by the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. During such periods as shall be stated in the certificate issued to him by the appointing power, the Provisional Deputy so appointed shall possess and shall be entitled to exercise the power and authority of the Deputy in place of whom he shall have been designated.

§ III. [i.] The House of Deputies, upon the nomination of the House of Bishops, shall elect a Presbyter, to be known as the Registrar of the General Convention, whose duty it shall be to receive all Journals, files, papers, reports and other documents or articles that are, or shall become, the property of either House of the General Convention; to arrange, label, index, and put them in order, and to provide for the safe keeping of the same in some fire-proof, accessible place of deposit, and to hold the same under such regulations as the General Convention may, from time to time, provide.

[ii.] It shall also be the duty of the said Registrar to procure a suitable book, and to enter therein the record of the ordinations and consecrations of all the Bishops of this Church, designating accurately the time and place of the same, with the names of the consecrating Bishops, and of others present and assisting; to have the same authenticated in the fullest manner practicable; and to take care for the similar
record and authentication of all future ordinations and consecrations of Bishops in this Church. Due notice of the time and place of such ordinations and consecrations shall be given by the Presiding Bishop to the Registrar; and thereupon it shall be his duty to attend such ordinations and consecrations, either in person or by Deputy.

[iii.] He shall prepare, in such form as the House of Bishops shall prescribe the Letters of Ordination and Consecration in duplicate; and he shall have the same immediately signed and sealed by the ordaining and consecrating Bishops, and by such other Bishops assisting as may be practicable; and he shall deliver to the newly consecrated Bishop one of the said Letters, and shall carefully file the other among the papers in his custody, and make a minute thereof in his book of record.

(iv.) The Registrar shall also be Historiographer, unless in any case the House of Bishops shall make a separate nomination; and in this event the House of Deputies shall confirm the nomination.

(v.) The necessary expenses incurred under this Section shall be paid by the Treasurer of the General Convention.

[vi.] It shall be the duty of the Secretaries of both Houses, within six months after the adjournment of the General Convention, to deliver to the Registrar the manuscript minutes of the proceedings of both Houses, together with the Journals, files, papers, reports, and all other documents of either House. The manuscript minutes of both Houses shall remain filed until after the adjournment of the Second Convention following that at which such minutes shall have been taken; Provided, however, that any part of such minutes, for any reason unpublished in the Journal, shall remain...
filed in the Archives. The Secretary of the House of Deputies shall also deliver to the Registrar, when not otherwise expressly directed, all the Journals, files, papers, reports, and other documents specified in Canon 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 thirtieth 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 therein on the thirtieth 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 and of the Convocations of the several Missionary Districts to forward to the Treasurer of the General Convention, on the first Monday in September immediately preceding the meeting of the General Convention, as to each Diocese not more than five dollars for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon canonically resident therein, and as to each Missionary District an amount equal to one quarter of the above described Diocesan levy for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon canonically resident therein, 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. In order that the stipend of the Presiding Bishop and the necessary expenses of his office may be defrayed, as provided by the Canon entitled, "Of the Presiding Bishop," it shall be the duty of the several Diocesan Conventions and the Convocations of Missionary Districts to forward to the Treasurer annually, on the first Monday in January a sum not to exceed four dollars for each Bishop, Presbyter and Deacon canonically resident in each Diocese, and similarly in each continental Missionary District a sum not to exceed two dollars and in each Extra-Conti-
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§ VIII. 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.

§ IX. The Treasurer shall give a bond conditioned on the faithful performance of his duties. The amount thereof and the terms on which the same shall be given shall be subject to the approval of the Presiding Bishop, the expense of such bond to be paid by the General Convention.

§ X. 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.

§ XI. 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 pub-
lication 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, immediately after the adjournment of the Diocesan Convention or the Convocation of a Missionary District next preceding the regular meeting of every General Convention, to prepare 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, 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. Such information shall be tabulated separately for each of the three years. 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 bookkeeper 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—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.
§ I. Subject to the proviso in Article VII. of the Constitution, the Dioceses and Missionary Districts of this Church shall be and are hereby united into Provinces as follows:

The First Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut.

The Second Province shall consist of the Dioceses within the States of New York and New Jersey, and the Missionary Districts of Porto Rico, Haiti and the Panama Canal Zone.

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 within the States of North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Louisiana, Tennessee and Kentucky.

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, Ari-
zona, the Territories of Alaska and Hawaii, and the Missionary District of the Philippine Islands.

§ II. When a new Diocese or Missionary District shall be created wholly within any Province, such new Diocese or Missionary District shall be included in such Province. In case a new Diocese or Missionary District shall embrace territory in two or more Provinces, it shall be included in and form a part of the Province wherein the greater number of Presbyters and Deacons in such new Diocese or Missionary District shall at the time of its creation be canonically resident. Whenever a new Diocese or Missionary District shall be formed of territory not before included in any Diocese or Missionary District, the General Convention shall designate the Province to which it shall be annexed.

§ III. For the purposes of the Province the Synodical rights and privileges of the several Dioceses and Missionary Districts within the Province shall be such as from time to time shall be determined by the Synod of the Province.

§ IV. There shall be in each Province a Synod consisting of a House of Bishops and a House of Deputies, which Houses shall sit and deliberate either separately or together.

§ V. Every Bishop of this Church, having jurisdiction within the Province, every Bishop Coadjutor and Suffragan Bishop and every Bishop whose episcopal work has been within the Province, but who by reason of advanced age or bodily infirmity has resigned, shall have a seat and vote in the House of Bishops of the Province.

§ VI. The President of each Province shall be one of the Bishops of the Province, elected by the Synod by the concurrent vote of the three orders and by a
plurality in each order. He shall hold office for such term as the Synod may determine.

§ VII. Each Diocese within the Province shall be entitled to representation in the Provincial House of Deputies by four Presbyters, canonically resident in the Diocese, and four Laymen, communicants of this Church, having domicile in the Diocese, but the Provincial Synod, by Ordinance, may increase the representation to not more than six in each order. Each 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 Diocese and 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.

§ 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 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 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 provision, 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 I 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 the Diocese or Missionary District, in which its place of worship is situated; and no Minister having a Parish or Cure in more than one jurisdiction shall have a seat in the Convention of any jurisdiction other than that in which he has canonical residence.

§ II. [i.] The ascertaining 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 by two or more Churches or Congregations therein, it shall be deemed the Cure of the Ministers thereof.

[iii.] This Canon shall not affect the legal rights of property of any Parish or Congregation.

§ IV. [i.] It shall be lawful, under the conditions hereinafter stated, to organize a Congregation in any foreign land, other than Great Britain and Ireland, and the colonies and dependencies thereof, and not within the jurisdiction of any Missionary Bishop of this Church.

[ii.] The Bishop in charge of such Congregations, and the Council of Advice hereinafter provided for, may authorize any Presbyter of this Church to officiate temporarily at any place to be named by them within
any such foreign land, upon being satisfied that it is expedient to establish at such place a Congregation of this Church.

[iii.] Such Presbyter, after having publicly officiated at such place on four consecutive Sundays, may give notice, in the time of Divine Service, that a meeting of the male persons of full age and attending the services, will be held, at a time and place to be named by the Presbyter in charge, to organize the Congregation. The said meeting may proceed to effect an organization subject to the approval of the said Bishop and Council of Advice and in conformity to such regulations as the said Council of Advice may provide.

(iv.) Before being taken under the direction of the General Convention of this Church, such Congregation shall be required, in its Constitution, or Plan, or Articles of Organization, to recognize and accede to the Constitution, Canons, Doctrine, Discipline, and Worship of this Church, and to agree to submit to and obey such directions as may be, from time to time, received from the Bishop in charge and Council of Advice.

(v.) The desire of such Congregation to be taken under the direction of the General Convention shall be duly certified by the Minister, one Warden, and two Vestrymen or Trustees of said Congregation, duly elected.

[vi.] Such certificate, and the Constitution, plan, or Articles of Organization, shall be submitted to the General Convention, if it be in session, or to the Presiding Bishop at any other time; and in case the same are found satisfactory, the Secretary of the House of Deputies of the General Convention, under written instruction from the Presiding Bishop, shall thereupon
place the name of the Congregation on the list of Congregations in foreign lands under the direction of the General Convention; and a certificate of the said official action shall be forwarded to and filed by the Registrar of this Church. Such Congregations are placed under the government and jurisdiction of the Presiding Bishop.

[vii.] The Presiding Bishop, may from time to time, by written commission under his own signature and seal, assign to any other Bishop of this Church, having a seat and vote in the House of Bishops, the full charge of one or more of such Congregations, and the Ministers officiating therein, for such period of time as he may deem expedient, not exceeding three years; Provided, that should such term expire in a year during which a General Convention is to be held, prior to said Convention, the Commission may be extended until the adjournment of the Convention.

[viii.] Nothing in this Canon is to be construed as preventing the election of a Bishop to have charge of such Congregations under the provision of Canon 13.

[ix.] To aid the Presiding Bishop or the Bishop in charge of these foreign Churches in administering the affairs of the same, and in settling such questions as may, by means of their peculiar situation, arise, a Council of Advice, consisting of four 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 successors are chosen, by a Convocation duly convened, of all the Clergy of the foreign Churches or Chapels, and of one Lay representative of each Church or Chapel, chosen by its Vestry or Committee. The Council of Advice shall be convened on
the requisition of the Bishop whenever he may desire their advice, and they may meet of their own accord and agreeably to their own rules when they may wish to advise the Bishop. When a meeting is not practicable, the Bishop may ascertain their mind by letter.

It shall be lawful for the Presiding Bishop at any time to authorize by writing under his hand and seal the Council of Advice to act as the Ecclesiastical Authority.

[x.] In case a Minister in charge of a Congregation in a foreign land shall be accused of any offense 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 Clergy and Congregations Seeking Affiliation with this Church.

§ I. Whenever a congregation of Christian people, holding the Christian faith as set forth in the Catholic creeds and recognizing the Scriptures as containing all things necessary to salvation, but using a rite other than that set forth by this Church shall desire affiliation with this Church, while retaining the use of its own rite, such congregation shall with the consent of the Bishop in whose Diocese it is situate make application through the Bishop to the Presiding Bishop for status.
§ II. Any minister who has not received Episcopal Ordination and desires to serve such a congregation shall conform to the provisions of Canon 11, Section VI.

§ III. In case the minister of such congregation shall have been ordained by a Bishop not in Communion with this Church, but the regularity of whose ordination is approved by the Presiding Bishop he shall be admitted in his Orders under the provision of Canon 12.

§ IV. Ministers and delegates of such congregations may have seats but no vote in the Diocesan Convention unless by formal action of such convention they are so admitted.

§ V. The oversight of congregations so admitted shall rest with the Bishop of the Diocese unless he shall delegate this authority to a Bishop who may be commissioned by the Presiding Bishop to have oversight of such congregations.

CANON 57.

Of Parish Vestries.

§ I. In every Parish of this Church the number, mode of election, and term of office of Wardens and Vestrymen, with the qualifications of voters, shall be such as the State or Diocesan law may permit or require, and the Wardens and Vestrymen elected under such law shall hold office until their successors are elected and have qualified.

§ II. Except as provided by the law of the State or of the Diocese, the Vestry shall be agents and legal representatives of the Parish in all matters concerning its corporate property and the relations of the Parish to its Clergy.
§ III. Unless it conflict with the law as aforesaid, the Rector, when present, shall preside in all the meetings of the Vestry.

CANON 58.

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 clergymen 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 clergymen who at the time of his ordination or reception shall be older than such usual age of ordination, the Church Pension Fund shall determine his retiring allowance, upon fulfillment of the other conditions of this Canon, at a rate consistent with proper actuarial practices. Subject to the provisions of this Canon, the general principle shall be observed in allotting pensions that there be an actuarial relation between the several assessments and the several benefits, *Provided, however*, that the Board of Trustees shall have power to establish such maximum of annuities greater than $2,000 as shall be agreeable to sound actuarial practice.

§ VI. An Initial Reserve Fund, to be derived from voluntary gifts, shall be administered by the Church Pension Fund so as to assure to the present clergy and their families such addition to the support to

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which they may become entitled on the basis of assessments authorized by this Canon as may bring their several allowances up to the scale herein established. The Church Pension Fund shall not begin to levy or to collect assessments or to pay pensions anywhere until such Initial Reserve Fund shall amount to $5,000,000.

§ VII. The action of the Trustees of the General Clergy Relief Fund in accepting the provisions of Chapter 239 of the laws of 1915 of the State of New York, authorizing a merger with the Church Pension Fund, upon terms agreed upon between said two funds, is hereby approved. Any corporation, society or other organization which hitherto has administered clergy relief funds, may to such extent as may be compatible with its corporate powers and its existing obligations, and in so far as may be sanctioned in the case of diocesan societies by the respective Dioceses, merge with the Church Pension Fund, or if merger be impracticable, may establish by agreement with the Church Pension Fund the closest practicable system of co-operation with that fund. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to the prejudice of existing corporations or societies whose funds are derived from payments made by members thereof.

§ VIII. The General Convention reserves the power to alter or amend this Canon, but no such alteration or amendment shall be made until after the same shall have been communicated to the Trustees of the Church Pension Fund and such Trustees shall have had ample opportunity to be heard with respect thereto.

CANON 59.

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, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and such Assistant Secretaries and Assistant Treasurers as may be appointed in accordance with the Canons or By-laws. The Presiding Bishop of the Church shall be the President of the Society; the Vice President shall be the person who is the Vice President of the National Council in executive charge (under the Presiding Bishop) of administration, and shall have such powers and shall perform such duties as may be assigned to him by the By-laws. The Treasurer of the Society shall be elected by the General Convention, and shall hold office for three years and until his successor shall be elected and qualified. In the event of a vacancy in the office of Treasurer through death, resignation or disability, the Directors of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall appoint a Treasurer to fill such vacancy until the General Convention shall elect a Treasurer. The Secre-
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Of the National Council.

§ I. [i.] The Presiding Bishop and the National Council as hereinafter constituted shall have charge of the unification, development and prosecution of the Missionary, Educational, and Social Work of the Church, of which work the Presiding Bishop shall be the executive head.

[ii.] The officers of the National Council shall be a President, a First and a Second Vice President, a Secretary and a Treasurer, with such duties as the Council, pursuant to this Canon, from time to time, may prescribe.

§ II. [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 the General Convention; 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; and of four members of the Woman’s Auxiliary to the

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National Council to be nominated by it and elected at each Triennial meeting of the General Convention. The President, the Vice-Presidents and the Treasurer of the Council shall be *ex-officio* members thereof.

**Term of office.**

[ii.] The term of office of the members of the Council elected by the General Convention (other than *ex-officio* members) shall be six years; the term of office of the members of the Council elected by the Provincial Synods shall be three years; and the term of office of the members of the Council nominated by the Woman's Auxiliary shall be three years. The term of office of all members elected as above provided shall commence on the first day of January succeeding their election. Members shall remain in office until their successors are elected and qualified.

**Vacancies. How filled.**

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.

Should any vacancy occur in the Council through the death or resignation of a member elected from the
Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council, the Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary shall nominate a suitable person to fill the portion of the term which will remain unexpired.

[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. The Presiding Bishop shall be ex-officio the President, and the Treasurer of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society shall be ex-officio the Treasurer, of the Council. The Council shall elect the First and the Second Vice President and the Secretary, such elections to be upon the nomination of the President. The additional officers, agents, and employees of the Council shall be such and shall perform such duties as the Presiding Bishop and the Council may from time to time designate.

§ IV. [i.] The Council shall meet at such place and at such stated times, at least four times each year, as it shall appoint and at such other times as it may be convened. The Council shall be convened at the
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request of the President, or on the written request of any nine members thereof.

Quorum.

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

Salaries.

§ V. [i.] With the exception of the salary of the President the salaries of all 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.

Program, Budgets and Apportionment.

§ VI. [i.] The Council shall submit to the General Convention at each regular session thereof a program for the triennium, including a detailed budget of that part of the program for which it proposes to make appropriation for the ensuing year, and estimated budgets for the two succeeding years. In connection with the preparation of such budget the National Council shall, at least fifteen months before the session of the General Convention transmit to the President of each Province a statement of its existing appropriations for the Dioceses and Missionary Districts within such Province, showing the items for which such appropriations are expended, for the purpose of obtaining the advice of the Province as to changes therein. The Synod, or Council, of each Province shall thereupon, in such manner as the Synod shall determine, consider such budget and report its findings to the National Council for its information. The National Council shall also submit to the General Convention with the
budget a plan for the apportionment to the respective Dioceses and Missionary Districts of the sum needed to execute the program.

[ii.] There shall be joint sessions of the two Houses for the presentation of such program; and thereafter consideration shall be given and appropriate action taken thereon by the General Convention. The 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 objectives shall be determined by the Council upon an equitable basis.

(iv.) Each Diocese and Missionary District shall thereupon notify each Parish and Mission of the amount of the objective allotted to such Diocese or District, and the amount of such objective to be raised by each Parish or Mission. Each Diocese and Missionary District shall present to each parish and mission a total objective which shall include both its share of the proposed Diocesan Budget or that of the Missionary District and its share of the objective appor-
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ioned to the Diocese or Missionary District by the National Council in accordance with the plan adopted by the General Convention. The division of all funds which the Diocese or Missionary District receives for these purposes shall be strictly in accordance with the proportion which the total proposed budget of the Diocese or Missionary District bears to the total objective presented on behalf of the National Council.

[v.] The National Council shall approve a standard form for use in Dioceses and Missionary Districts, for the purpose of showing the distribution of their receipts for all purposes as between administrative expense, diocesan missionary work, missionary work of the general Church, and other purposes. Each Diocese and Missionary District shall annually report to the National Council the distribution of its receipts on the standard form, and this report shall be the basis for determination of the status of its partnership with the general Church in the promotion of its missionary work.

§ VII. [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.

§ VIII. The Council, as soon as practicable after the close of each fiscal year, shall make and publish a full
report of its work to the Church. Such report shall contain an itemized statement of all receipts and disbursements and a statement of all trust funds and other property of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society, and of all other trust funds and property in its possession or under its control. The Council shall make a like report including a detailed schedule of the salaries paid to all officers, agents and principal employees, to each General Convention.

§ IX. 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.

§ X. All Canons or parts of Canons inconsistent with the provisions of this Canon are hereby repealed.

**CANON 61.**

**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 62.**

**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
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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 63.

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 64.

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, 1935; 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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