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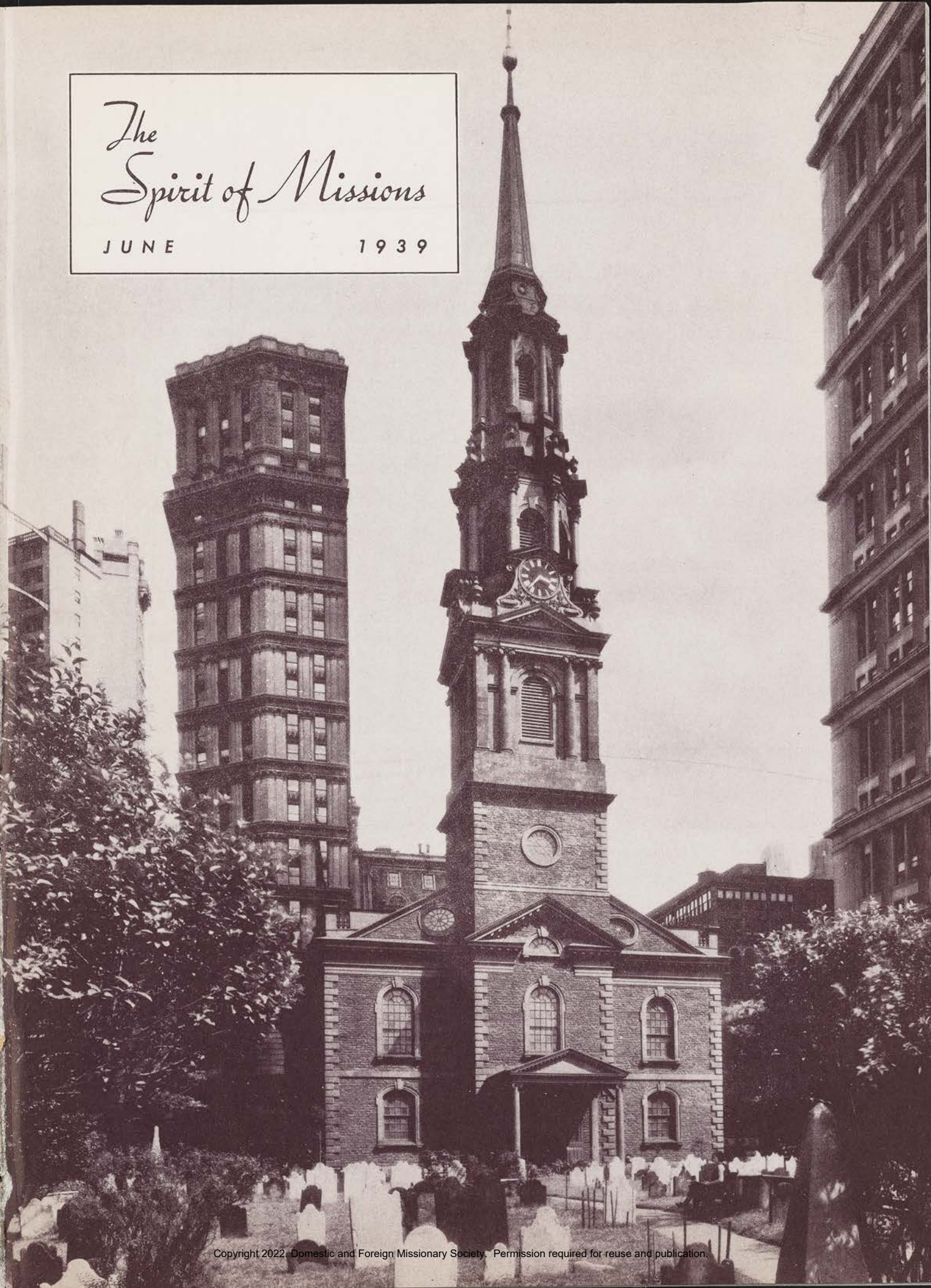
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Clusters of gushing fountains; a riot of color effects; modernistic architectural designs; displays of masterpieces of art; business gadgets tuned to the World of Tomorrow—all characterize the 1939 New York World's Fair which is attracting hundreds of thousands from all sections of the country. Above is a glimpse of the Lagoon of Nations looking through Constitutional Mall with the statue of George Washington, Episcopalian, in front of the Perisphere. In this issue is given a review of some points of interest to churchmen and women who visit New York.



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*Their
Majesties
King George VI
and
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Historic St. James' Church, Hyde Park, N.Y.

THEIR Majesties, King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, will attend services at St. James' Church, Hyde Park, N. Y., Sunday morning, June 11, when the Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, D.D., will be the preacher. Present also will be President and Mrs. Roosevelt, whose guests the King and Queen will be in Hyde Park.

Founded in 1811, St. James' is a quaint church located on the Albany Post Road, about eighty miles north of New York City and about seventy miles south of Albany. President Roosevelt is a warden of the Parish, as was his father, James Roosevelt. The Roosevelt family has been connected with St. James' for several generations. The Rev. Frank R. Wilson is the Rector.



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Summer and its opportunity to sell lemonade and similar concoctions brings a smile even to the faces of refugee children in China. At the right are two young refugees, brother and sister, trying to earn a few coppers. They were snapped near the entrance of St. John's University, Shanghai.



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THE COVER: Historic St. Paul's Chapel of Trinity Parish, New York, oldest public building on Manhattan Island and one of the first places of interest World's Fair visitors will want to see. George Washington and his official staff attended a Service of Thanksgiving at St. Paul's immediately following his inauguration as President and worshiped regularly here. His pew, with the Arms of the United States, is on the north aisle of the chapel. (See article on Page 8 about other points of interest to World's Fair attendants.) Cover photo is by Wurts Brothers.

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In historic Trinity Church, Boston, church of Phillips Brooks, the Rt. Rev. Spence Burton, S.S.J.E., was consecrated Bishop of Haiti and the Dominican Republic on May 3, the Presiding Bishop acting as chief consecrator. In his new work, Bishop Burton will assist the Rt. Rev. Harry R. Carson, Bishop of Haiti. Above is shown the laying on of hands during the consecration ceremony. On May 5, the Rt. Rev. John James Gravatt was consecrated Bishop of Upper South Carolina, in Trinity Church, Columbia, S. C., the Presiding Bishop again officiating. Bishop Gravatt succeeds the late Rt. Rev. Kirkman G. Finlay. At the right is shown part of the procession



The Voice of the Church

by
THE PRESIDING BISHOP



ONCE MORE the ancient prophecy has been fulfilled: "They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength."

A few months ago it looked as though important work in the Mission field must be abandoned because of a prospective shortage in funds. The National Council, believing that in this situation God would stir up the wills of His faithful people, sounded the Call to Action, "Witness, Christians!"

This venture of faith has met with notable success. The Church has answered the call. Men and women of large and small means have responded with sacrificial offerings. Out of weakness we have been made strong. We have through faith been brought to the beginning of what I am convinced is a new day in the life of the Church.

The victory we have won for Christ would be a hollow one if it stopped only with financial results. Our contributions of money, to be effective, must be supported by the witness of lives that have been raised to a higher level of Christ-likeness. Souls must be saved; men's lives must be changed if we are to fulfill our solemn duty to our Master.

Moreover, the values which have come out of the Missionary Shortage Effort must be made permanent. Our prayer now should be that God who has begun a good work in us will continue to perform it until the world is saved for Christ. Such a prayer calls for sustained effort on our part for in this task we are fellow workers with God.

It is to this task that I summon the Church. The National Council has asked that I do so and I am glad of the opportunity. The response to the Shortage Effort

has demonstrated the presence of a new spirit in the Church. Increasingly have come signs of new life, new interest, new vigor. I am grateful to all who shared in this Effort and have helped make it a success. Not in years has the Church acted with such unanimity of purpose and shown such proof of strength.

Now we must preserve this new interest and spirit. It must infuse every phase of our plans for the future—in Parish, in Diocese, in National Church. We should extend the influence of the Church to those on the outer fringe who have lost touch with her. We should strive to win other souls to Christ. We should so impress our Christianity upon our communities and our nation that men everywhere may see the light and that the dangers which threaten mankind may be overcome.

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That we may be made more conscious of the implications of the Missionary Shortage Effort and the opportunities which have come out of it, I ask on behalf of the National Council that our clergy arrange special services of praise and thanksgiving for the strength which God has given us. At these services, may we together pray:

O eternal God, who by thy Son Jesus Christ didst establish the family of thy Church in all the world, breathe upon it anew the gifts of thy Holy Spirit, that, awakening to thy command, it may go forth in lowly service, yet in conquering might, to win mankind to the love of thy Name; through our only Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

H. St. George Tucker

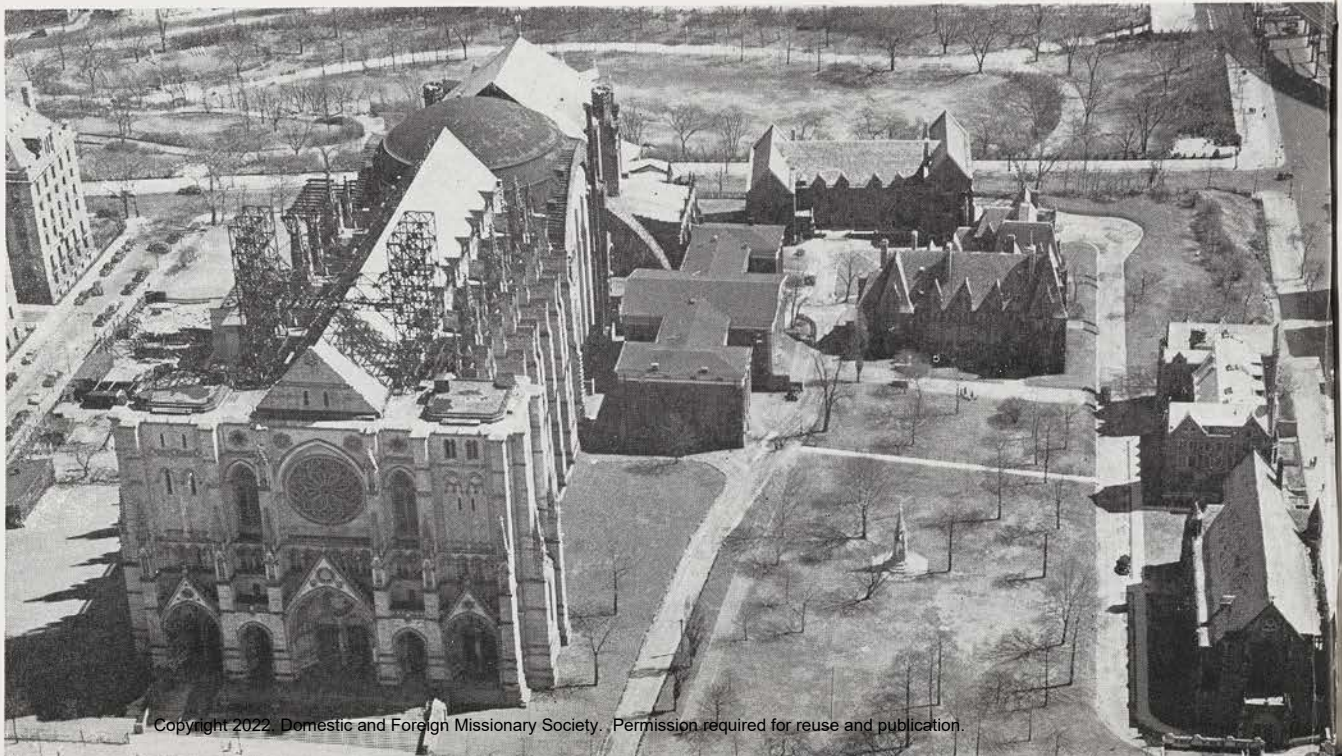
Places

Of superb Gothic beauty is St. Thomas' Church, New York (left), one of the places of interest to World's Fair visitors. Below is an unusual aerial view of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, showing the Bishop's House, Synod House, St. Faith's School and the Choir School. At the extreme left of the photo may be seen a bit of St. Luke's Hospital. At the bottom of the opposite page is St. Bartholomew's, Park Avenue.



A RICH field for exploration, learning and worship awaits the Churchman, woman and youngster who visits New York's 1939 World's Fair. For many of the Church's most historic spots in America will be found within easy reach of the Fair grounds.

Not alone will the visitor want to see the Perisphere and Trylon and other modernistic structures which go to represent "The World of Tomorrow"; nor will he want to conclude his venture into the metropolis after viewing the Statue of Liberty; the Empire State Building; Central Park and Coney Island. He will want to delve deeper into the life of New York and find a more substantial and lasting fare which will play an important part in "The World of Tomorrow" as it has in The World of the Past. He will want to visit the Cathe-



To See in New York

WORLD'S FAIR ATTRACTIONS ESPECIALLY FOR CHURCH PEOPLE

dral of St. John the Divine; Old Trinity and St. Paul's Chapel on Lower Manhattan; Grace Church; All Saints', with its Slave Gallery; St. Mark's-in-the-Bouwerie; the "Little Church Around the Corner"; St. Thomas' and St. Bartholomew's; Seamen's Church Institute; The Church Missions House, national headquarters of the Church, and many other points of interest.

That the visitor may have in mind places of Church interest, THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS presents a few facts about some of these. The list is by no means complete but will indicate something of the wealth of the field.

In the first place, the Presiding Bishop cordially invites every Churchman coming to the Fair to visit CHURCH MISSIONS HOUSE, where centers the world-wide program of the Church. Here may be seen the Presiding Bishop's own office; the National Council meeting room; the chapel; book store; library and offices of the various Departments. Located at 281 Fourth Avenue, Church Missions House may be reached by Madison-Fourth Avenue busses; Lexington Avenue subway to 23rd or 23rd Street cross-town bus.

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Certainly the visitor will not want to miss the CATHEDRAL OF ST. JOHN THE DIVINE, 110th St. and Amsterdam Ave. One of the great church structures of the world, the Cathedral is undoubtedly the greatest church building project in the United States. The Great Nave has been opened for services this summer and special arrangements have been made under direction of the Rt. Rev. William T. Manning, D.D., Bishop of New York, to receive visitors. On the Cathedral grounds will be found the Bishop's House. Synod House, St. Faith's School, and the Choir School. In close proximity is St. Luke's Hospital. Summer services: 8, 9, 10, 11 and 4. (See *March, 1939, issue of THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS for detailed description of the Cathedral.*)

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No visit to New York would be complete without seeing OLD TRINITY CHURCH, Broadway and Wall Street. The Parish of Trinity came into existence in the reign of King William III, on May 6, 1697. The first church was opened March 13, 1698. The present church was consecrated in 1846. From its earliest days, Trinity has been a focal point in the life of New York City. It has been in existence 242 years and during that time has had but twelve rectors. The present rector is the Rev. Frederic S. Fleming, D.D. Summer services 8, 9, 10:30, 11, and 3:30.

In the churchyard of Trinity are buried some of America's most famous men. Here will be found the graves of Alexander Hamilton; Robert Fulton, of steamboat fame; William Bradford, of printing and publishing fame; James Lawrence, "Don't give up the ship!" and others.

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The oldest public building on Manhattan Island is ST. PAUL'S CHAPEL, at Broadway, Fulton and Vesey Streets. Erected in a wheat field, the chapel was completed in 1766. George Washington and his official family attended a Service of Thanksgiving at St. Paul's immediately after his inauguration, April 30, 1789, and worshiped at the chapel regularly thereafter. Washington's pew and the Arms of the United States are on the north aisle. Governor George Clinton's pew and the Arms of the State of New York, are on the south aisle. The British Crest (Feathers of the Prince of Wales) surmounts the pulpit and is the only emblem of royalty in New York that has survived since colonial days. Summer services: 9:30 and 10.

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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH, 292 Henry Street, is the third oldest Episcopal church building in New York. Galleries are built high in the rear wall where slaves might worship. In 1824, wealthy West Indies traders living along the East River, organized the parish. The present colonial

structure was erected in 1827. The organ is one of the oldest in the country. The Rev. G. W. Knight is priest-in-charge. Services: 8 and 11 a.m.

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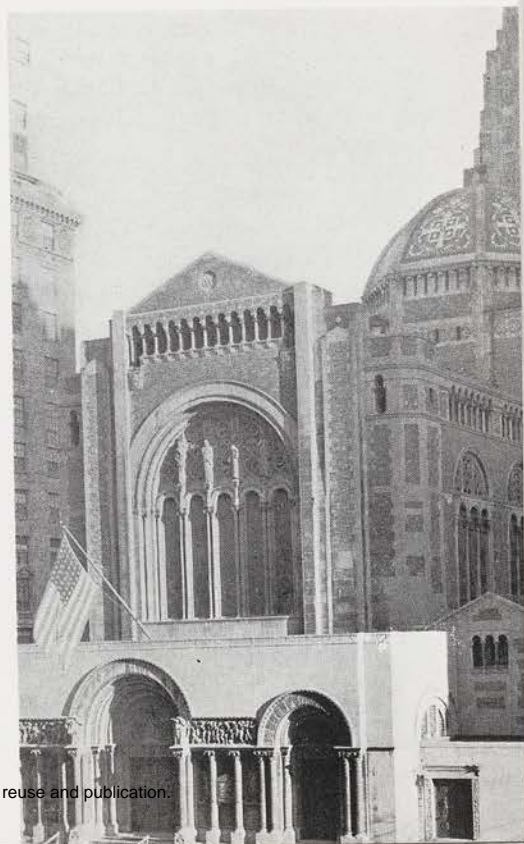
Through three regimes in American history, ST. MARK'S CHURCH-IN-THE-BOUWERIE, Tenth St. and Second Ave., has played an important rôle. Petrus Stuyvesant, last of the Dutch governors, built a chapel on his bouwerie (meaning a gentleman's country seat), as early as 1660. The site was part of the present site of St. Mark's. Governor Stuyvesant and many of his descendants are buried at St. Mark's. Commander Matthew C. Perry, U.S.N., also is buried here. The present rector is the Rev. C. A. M. Brocklebank. Services: 8 and 11 a.m.

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In 1870, George Holland, actor, died. A parson declined to perform the funeral service but suggested "there is a little church around the corner" where they did such things for strangers. The immortal Joseph Jefferson, hearing of this, remarked: "God bless The Little Church Around

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St. Bartholomew's Church, New York



World's Fair Attractions F



(Left) St. Mark's-in-the-Bouwerie.

dos, said to be the largest in the world; its organ, presided over by Dr. T. Tertius Noble; its two chapels; its collection of stained glass windows; its carillon; war memorial and great Hearst collection of Gothic tapestries. Founded in 1823, the parish has numbered among its rectors Bishop Henry J. Whitehouse of Illinois, and Bishop Ernest M. Stires of Long Island. Present rector, the Rev. Roelif H. Brooks. Summer services: 8, 8:30 (daily), 11 a.m. Special organ recitals, Sunday afternoons, at 5.

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ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, Park Ave. and 50th St., is the church home of many well-known New Yorkers. It was organized in 1835 and the present Romanesque edifice erected in 1918. Stanford White designed the triple portal entrance. The Community House, with membership of more than 900 young men and women, offers many cultural and expressional opportunities. Among organists and choirmasters of St. Bartholomew's have been Richard Henry Warren, Arthur S. Hyde and Leopold Stokowski. Rector, the Rev. Dr. George Paull T. Sargent. Summer services: 8 and 11 a.m.

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CHURCH OF THE INTERCESSION, Broadway and 155th St., was founded in 1846. Among its founders and early supporters were Victor G. Audubon, famous scientist, and his wife. Among early parishioners were: John Jay, James Monroe, Governor Ogden, A. B. Mills, the Cunards, Fields and Stebbins. In 1908, the church became a chapel of Trinity Parish. Present vicar, the Rev. Dr. S. Tagart Steele, Jr. Services: 8, 9:30, 10:40, 11 a.m.; 8 p.m.

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ST. ANN'S CHURCH FOR THE DEAF, 511 W. 148th, first church for deaf mutes, established in 1852 by the Rev. Thomas Gallaudet, originator of church services in the sign language. The Rev. Guilbert C. Braddock, vicar. Service, 11 a.m.

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In the churchyard of ST. ANN'S CHURCH, St. Ann's Ave. and E. 140th St., is the grave of Gouverneur Morris, "the man whose hand wrote the

Constitution of the United States." Here also are buried many other famous persons. Now located in an area populated largely by foreign-born, the church still carries on an important program. The Rev. Edward C. Russell is rector. Summer services: 8 and 11 a.m.

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One of the most historic spots in the country so far as the Episcopal Church is concerned is in Mount Vernon, just outside the New York City limits on the north. Here is ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, EASTCHESTER, which was founded by English colonists in 1665. For nearly a century, St. Paul's was under the care of the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts and administered under the jurisdiction of the Bishops of London. St. Paul's during this period was the seat of the battle for freedom of the press, waged by John Peter Zenger.

The Rev. Samuel Seabury, later first Episcopal bishop in the United States, was rector of St. Paul's for a time. During the Revolutionary War, St. Paul's was a center of activity. It served as a hospital. In the churchyard lie buried many patriots of the Revolution. St. Paul's is located at S. Columbus and S. Third Aves., Mount Vernon, and can be reached by

Trinity Church, Wall Street



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the Corner." Thus was born one of the most famous church appellations. Its fame has become world-wide as applied to the CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, 1 East 29th St. It is headquarters for the Episcopal Actors' Guild. In it are windows in memory of Montague, Edwin Booth, and Richard Mansfield. The church was founded in 1848. It has become widely known as the church where thousands of weddings have been performed. The rector is the Rev. Randolph Ray. Services: 8, 9 and 11 a.m.; 4 p.m. (except July and August).

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GRACE CHURCH, Broadway and Tenth St., is known to many as furnishing one of the scenes in the famous play, "The Old Homestead." The church building is considered one of the most graceful Gothic structures in America. Its choir school is the oldest in America. The Rev. Walter Russell Bowie is rector. Services: 8 and 11 a.m.; 8 p.m. The Rev. Joseph Fort Newton will preach during August.

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ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, Fifth Ave. and 53rd St., is famous for its church edifice which cost a million and a half dollars; its great carved stone rere-

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(Right) National Church Headquarters

automobile on Route 22; by subway or by New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad. The Rev. W. Harold Weigle is rector.

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GENERAL THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY was created by action of General Convention and opened in 1819. Chelsea Square, site of the Seminary, is bounded by Ninth and Tenth Aves., between 20th and 21st Sts. The site was given by Clement Clarke Moore, author of the famous poem, "Twas the Night Before Christmas." Dr. Moore was a professor at the Seminary. About one-fourth of all clergy of the Church received their training at General. Forty-two dioceses are represented in this year's student body.

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Near the south tip of Manhattan, looms the SEAMAN'S CHURCH INSTITUTE OF NEW YORK, which thousands of seamen call "home." For 104 years this society has been ministering to seamen of the world. With its thirteen-story building at 25 South St., accommodating 500 men, and its annex, accommodating 1,000, the Institute provides the largest service of its kind in the world. Through its hotel, restaurant, baggage room, U. S. post office, savings depository, employment bureau, social service desk, club, game and writing rooms, libraries, clinics and chapel, all the shore needs of seamen are met. From 5,000 to 10,000 daily entrances of seamen of every nation, age, rating and creed are recorded at the Institute. The Rev. Harold H. Kelley is superintendent. Visitors are welcome.

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CHURCH PENSION FUND headquarters is another place which World's Fair attendants are invited to visit. Located at 20 Exchange Place, the offices provide a superb view of New York harbor. Mr. Bradford B. Locke is executive vice-president.

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ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, located at 207 East 17th St., overlooking Stuyvesant Square, dates back to 1748, when it was established as a chapel June, 1939

of Trinity Church. In 1811, St. George's became an independent parish. Peter Stuyvesant gave the site on which the present church stands. The late John Pierpont Morgan was warden of the church from 1885 until his death in 1913. In recent years, under the direction of the present rector, the Rev. Elmore McN. McKee, the program of St. George's has been revised so as to relate it definitely to present conditions in the neighborhood. The latest step in this direction was the opening of Rainsford House for young men. Summer services: 8 and 11 a.m.

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In close proximity to the World's Fair grounds is ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, FLUSHING. This is one of four parishes founded on Long Island in 1702 by the Society for the Propagation of the Gospel.

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ST. JOHN'S HOSPITAL, 480 Herkimer St., Brooklyn, is another near-by church center. The School of Nursing, Home for the Aged and Home for the Blind all are in the same location and maintained by the Church Charity Foundation of which the Rev. Charles H. Webb is director.

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Another point of interest on Long Island is the CATHEDRAL OF THE INCARNATION, Garden City. Founded in 1885, through the generosity of Mrs. Cornelia M. Stewart, the cathedral is reminiscent of English cathedrals. On the grounds are St. Paul's School, St. Mary's School, the Cathedral House, the deanery and other clergy houses. At night the cathedral is beautifully flood-lighted. The Bishop is the Rt. Rev. Ernest M. Stires, and the Dean, the Very Rev. Arthur B. Kinsolving, 2nd. Summer services: 7 and 11 a.m.; 4 p.m.

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One of the really great works in New York on behalf of the poor and needy and underprivileged is that of the EPISCOPAL CITY MISSION SOCIETY of which the Rev. L. Ernest Sunderland is superintendent. Founded 107 years ago, the society ministers to the sick and lonely through chaplains in thirty-five institutions;



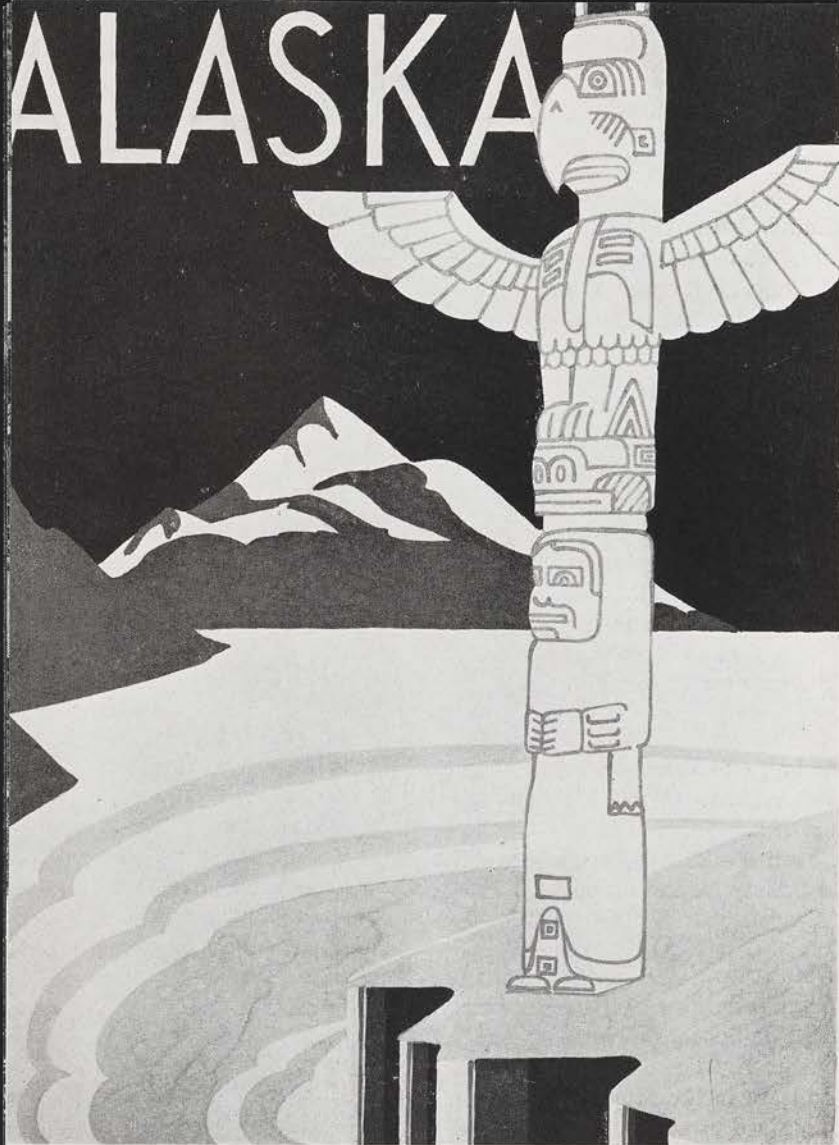
maintains three chapels—Church of San Salvatore, St. Cyprian's and Church of St. Martin; operates a youth service as well as family service; and keeps a worker at Ellis Island. Thousands upon thousands are recipients of the services of the society, headquarters of which is at 38 Bleecker St.

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Of special interest to Churchwomen visiting New York City is WINDHAM HOUSE, at 326 West 108th Street. This is the residence for women students, missionaries on furlough doing graduate work or special study, or women definitely in training for Church work. The house was given by the women of the Church through a special offering in the triennium 1923-25. Miss Mary E. Ladd is the resident director. The house will be open until the middle of June, and from the first of July until the middle of August, reopening again in the fall.

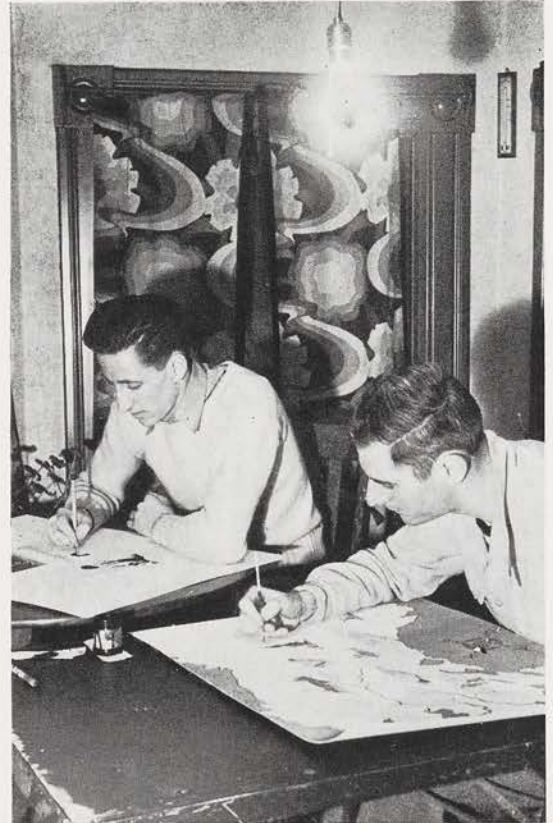
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Entering its second century is ST. PETER'S CHURCH on West 20th Street near Ninth Avenue, the fifth oldest church building in the city. St. Peter's cornerstone was laid in 1836. It was built on part of a colonial estate of Capt. Thomas Clarke, British Army officer, who named his place for London's Chelsea, the name still carried in this New York neighborhood. The Rev. Richard A. D. Beaty is rector. Services are at 8 and 11.



From C

The work of the Church in distant lands comes to life at the hands of young Western Massachusetts artists. At left, is one of six Alaskan posters. At bottom, right, is a poster illustrating a patient being brought to Hudson Stuck Hospital. The "Carpenter cleric"—they call the Rev. William C. Hamm (below, left), rector, Trinity Church, Ware. He makes frames for the posters. Directly below are Clive Stevens and Stafford Hatch, Jr., at work on posters.



Cardboard To Conversion

ATTIC STUDIO IN WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS GIVES YOUTHFUL ARTISTS CHANCE FOR POSTER PROJECT

STEP into the attic of Mr. and Mrs. Charles U. Hatch in Springfield, Mass., any Friday night and you'll be surprised. There busily at work you will find a group of young people, giving freely of their time and talents to one of the most unusual missionary projects to be found anywhere in America.

These youngsters are artists. They decided to help make their Church known to the people of the Diocese of Western Massachusetts and with the encouragement of the Bishop, the Rt. Rev. W. Appleton Lawrence, and Mrs. Hatch, they set up their Diocesan Studio in her attic.

Sets of six posters each relating to the various mission fields to which the diocese gives are the goal. "All in bright colors and very modern," are these posters. Each artist works out his individual ideas. Each field has one poster on six subjects: a picture map, the people of the country, landscape, industry, customs, and the work of the mission.

"It may seem a far cry from cardboard to conversion," says Bishop

Lawrence, commenting on the project, "but the two are closely connected in the work of the Diocesan Studio of Western Massachusetts. St. Paul said that God gives different gifts: 'to one is given by the Spirit the word of wisdom; to another, the word of knowledge by the same Spirit; to another faith; to another, the gifts of healing; to another, the working of miracles; to another, prophecy; to another, the interpretation of tongues.' I say that God also gives the gift of painting and drawing to still others and that such people can dedicate their gifts just as fully to God as these others."

"To awaken dull and leaden consciences of conventional Christians to the color and challenge and opportunity of the work of the Christian Church," is the objective of the group, according to Bishop Lawrence.

Work in Japan, China, Liberia and various parts of the United States will eventually be depicted through the poster sets. The posters will be used as a "lending library" and circulated throughout the diocese. An at-

tractive display in the windows at Church Missions House was made out of completed posters. Thousands of passers-by stopped to see them.

One of the unusual feats of the group has been to paint in outline a picture four or five feet high of the front of a cathedral, portals, towers, rose window, and so on. It is marked off in spaces indicating the name of each parish and mission and the amount of each one's pledge for missionary work. As fast as expectancies are completed, the spaces are painted in so when all pledges are paid, the picture will be complete.

Members of the Diocesan Studio were drawn together by Mrs. Hatch, a district vice-president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the diocese. The artists come from seven parishes. Frames for the posters are made by a neighboring rector, the Rev. William C. Hamm of Trinity Church, Ware.

Yes, an interesting experience awaits the visitor to this attic studio where the way is being cleared for conversions via cardboard.

Not a dull moment for this smiling group which constitutes the Diocesan Studio of Western Massachusetts. They have one of the most unique missionary educational projects in the country. Members of the Studio are: seated, left to right: Mrs. Charles U. Hatch, in whose attic the group works; the Rev. William C. Hamm, Mrs. George Palmer, Miss Charlotte Nolan (on floor) and Lillian Erickson. Standing, Ann Hatch, Clive Stevens, Kathleen Nolan, Charles Casey, Stafford Hatch, Jr., and Edwin Mathews.



June, 1939

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"Clinic Assistant" they call the young woman in the center in the photo below. She is much more than that, however; she lends the human touch to hundreds of cases which go through a great city clinic. She is one of the Church of the Ascension "volunteers."

A "Sightless Fellow," Frederick T. Neumann, Columbia law student, calls himself. Above he is shown in his study, listening intently to the reading of cases by a volunteer from the Church of the Ascension, New York. Two young women from this parish are Frederick's "eyes" so far as studies go, while his faithful "Paix," seeing eye dog, guides him to and from his classes. Young Neumann is a brilliant student.



A YOUNG man, brilliant student of Columbia Law School, sits in his study, listening intently to the reading of highly technical legal cases by a young woman. . . . Tommy, an under-privileged boy of ten or twelve, rides up Riverside Drive beside a well-dressed woman, his eyes aglow, happy—he is on his way to the clinic for much-needed medical attention . . . a smart-looking young woman in uniform stands by a young physician in a hospital clinic, lending helpful aid. . . . an attractive young lady pulls a book-cart containing many of the latest best-sellers up beside a hospital bed. . . . a woman gives a friendly word of advice about a hat a customer at the Thrift Shop has just purchased. . . .

This story of human, friendly service, rendered in the name of the Church, is endless. It goes on day after day; night after night, on the part of nearly a hundred men and women who are members of the volunteer service at the Church of the

Ascension, Fifth Avenue at Tenth Street, New York. And it constitutes one of the most unusual social service programs anywhere in the Church; it demonstrates the part the parish can play to help its community.

Go back for a moment to the case of the "sightless fellow" as he calls himself at Columbia Law School. He is Frederick T. Neumann, former student at Hobart College where he made a brilliant scholastic record. His Seeing-Eye dog, Paix, guides him to classes regularly, but even so accomplished a dog as Paix cannot help his master through his textbooks. A call to Mrs. James C. Higgins, chairman of the Ascension community service, brought two young women to Frederick's aid. And regularly on Tuesday and Sunday afternoons, these young women read to him. "It is a wonderful experience to represent the Church in this way," says one of the young women.

Or take the case of the young

woman who serves as a clinic assistant in East Harlem two afternoons a week. She assists the physician, takes notes, weighs in patients, takes them to the X-ray room. Mostly Puerto Ricans are her patients and she realizes she is doing them a real service.

Then there is the volunteer who drives children regularly to St. Mary's Hospital. Tommy, the boy she thinks of especially, is a bright, vivacious youngster, one of a family of eight; father is on WPA, mother died a year ago; the oldest daughter, 18, is bravely trying to keep the family together. "The greatest thrill I ever had," says this volunteer, "was taking Tommy for a drive up Riverside Drive. His delight and wonderment was inspiring."

Over at the Stuyvesant Square Thrift Shop, a volunteer sells a customer a hat, cautioning that it be worn at a certain angle; the customer becomes confidential and asks about her personal appearance; gets a good

THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS

of Human Friendly Service

A GREAT METROPOLITAN PARISH IN NEW YORK

bit of advice and goes away feeling happier. This thrift shop annually enables the Church of the Ascension to give about \$1,800 to the Penland School.

Little Marie is a patient in the medical ward of one of New York's great hospitals. A volunteer from the Church of the Ascension comes along and chats with her. The child loves movies and movie stars. One evening the volunteer is invited to a dinner party to meet a prominent motion picture actress. The following day she appeared at the hospital with an autographed photo of the actress, inscribed: "To Marie."

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How did all this come about? What's back of such a program of community service? We asked the Rev. Donald B. Aldrich, D.D., rector of the Ascension. Worship—the Church—is the heart of the program, he says. It started about seven years ago and grew out of a realization that the Church should not compete with community and social service agencies, but send her members out to

such. And so a "volunteer" becomes such only through worship in the Church. It is because of his attendance at worship that he is sent to do a specific task for a given institution or agency, says Dr. Aldrich.

The volunteers come from all parts of New York. They are young and old, ranging in ages from 25 to 60. A representative of the Parish must be a member of the board or agency before volunteers will be sent to an institution. This representative is responsible for the volunteers. Before a volunteer is definitely assigned, he or she must see the work to be done, is given a manual, and must pass a probation period. A careful check on each volunteer is kept. Mrs. Higgins, chairman of the Church Community Service Advisory Board, is herself a volunteer.

Today volunteers of the Ascension are working in and with twenty-three centers and agencies throughout New York. Here are a few of them: Beekman St. Hospital, Church Mission of Help, City Mission, Gramercy Dental Clinic, Greenwich House, Riis Neighborhood House, Judson Health Center, Labor Temple, Post Gradu-

ate Hospital, Roosevelt Hospital, St. Luke's Hospital, Washington Square Home and the New York Chapter of the Red Cross. During the past year they collected and distributed 7,000 books and magazines; 2,500 articles.

"Our faith is alive in us only as we ourselves live it in practical terms," says Dr. Aldrich, commenting on the plan. "For the spirit of true religion is completed and made real by what it does."

One other interesting venture in the program of the Church of the Ascension. Dr. Aldrich calls it the "Open Door." The door of the Church is never closed and in the course of a year, 15,000 persons enter the building between eight at night and six in the morning. They come for a moment of prayer and rest, all types and descriptions. At all times there is visible the large painting of the "Ascension of Our Lord" above the altar. It is the work of the famous artist, John LaFarge, and stands in first rank of modern mural decoration. Many bewildered and forlorn, entering the church in the middle of the night, see this illumined painting, stop to kneel and pray, and go away strengthened.

Thus a great church in a great city performs its task.

A smile, a cheering word and a good book—these are the stock in trade of the attractive young woman at the left. She is shown with the book cart which volunteers from the Church of the Ascension take about several large New York Hospitals. This photo was taken at Post-Graduate Hospital. Below, Margaret, Tommy, and Evelyn are starting out for St. Mary's Hospital for Children in the car of an Ascension volunteer.



Photo by Hiram Myers





“We’re on Move”

—Says the Presiding Bishop

Telegrams, telephone messages, letters and actual cash poured in to the Presiding Bishop recently when the Missionary Shortage Effort came to a climax. At the left, Bishop Tucker is shown receiving one of the telegrams from Mrs. Clinton S. Quin of Houston, Texas. Note the piles of messages. Indications were that funds needed would be raised.

“THE Church is on the move. She has developed a momentum as a result of the Missionary Shortage Effort. Our job now is to keep her moving, and if we do, no force in the world can stop her.”

That in brief is the situation at the present time as described by the Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, D.D., in reporting results of the Shortage Effort to the National Council. Bishop Tucker used a homely illustration to make his point; he lives on a high place in Richmond, Va., where he can see the coal cars brought down to town on the Chesapeake and Ohio. “As long as the train keeps moving,” he observed, “all is well, but when it stops, it takes tremendous energy to get it started again. So it is with the Church.”

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The Missionary Shortage Fund in cash and pledges amounted to \$256,000 at the time National Council met, according to reports given the Council by the Rev. Dr. Charles W. Sheerin, Vice-President. Both Bishop Tucker and Dr. Sheerin expressed the hope that the full \$300,000 needed would be forthcoming.

A budget for 1940 of \$2,325,000 was adopted by the Council. This is approximately the same as 1939. However, the Council authorized its 1940 Budget Committee to make readjustments on the basis of evaluations now in progress if the full amount is not in sight after the Every

Member Canvass next fall. The Rt. Rev. W. Appleton Lawrence of Western Massachusetts, is chairman of the committee. This action of the Council is intended to avoid another serious shortage in missionary funds such as occurred this year.

Responsibility for balancing the 1939 budget, dependent upon the final outcome of the Shortage Effort, was left to the Presiding Bishop, the Treasurer and the Second Vice-President.

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General principles governing the work of each department of the National Council were set forth in an important report of the Committee on Policy and Strategy and adopted by the Council. With regard to missionary administration, the report states: such shall be along the following lines: “Conscientious conformity to the decisions of General Convention; a sense of stewardship in the allocation and disbursement of the funds entrusted to our charge; constant consideration of the future of the fields in which the Church is working; frequent evaluation of every project which we are wholly or partially supporting; and the recognition and preservation of the initiative and leadership of bishops and workers in the missionary field.”

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The Rev. Dr. Robert W. Patton informed the National Council that the trustees of the American Church Institute for Negroes had advised the board of the Fort Valley Normal

and Industrial School to consummate an arrangement by which the school will be turned over to the State of Georgia, and will cease to be an Institute school. The change is advantageous, Dr. Patton explained, because the state agrees to operate it on a much larger scale than is possible for the Institute, and it will perform a greatly increased service to the Negro people. Church interests are protected by the erection of a Church Center with a resident clergyman of the Episcopal Church in charge, assisted by trained graduates in social work and religious education from the Tuttle School. The center will be ready for use in the early fall.

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The progress toward reunion by the various Methodist bodies was noted with interest and approval by the Council, which sent a message of greeting to the Methodist reunion meeting being held at the same time in Kansas City, the opening devotional service of which was held in Grace and Holy Trinity (Episcopal) Cathedral, of which the Very Rev. Claude W. Sprouse, Council member, is dean.

The new division of college work and youth asked the Presiding Bishop to “issue a call to the youth of the Church to unite under the standard of Christ,” the call to be incorporated in a Guide on the Young Churchman Movement, soon to be published. The Division proposes to call a preliminary conference of representative young people from the whole Church in the late summer or early fall.

Launch Case Work Survey

CHURCH AGENCY STUDIES FIELD



Mrs. Theodore W. Case, New York, national president of CMH

Photo by E. F. Foley, N. Y.

A NATION-WIDE study of its field of work, looking toward the development of a long-time future program of development is being undertaken by Church Mission of Help, national case work organization of the Church. Announcement of the study is made by Mrs. Theodore W. Case, New York, national president.

The survey is being made by Mr. Francis McLean of the Family Welfare Association of America staff. Serving on the study committee from the board of CMH are: Norman F. Lovett, chairman; Mrs. Kendall Emerson, Miss Mary Lucas, Dr. Herbert B. Wilcoe, Jr., and Mrs. Case, all of New York, and Mrs. Theodore W. Robinson of Chicago.

Church Mission of Help was organized in 1909 to provide case work

service under Church auspices for girls with serious problems of personal and social adjustment. The Rev. J. O. S. Huntington of the Order of the Holy Cross had been serving as chaplain in certain penal institutions and had become concerned about the lack of opportunity for some of the girls when they left the institution. He enlisted the interest of Bishop Manning, then rector of Trinity Church, New York, who called the meeting at which Church Mission of Help was organized. Among the original founders were Mr. and Mrs. John M. Glenn and Mr. Jacob Riis. During the past thirty years, the work of this society has extended to sixteen dioceses of the Church.

During the thirty years of its ex-

istence, CMH has made many necessary adjustments and changes in its program to meet current needs of young people. Some of the societies have been providing youth consultation service on a case work basis for any young person who wished to discuss their personal or social problems with a professional social worker of the Church. Increasingly, the services of the workers of CMH have been available to the clergy for assistance in solving any adjustment problems of their parishioners.

One of the advantages of a case working agency such as CMH is its ability to adjust to changing needs. The present study of the work of the National Council CMH has been entered upon to determine the future development of its program.

Paul Revere's Lantern

Two and a half centuries is a long time in the life of the Episcopal Church in America. The Massachusetts Diocesan Library has a collection of manuscripts dating from 1688 to the present time, which have been inventoried by the Historical Records Survey of the Works Progress Administration. The entries vary widely in interest, naturally, but they make available a vast amount of material important to students.

The inventory's brief digests of the items include bits of interest to the historically-minded, such as the name of the man who hung up the lantern for Paul Revere (probably everybody in New England knows this). There is a statement written in 1799 by the Rt. Rev. Edward Bass, first Bishop of Massachusetts, saying that he expects to call a special convention since the General Convention cannot meet

in Philadelphia because of the "Disastrous Calamities" which had befallen that city. What were these? General Convention did meet there that year, in June. The inventory lists two letters from David Livingstone describing journeys in Africa.

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Give the "sacred tenth" to charity if you would be happy, advises Paul P. Rohns, prominent Grand Rapids (Mich.) insurance man and member of Grace Church there. Speaking before the congregation of Grace Church, Mr. Rohns said: "The same Lord who commanded the tithe also commanded 'Prove Me.' The promised blessing is the logical consequence of the willing obedience to the command. If we acknowledge God as the source of all good, then we must not fail to honor Him with our substance. The 'sacred tenth' is our first obligation. One tither has said to me: 'I cannot afford not to tithe.'"

100 Per Cent! St. Paul's Church, Nantucket Island, Mass., reports 100 per cent of its vestry now receiving THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS. Writing the rector, the Rev. Barrett P. Tyler, D.D., the Presiding Bishop says: "If each vestryman will read THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS regularly, he will be better able to serve his Parish and his Church." The Presiding Bishop would like to know the names of other parishes where all vestrymen receive the magazine.



Vacation Spirit Is N Study as Church S Conferences Are

Mountains and lake shores; prairies and hillsides—almost any type of climatic and topographical conditions can be had at the 160 summer conferences of the Church throughout the country this summer. A bit of Colorado, with pine trees and dashing Bear Creek, is seen at the left, featured at the Evergreen Conference. Above on the opposite page is a glimpse of the campus at Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass., where one of the oldest and largest conferences is held. And then there is old Racine College campus at Racine, Wis., one view of which is shown below. Here the Mid-West Conference is held. Photo of Evergreen, by Lindevall, Denver; of Racine, by Wesley Bowman Studio, Chicago.

THE controversy has never been settled as to which American bishop has the country's most beautiful scenery, but the Church's summer conferences include it all. Rocky Mountains and Blue Ridge, the shores of both oceans, countless lakes and forests, prairies and hillsides, are the scene of 160 Episcopal Church gatherings from the middle of May to September. New England elms, Minnesota cottonwoods and New Mexico cactus, Montana sage brush and Louisiana magnolias all look benignly down (or up) at the throng of youth and age that gathers for a brief intensive season of refreshment and inspiration.

M-G-M attended the summer conference in Idaho, not, it is true, so much to study parish administration as to take some scenes for its Northwest Passage movie. The bishop dismissed the conference classes for a day and invited the movie directors to lunch, two of whom proved to be Churchmen. ("I've been in every hell-hole in the country," one of them remarked, "but I'm still an Episcopalian.")

Although one may not find motion picture people at every Church conference, he is sure to find other and even more stimulating attractions.

And while there seems as yet to be no nursery schools or kindergartens in the movement, every other age and status of Church member is provided for. There are schools, conferences, retreats and camps, for boys, girls, young people, college girls, rural workers, Church school teachers, social workers, choirs, Orientals, white people, colored people, clergy, laymen, women, and one which specifies "both parents."

All this seems to have started with two almost simultaneous little groups thirty-five years ago, one at New Milford, Conn., the other at Richfield Springs, N. Y., Diocese of Albany, in the summer of 1904. The total attendance has never been recorded but it now runs far up into the thousands every year.

The influence of the young people's conference at St. Paul's School, Concord, N. H., (June 26-July 5) has made itself known throughout New England and is one of the reasons why young people's work has prospered in that whole province.

Wellesley — Sewanee — Kanuga — Racine — Evergreen — these are all great conference centers, with a host of others, large and small, old and young, down to the youngest, the Kansas Diocesan Conference holding

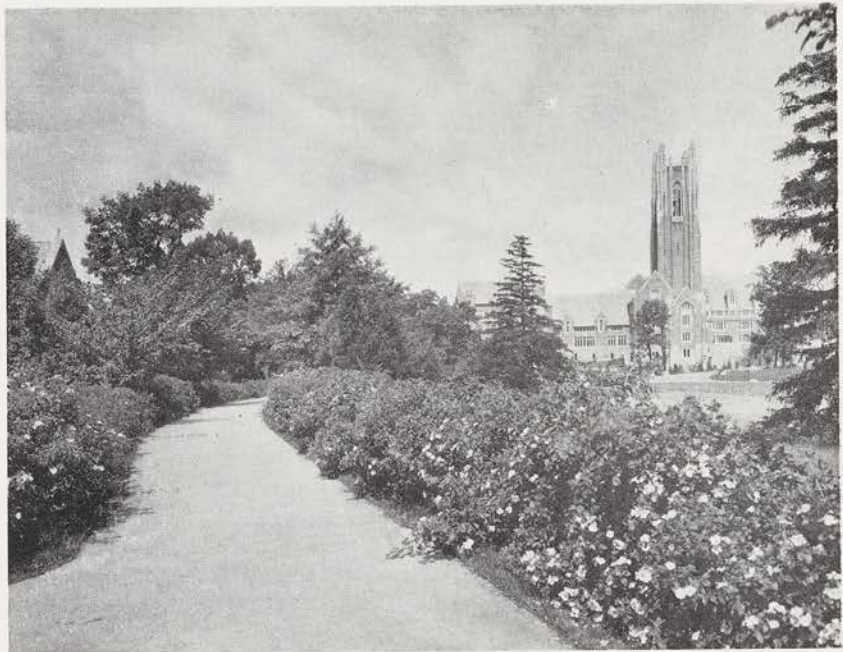
its first session this year, June 18-23.

Wellesley, June 26-July 7, housed in Wellesley College buildings and now in its 35th year, drew an amused comment from Vida Scudder in its early years. When she was asked to take part in it, she questioned whether anything lasting could be achieved by a two-weeks' university, but she came to be a leader in its large faculty of distinguished Church teachers. The Wellesley Conference really is a university, with three schools, one for Church workers, one for Religious Drama, one for Christian Social Ethics.

A whole series of conferences and retreats, from July 17 to August 18, take place in the beautiful conference center at Evergreen, Col., which has grown up around the name of the Douglas family. The Rev. Winfred Douglas, Mus. D., canon of St. John's Cathedral, Denver, has been a guiding spirit of this center whose influence extends throughout all the Middle West and Rocky Mountain area. The late Mrs. Douglas presented the first piece of land given to the diocese for conference purposes.

The former Racine College buildings at Racine, Wis., operated now as the De Koven Foundation, with a

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long record of Church association, is divided into three summer lectures—for General Church Workers, for College Work, for Clergy and Social Workers. Dates—June 26 to July 7.

On Kanuga Lake, Hendersonville, N. C., a conference center has grown steadily under the devoted care of the late Kirkman Finlay, Bishop of the neighboring Diocese of Upper South Carolina. A chapel for the center is now to be erected in his memory. Eight conferences and camps are held at Kanuga between July 1 and August 26.

The whole Province of Sewanee has long been active in the conference movement. The Sewanee Summer Training School meets at Sewanee itself, which is in Tennessee. In the buildings of the University of the South, starting July 24 and running to the end of August, there are six gatherings.

Other names and places are equally well known to the groups who go there year by year. Programs of the summer conferences are full of discussion groups, workshops, drama and singing (one of the boys who went from a little desert town to the

Nevada conference had never before heard any hymns sung), lectures by "experts" on their favorite pursuits, and a lot of straight teaching, the definite instruction on the meaning of religion and the Church which many reports show that young people are asking for.

Through it all runs a stream of fun and friendship—unshakable friendships are started at summer conferences among people who may meet as total strangers. And over all is the inspiration of common prayer and worship with which each day is begun, continued, and ended.

A devoted Churchwoman, wanting to have a share in the Missionary Shortage Fund, offered a valuable violin as her contribution.

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Jews, Roman Catholics and members of various non-Roman communions coöperated recently in Cincinnati in presenting in recital Mischa Elman for the benefit of the German Refugee Fund. Dr. William S. Keller, founder of the School of Applied Religion, made the arrangements. Mr. Elman was guest of honor at a tea at the School of Applied Religion during his visit to Cincinnati.

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Magna Carta Day will be observed throughout the Anglican Communion on June 18, under auspices of The International Magna Carta Association. The Rt. Rev. Frank A. McElwain, Bishop of Minnesota, is president of the association.

Believed to be the first mission school to employ radio to develop interest in its work is the "Colegio Episcopal de San Pablo," better known as St. Paul's School, Camaguey, Cuba. The school has arranged a regular hour on Station CMJK and short wave station COJK. The Rev. Paul A. Tate is principal.

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A World War hero died recently in Alaska. He was Frank Fanchon, a product of the Anvik Mission School. He had won distinction during the war, receiving, among other decorations, the Purple Heart. He had grown up at the Anvik school and attributed his spirit of service to his training there. He had been known for years to the Rev. and Mrs. John W. Chapman, former missionaries at Anvik, and is pointed to as an example of what missions can do for native Alaskans.





Photo by F. L. P. G.

Advance in Mexico

YOUNG MEXICO still likes to deck himself out in all his glory. At the left are two Mexican youth, dressed up as charros.

THE Mexican clergy of the Episcopal Church go their quiet ways with so little notice taken of them by the Church at large that the hardships and actual dangers they encounter are hardly known.

The Bishop of Mexico, the Rt. Rev. Efrain Salinas y Velasco, informed the 25th annual convocation of his district that, through the fanatical antagonism of Romanists in one field, one of the clergy had been finding copies of anonymous letters in his house, inciting the population against him, and in the local press the same man was accused of being a traitor to Church and State. Another of the clergy was obliged to leave his town by threats of kidnaping and of

murder, all because he had held meetings of the Woman's Auxiliary and the Young People's League in his house.

Love of their country and pride in it almost invariably appear in every utterance of the bishop and his clergy.

The bishop confirmed 115 during the past year, nearly twice as many as in the previous year, and received 14.

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The district finance committee found it necessary to increase by one-fourth the 1939 quotas of each congregation, "in order that the district may fulfill its obligations to the missions of the world."

Christ Church, Guadalajara, and the mission at San Pedro Martir are

completing new church buildings, and one for St. Michael's, Mimiapan, was dedicated in May.

When the bishop was near a place called Apeo, he had a visit from a group of young men, "full of joy and eagerness for affiliation with the Episcopal Church." They have since been organized as St. Stephen's Mission and asked admission to the convocation. Two clergy working in that field were responsible for this.

The bishop delights in commending his faithful clergy, and spoke especially of the dean of them all, the Rev. José A. Carrion, 83 years old, one of the earliest leaders when the Episcopal Church began work in Mexico, and still indefatigable.

A Church Without Episcopalians!

AND A REAL OPPORTUNITY, TOO

AN Episcopal Church in a village where there are no Episcopalians!

The congregation of All Saints' Church, Mendota, California, in the District of San Joaquin, consists of Pentecostals, Lutherans, Methodists and others of a variety of religious affiliations or with none. Migrant camps, peopled by refugees from the dust bowl, workers on the large rice and cotton farms nearby and the people who earn their living in the village contribute to the unique group which worships on Sunday in accordance with the Book of Common Prayer.

A Church school of more than a hundred members and a women's society, thirty strong, implement the educational and social aims of the congregation.

Not all of "sunny California" is desirable to live in. The drabness of this struggling settlement on the edge of the desert is difficult to picture, but the people have great potentialities.

About ten years ago an interested woman who owned property in Mendota gave the bishop a few building

lots and urged the beginning of a project in this community where there was no organized religious work. Occasional services in the school house met with an encouraging response and a silent church, sixty miles away, was taken down, loaded on a truck, and rebuilt with a few modifications on the newly acquired site.

From the beginning, the visits of the clergy have been irregular of necessity, but a lay reader, a Presbyterian who later was confirmed as well as all the members of his family, superintended the Church school and read the service. When his business compelled him to move away, three girls of high school age nobly carried on the school until with the coming of new people a fresh beginning was made.

Last spring, an insistent request for "preaching" reached the bishop, and the Rev. Ralph Cox, vicar of Madera, thirty miles distant, was appointed to make semi-monthly visits. His preaching is appreciated, but of more value is his pastoral interest. The school has grown from thirty to its

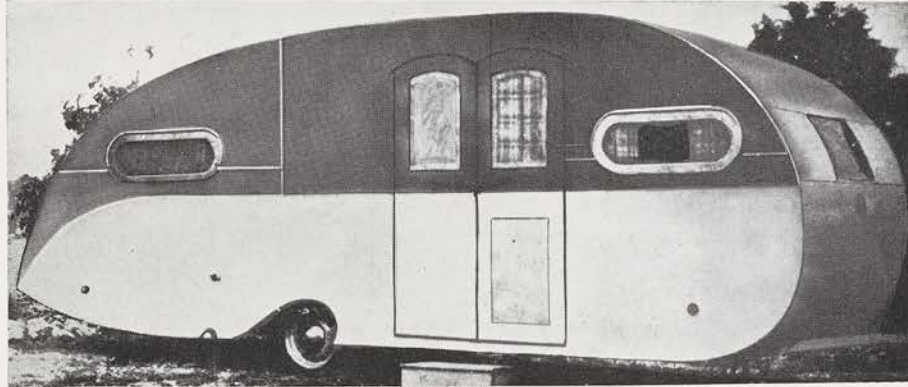
present proportions, and all the teachers and the pupils with the exception of some of the littlest stay to "church."

Now plans have been drawn for a parish hall, much needed, the bishop was told, because there was not room for the children in the church and also because the people wish to preserve the character of the church as a house of prayer.

"Wherever an ambitious town has been promoted and its real estate sponsors have erected a hotel and a city hall," says the Bishop of San Joaquin, the Rt. Rev. Louis C. Sanford, "the Home Missions Council has had difficulty in preventing rival churches from crowding each other off the lot; but there are hundreds of hamlets and school districts in the West where the Episcopal Church can, if it will, do a constructive evangelistic work. Such little churches like Mendota can not become immediately self-supporting, some of them will never be independent; but all will yield rich dividends in life and influence. The field is white to the harvest."

A BISHOP GOES FLYING. At the right, Bishop Mitchell of Arizona, and Mrs. Mitchell are about to start off on a flight with A. Lee Moore, an Arizona layman. The purpose of the flight was to create interest in a Post-Madras Conference meeting, and it worked. Mr. Moore is a licensed pilot and operates his own plane. This trip was a new experience for Bishop Mitchell.





A side view of St. Christopher's Chapel, provided for outlying Los Angeles missionary fields by the Daughters of the King. (George A. Nash photo.)

D. of K. Give Trailer Church

DIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES RECEIVES IT

OUT among the small churchless communities of the Diocese of Los Angeles is seen these days a new shiny trailer. Closer examination reveals the fact that this is not an ordinary trailer, but is actually a traveling church—St. Christopher's Chapel, it is called.

This trailer, fully equipped for chapel arrangements, has been given to the diocese by the Daughters of the King of Los Angeles. When members of the D. of K. exhibited it for the first time recently, they were kept

busy changing the breakfast nook into full-sized double bed; converting a shelf into a stove and kitchen table, and the wardrobe drawers into the dividing partition to close the living quarters from the chapel. This latter bit of manipulation brings into being the sacristy.

A beautiful altar is built into the chapel so that when the double entrance doors are open, a complete chancel is available. The back of the altar is shelved to hold vestments, Prayer Books and other supplies,

and a folding box arrangement completely covers and holds it in place while on the road or when the trailer is rectory in place of church. Opposite the covered altar is a wall space against which can be stored folding chairs, awning and so on. A portable organ is another bit of equipment of this novel chapel.

Through the use of the chapel, it is planned to take the Church to countless small communities and rural sections which otherwise would be without the services.

Salesmanship. A little boy down in the Archdeaconry of the Blue Ridge, Virginia, was out selling copies of *THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS*. He approached a neighbor, a member of another communion, and asked him to buy a copy. The neighbor was not particularly interested. The boy looked up and said: "Please, I wish you would buy one. Our rector is so anxious to increase the population." The neighbor hastened to buy.

A nasturtium vine thirty feet long is the proud record of one missionary's spare moments, and this in Alaska. Missionaries from that region never tire of telling people outside how marvelous the Alaskan summer is, while it lasts.

Miss Bessie Blacknall is the grower of the nasturtium. She and Deaconess Thompson and Marguerite Bartberger live at St. Mark's Mission, Nenana, on the Tanana River far up in the interior of Alaska. The Right Rev. John Boyd Bentley, suffragan bishop, and Mrs. Bentley have their headquarters here. Miss Blacknall is head of the mission school for Indian children, part of whose training is in gardening.

The women will find a way. One Churchwoman, ill when the Missionary Shortage Effort started, invited vestrymen of her parish to come and see her. They did, and she convinced them their parish should contribute liberally to the Shortage Fund.

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The new book by the Rt. Rev. Frank E. Wilson, D.D., Bishop of Eau Claire, is well named: *Faith and Practice*. Its 320 pages include a remarkable amount of instruction in the Christian faith plus stimulating comment on practice, all in Bishop Wilson's lucid and winsome style. (Morehouse-Gorham, New York. \$2.50.)

NATIONAL COMMITTEE SAYS—

URGES ACTION

IN PARISHES

TO MEET SITUATION

DECLARING that on the principles of Christianity democracy rests, a special committee of the Episcopal Church, has issued a pamphlet calling upon parishes to appoint German Refugee Committees and to assist in bringing refugees to America.

"Present world conditions, growing out of a denial of fundamental Christian principles," declares the pamphlet, "force luckless men, women and children into exile. The way is open for a small proportion of those so wronged to find their way to America, traditionally the land of the victims of injustice and persecution, religious or political.

"But they cannot come unaided. They need friends. They would naturally turn to those of the same household of faith. Jews are willingly caring for their co-religionists. Christians ought to be able to look to their brethren in the churches for similar friendly help."

The special Episcopal committee which is working with the Department of Christian Social Relations of the National Council is headed by the Rt. Rev. Paul Jones.

National Council in its recent session passed resolutions stating: "In view of the persecution of minorities now taking place in Europe, we, as Christians and in keeping with the traditional spirit of our country, reaffirm our conviction that the United States should continue to show its spirit of generosity and hospitality in opening its doors to afflicted people." It also commended the program of the special German Refugee Committee.

"Many people have a sense of dissatisfaction with themselves and with their relationship to the world in which they live. And they read a great deal of popular literature about the need of 'a new orientation of life' or 'the reconstruction of our personality around a new center,'" observes the Forward Movement's Guide called

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Christian Worship Personal and Corporate.

"The phrases are modern but the idea is as old as Christianity. The new center which our life needs is God; and the process of reconstruction of personality begins when we first bring our unruly knees and our still more unruly souls into the attitude of worship."

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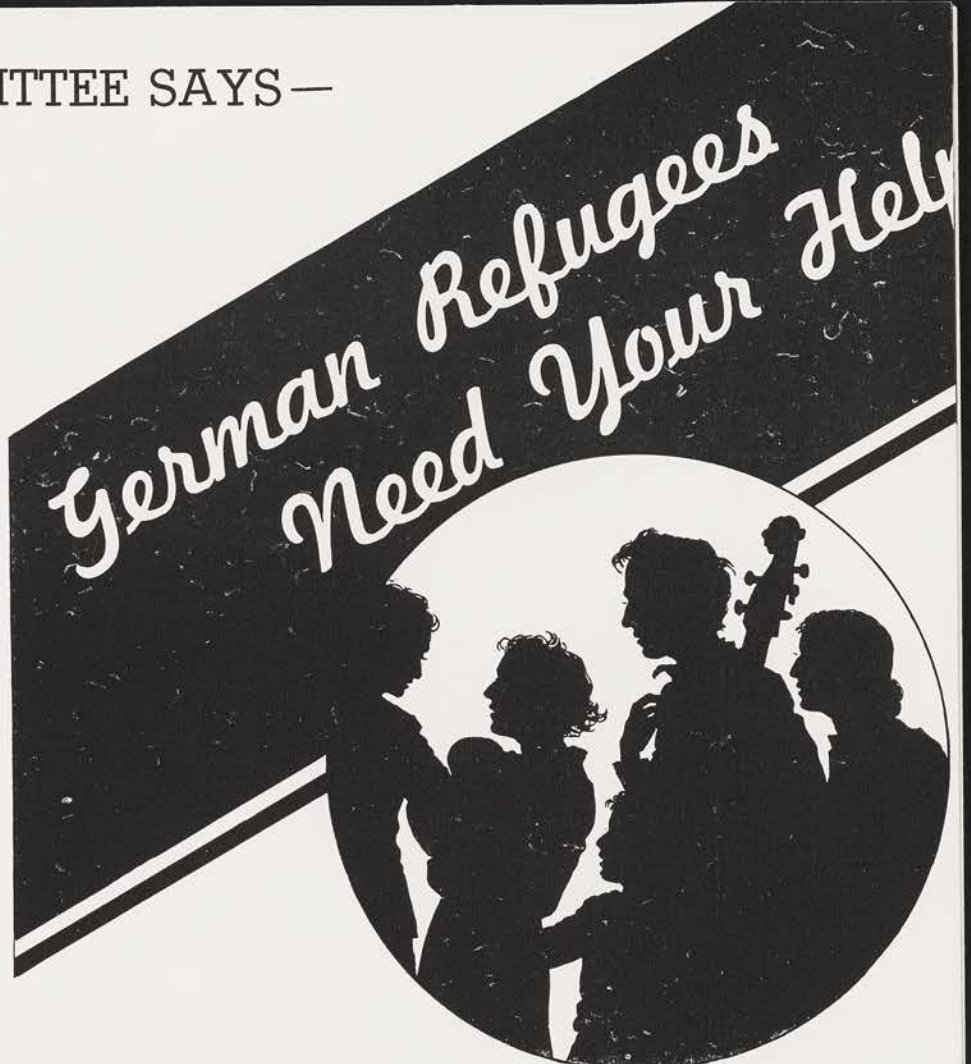
One of the first visits made by the new Bishop of Cuba, the Rt. Rev. Hugo Blankingship, was to Santiago de Cuba, where with the Rev. J. B. Mancebo as priest-in-charge, St. Mary's Church has three congregations, English-speaking, Spanish-speaking, and West Indian, and there are three or four chapels in the country round. After a Saturday night service at St. Luke's, a Sunday morning confirmation at St. Andrew's, an afternoon confirmation in English at St. Mary's, and an English service at night at St. Andrew's, the Bishop was carried off next day by the whole Church community for its annual all-day picnic, attended by 300.

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A radio program sponsored by the Home Missions Council will be broadcast during the summer every Thursday at 12:30 p. m.

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A West Indian physician now practicing in New York has been giving two scholarships to the mission school he attended in Trinidad. On a visit home lately he met the English missionary to whom he had sent the scholarships and said that they



were incidental, he really wanted to build something. The missionary needed a new country school and presented the opportunity, which was accepted. "He was as pleased as if I had saved him from drowning," says the missionary.

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Members of the University Club of Chicago are to have an opportunity to read THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS. Mr. Angus S. Hibbard, devoted Chicago Churchman, has given a subscription to the University Club, and the magazine will appear each month in the reading room. Who'll be the next to give business clubs subscriptions?

An Idea for Photos. Camera fans who have been wondering how to get a winner in THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS photo awards, here's an idea: This magazine would like photos on the theme: "The Postman Brings the Mail." He must bring it in all sorts of costumes and vehicles; by airplane up in Alaska, perhaps; by runner in Liberia; by bicycle, somewhere. See what you can find in this category.

Photo Awards-

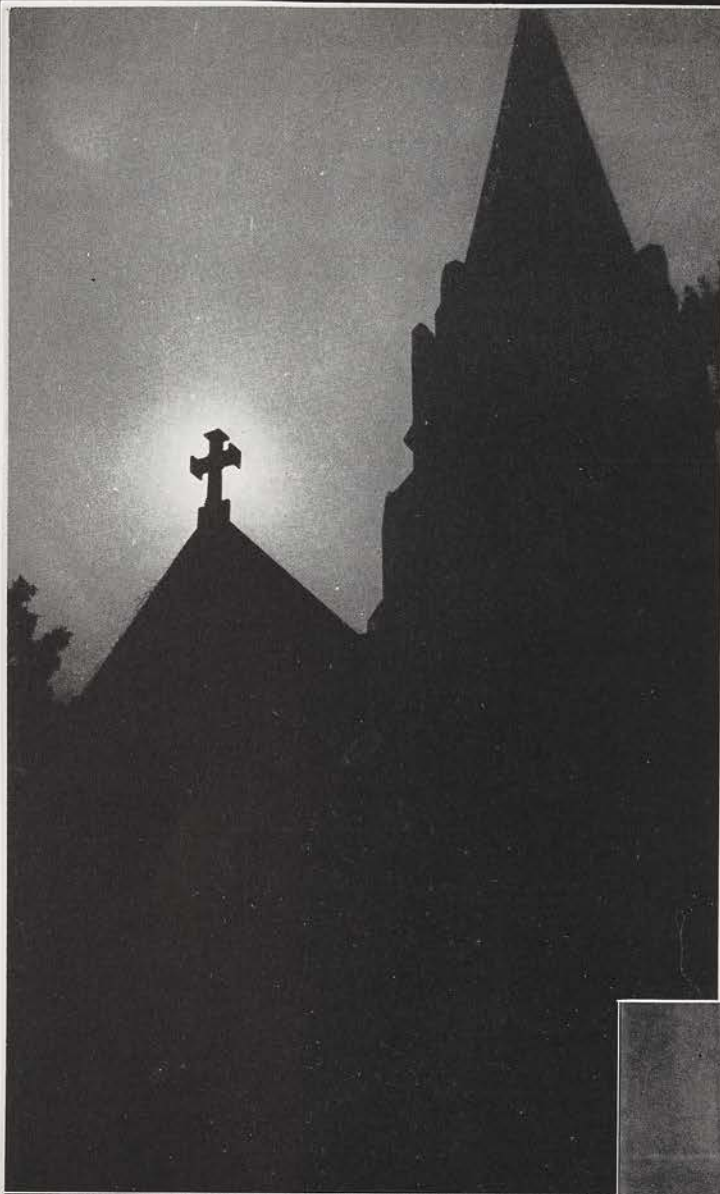
ANOTHER varied array of photographs reached the Photo Editor of THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS in competition for the second series of awards announced with this issue. Amazing skill is evident in many of the entries. Unusual studies were numerous. Here are the results:

FIRST AWARD: "*The Cross at Sunset*" (left) is the title given the first award of five dollars. It was submitted by Mrs. William Andrew Smith of Texarkana, Texas. It shows St. James' Church, Texarkana, its cross silhouetted against a late afternoon sky.

SECOND AWARD: From far off in the Philippine Islands comes the photo which is awarded second place of three dollars. "*Preparing for the Feast*" (below, right) is its title and it shows girls of the Tinguian Tribe at Talalang, near Balbalassang in the Mountain Province of the Philippines, pounding rice in preparation for a village feast. It was submitted by Deaconess C. G. Massey. Only on feast occasions, perhaps a marriage or a burial, is the rice ground by groups like this.

THIRD AWARD: "*Seminole Mother and Child*" (below, left), submitted by Allen Schmidt of Terre Haute, Ind., is given the third award of two dollars. It is quite evident the child is a bit camera shy.

Another series of Photo Awards will be announced in the July issue. Send in your entries. Unusual studies of all sorts are wanted. There are no limitations. Send entries to: Photo Editor, THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y.



ED. NOTE: The author of this article is the wife of the Rev. Matthew S. Higgins, Rector of Christ Church, Stevensville, Md. The article shows what can be done in a very small parish with a minimum of equipment. Stevensville is a quiet little village on Kent Island, rather isolated from the busy currents of life. The parish church has only thirty-three communicants and an enrollment in the Church school of thirty-two. There is no parish house and little money for supplies, but a live and very interesting work is done with the children.



Children of Christ Church Cathedral, Eau Claire, Wis., in their workshop. They have done forty prayer benches and many crosses for their home prayer corners in recent weeks.

Our Workshop

By BERTHA H. HIGGINS

CAN the back porch of a country rectory where a whistling boy is busily engaged with hammer, nails and a jack knife making a cross for his prayer corner be called a workshop? I wondered.

Can the kindergarten-primary room of a Church school where with tables, floor and their own clothing protected by newspapers, a group of children experiments with a mass of clay to see if they too can make water jugs, vases and candlesticks as did the ancient people, and another group paints and decorates bottles to be used as flower holders be called a workshop? Again I wondered.

Can the back yard of this same rectory where a small circle of youngsters gathered around a bushel basket of oyster shells eagerly select the biggest and best and rush over to the pump where with much laughter and splashing they proceed to wash and dry them before taking them in to the aforesaid paper-covered tables to shellac and decorate them, thereby transforming them into ash trays to be presented to Dad and Grandfather and Uncle Jack (who has no children) on Father's Day, be called a workshop?

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I went to the unabridged dictionary and looked up the word "workshop." Among other definitions I found this one, "a place for making or repairing." A place, any place it would seem.

Yes, we've had experience with a workshop. And why did we find it necessary or valuable to do this sort of thing in a Church school?

Years ago when only a young girl. I had begun my teaching career in a one-room rural school with children from the first grade to the sixth and I had learned vastly more than in my youth and inexperience I had been able to teach. Among those things which I had found most valuable in all my subsequent teaching experience were the following: Well planned work is the secret of good discipline. Children must be kept busy but not with "busy work." Any work given to a child must be purposeful and fill a real need. Some children are eye-minded, some ear-minded, others motor-minded. But whenever it is possible to use all three avenues of approach to a child's mind a lasting impression is almost certain to be made.

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This little Church school with children of varying ages and no teachers available other than the rector and myself was not unlike that first little rural school back in New England. And so while the rector took the few older boys and young men in one room it was up to me to manage all the others and make the most of our limited time.

"God spoke to Moses"—"God spoke to Samuel." God spoke, but does He ever speak to us? Among the stories and illustrations we have used to help the children understand that God does speak to us if we will listen and then do the things He tells us to do, our favorite is perhaps one taken from that delightful book of Hulda Niebuhr's, *Greatness Passing By*, entitled Bless Grandfather.

According to this story Peter had been told in Sunday school that "God can't listen to our prayers if we don't care enough about what we say to be willing to help make them come true." And he had helped "God Bless Grandfather" by making grandfather a much needed magazine rack in the manual training class at school.

This story brought out the fact that our children had no manual training class at school. And so here was one more opportunity of giving the children something which they very much wanted and could not get elsewhere and so helping to tie them to the Church with one more bond of affection.

In reading about the Healing of the Paralytic it seemed advisable to show the children more plainly than through a small picture just how the houses of that day were built. As the rector had assembled a few tools, paint brushes and odd cans of paint in an old out-building we asked one of the boys to bring an orange crate and used the rector's workshop several times.

We have already approached our local dealers asking them to save orange crates and other wooden boxes for us.

We expect to have some donations of partly used cans of paint, varnish and shellac. We shall also ask for donations of nails and the use of tools. But since good tools are required for good workmanship we are inclined to think we shall find it necessary to put on some sort of "money-raising affair" and buy our own tools.



YOUNG PEOPLE GO TO WORLD CONFERENCE

Two of the delegates to the Amsterdam Conference: (left) Peter M. Day of Milwaukee, Wis.; Margaret D. Jefferson, New York



Problems of the economic order, Church and State, education, race, marriage and family life, the nature and mission of the Church—these are among the problems which will be discussed by young people from all over the world at the first World Conference of Christian Youth, to be held at Amsterdam, July 24 to Aug. 2.

Some of the delegates will be much like the American Episcopal group in experience and background. Others will come directly from poverty, oppression, and the brink of war. The young people will come face to face, some of them for the first time, with the grim effects of paganism in the modern world. They will be forced to do some very hard and honest thinking about the Christian faith and its task today. They will be able to bring back to all the youth of the Church a challenge to action.

Those representing the Episcopal Church are: Peter Boes, Berkeley, Calif.; William Davidson, Bozeman, Mont.; Peter Day, Milwaukee, Wis.; Margaret Jefferson, New York; Florence Carter Lerch, Charlotte, N. C.; the Rev. Charles W. Lowry, Jr., Alexandria, Va.; Ernestine Postles, Detroit, Mich.; Frank Rowley, Morgantown, W. Va.; Mary Sharpe, Port Arthur, Tex.; and the Rev. John Page Williams, Groton, Mass. Mr. Lowry and Mr. Williams will serve as discussion group leaders at the Conference.

In addition to these official representatives, about forty young people and youth leaders from all over the country are going to Amsterdam at the time of the Conference in order to bring back first-hand information and reports to youth in various dioceses and provinces.

The Episcopal group will sail on the S. S. *Statendam* of the Holland-America Line on July 13. Three days will be spent in England, visiting London and Canterbury. Then the party will proceed to Holland, arriving on July 24, the day the Conference opens.

Archbishop William Temple, Dr. T. Z. Koo, and Dr. W. A. Visser't Hooft will be among the speakers at the Conference. There will be daily Bible study, and daily discussions in special interest groups.

Plans are being made for a follow-up of the Conference in this country next fall. Interdenominational youth meetings will be held in many places. It is also hoped that brief speaking tours can be arranged for delegates, so that they can bring the message of the Conference direct to the youth of the Episcopal Church.

Mary Thomas Serves C.P.C. 25 Years

Twenty-five years of service as executive secretary of the national Church Periodical Club is the record attained by Miss Mary E. Thomas. Her name during the past quarter century has become known to thousands in all parts of the world.

Miss Thomas reports the past year has been the best in her experience in many ways. Among the year's achievements she noted the dedication of the Heinigke Memorial Library at St. Mark's Normal and Industrial School, a project on which

the club has been working for more than two years; a gift to replace books lost by Bishop Roberts of Shanghai; numerous novel developments such as contact with a bus driver who takes a package of books and magazines and drops them off at a Veteran's Tubercular Hospital, a hundred miles distant; coöperation with County Home demonstrators who distribute C.P.C. books and magazines on trips to rural communities; and active help given a Parent-Teacher's Association, which asks its

members to make contributions to the C.P.C., a secular contact new in the experience of the club.

Church Periodical Club statistics run into almost unbelievable figures. In the past year nearly 22,000 current magazines were forwarded regularly; 96,000 books were distributed. A total of 1,772,398 magazines and reading matter were supplied to 2,270 institutions.

Church Periodical Club headquarters are at Church Missions House, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York.

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(Above) Refugees in War-Torn China

News from Abroad by John W. Wood

JUST before the last meeting of the National Council there came to me a check for \$20 from a layman, formerly a member of our mission staff in China, now a teacher in a boys' school in this country. It was his gift to the Shortage Fund. He sent it with this note:

"It seems like a drop in the ocean; but it is just as much as I can give. I am praying that the money might come in; and I am doing what I can to answer my own prayer. It's much like the small boy who said to his mother, 'Mother, I prayed that the cat from next door would not come in here and eat our bird. Now I know the bird is safe.' The mother commended the boy for his faith. 'Yes,' he continued, 'I know the bird is safe. I killed the cat.'"

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Like all other missionary bishops overseas, Bishop Mosher has been telling members of his staff of the \$300,000 shortage and pointed out to them the possibility of a serious reduction in appropriations and a possible cut in salary. From the Rev. Edward Longid, one of the Igorot deacons ordained recently, there has come this reply:

"I have your letter regarding the present situation of our appropriation from America. It looks bad from the financial point of view but on the other hand I think it is a call for all of us to examine ourselves and see if we are standing behind the Church harmoniously, loyally and faithfully. It is no time for worrying but high time for a conscious realization of God's presence and power to provide for the necessities of the Church which we pray He will do. I thank you for advising us and encouraging us to pray harder for the Diocese and for the suggestions you made about some possible source of income. Let us pray and God will answer as He thinks best."

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In spite of continued unfavorable economic conditions during the year 1938, Bishop Colmore reports that the Missionary District of Puerto Rico has again paid its entire quota for the general missionary work of the Church. In addition gifts have been made for the endowment fund for the support of the episcopate. Some progress is being made in the direction of

the support of the clergy, in spite of the heritage from past centuries.

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In a personal letter about some of the experiences and joys of missionary life, one of our younger American clergy in Japan includes the privilege of taking Holy Communion to a dying Japanese boy and of seeing the "peace and radiance of Heaven descend on him before his departure from this life." Then there was the joy of "going into the country last fall to celebrate the Holy Communion for those unable to get into town for services except rarely. Their deep appreciation of our efforts showed that Christ has an unbreakable grip on their hearts. Our Japanese vestry voted a budget for the support of the Church in 1939 larger than ever before. The daughter of one of our Japanese vestrymen is fighting a magnificent battle for life against the killing tyranny of tuberculosis. For weeks the Holy Eucharist has been her staff of life and always a veritable halo stands about her face. Pray that she may recover. Her name is Eikwo Sano. On the bishop's next visit three catechumens will be baptized and five young people in one of the out-stations confirmed. This is a nation of brave people."

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Conditions in Central China have dislodged many members of the Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui from their homes and sent them wandering off into the southwestern part of the country. In Kweiyang, an important city in the vast Diocese of Hongkong—Victoria, of which Bishop Ronald Hall, of the Church of England, is the head, more than one hundred of these migrant families are now located. They have been accompanied by the Rev. Quentin Huang, one of the clergy of the Diocese of Anking whose congregation, known as the Church of the Pure in Heart, has been widely scattered. These people had rented quarters for a church and Mr. Huang was ministering to them. They were feeling safe until an air raid left the business section of the city in ruins.

Mr. Huang himself has been through innumerable bombings—the worst, when the train on which he had over 400 women and children traveling from Hankow to Changsha was bombed. Eight of his charges were killed, thirty wounded. He safely brought the wounded and the terrified women and children to Changsha, with little in the way of food and one stretch of twenty-four hours without water. This commission completed, he

went at Bishop Gilman's request, to Kweiyang to shepherd the Church people there.

We are witnessing today in China, the recurrence of some of the conditions described by the writer of the Acts of the Apostles, "Therefore, they that were scattered abroad went everywhere preaching the Word." It is suggestive that conditions that seem to spell overwhelming disaster in Nanchang, result in the carrying of the Gospel to Kweiyang.

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For 1938, the amount expended from the appropriation of the Church in the United States for work in the Philippine Islands was \$106,323. The amount received in offerings, school fees and medical fees was \$239,255 or more than twice as much as the amount provided from the appropriation schedule.

Perhaps someone asks whether, under these circumstances, it is necessary to make any appropriation at all for work in the Philippines. It must be remembered, however, that fees received must be used for the institutions giving the service. These institutions employ many members of the staff who receive no salary whatever from the appropriation schedule. Their support comes entirely from the earnings of the institutions. Of the total of \$239,255 given in the Philippine Islands, \$196,128 came from school and medical fees and \$43,127 from contributions and offerings.

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Bishop Binsted asks for two young unmarried clergymen to come to Japan to study the language and be prepared for evangelistic work in the Diocese of the Tohoku. He is asking also for a teacher in our school for Japanese kindergartners in the city of Sendai. It is known as Aoba Jo Gakko. Twenty-five years ago, the Woman's Auxiliary gave \$10,000 to build it. That original building is now worn out. The bishop wonders where money is to be found for a new and larger plant. He needs also, a young woman trained in the work of Religious Education and Sunday school methods to assist in Aoba and to stimulate and direct Sunday school effort throughout the diocese.

In making these requests, the Bishop reminds the Department that the Roman Catholic Bishop of Sendai has in Sendai city alone, fifty-two foreign workers. The entire staff of foreigners in our Diocese of the Tohoku which takes in almost a third of Japan's main island, consists of three clergymen and six women.



Churchwomen of New York did a fine piece of work for the Missionary Shortage Fund by collecting gold, silver and jewelry. Donated by members, the varied array of rings, bracelets, necklaces, brooches, watches, scarf pins, vases, flat silver and even a baby's silver mug, to say nothing of precious and semi-precious stones, was sold and proceeds given to the Shortage. At the left, Miss Elsie C. Hutton, Provincial President of the Woman's Auxiliary and chairman of the New York diocesan Auxiliary committee on missions, is shown examining some of the interesting contributions.

Study Social Trends at Madison Session

CONTEMPORARY social movements, trends in public welfare, community organization, pastoral work in rural communities and youth adjustment problems—these will be some of the subjects discussed at the seventeenth National Episcopal Conference on Rural Church Work, to be held in Madison, Wis., June 26-July 7.

The conference is held in coöperation with the Town and Country Leadership School of the College of Agriculture, University of Wisconsin.

It is a joint project of the national Departments of Christian Social Relations and Domestic Missions.

Clergy and lay workers will spend ten days in lecture courses, group discussions and community case studies and field trips. Representatives are appointed by their bishops as representatives of their dioceses. Some scholarships are available.

The annual Conference service will be at Grace Church, Madison, the Rev. F. D. Butler, D.D., rector, July 2. The annual meeting of the

Rural Workers' Fellowship, of which the Rev. Paul Engle, Bay City, Tex., is president, will be held Monday afternoon, July 3, with banquet the same evening.

Lecturers will include Dr. Roy J. Colbert, John R. Barton, Arthur F. Willoughby and Kimball Young. The Rev. Almon R. Pepper, executive secretary of the national Department of Christian Social Relations, is executive secretary of the conference and in charge of registration and program.

Unique Service Rendered To Deaf

The Episcopal Church is fortunate in having a staff of clergy which ministers especially to deaf people, with services conducted in the sign language. There are only 15 of these clergy, of whom three are retired, and although they are assisted by 25 lay readers, they cannot meet the opportunities open to them. Besides their church services they carry on an extensive personal pastoral ministry. One of them writes that the hoped-for unity between Presbyterian and Episcopal Church people would be made to order for him as he ministers now

to many Presbyterians.

They have their own organization, called the Conference of Church Workers among the Deaf, with the Rev. Henry J. Pulver of Philadelphia as president, and they publish their own monthly paper, *The Silent Missionary*.

It is not so difficult to find young men to carry on this ministry as it is to find funds to train them. A reinforcement fund has been started, of which the National Council is trustee with a goal of \$30,000. Half of this amount is being given by a Los An-

geles Churchwoman who is matching every gift to the fund until the total is reached. The fund is now almost up to \$14,000.

Christians of various names at the Grand Canyon, Arizona, have been discussing for some time the formation of a Community Church. One of the difficulties was to decide upon a clergyman. Finally they selected the Rev. T. C. Harris, Episcopal missionary at Williams, who has become the community pastor at the Grand Canyon, in addition to his other work. Mr. Harris also conducts a service Sunday nights for tourists at the Canyon.

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Extensive F. M. Work

MANY COMMITTEES CARRY ON EXTENSIVE ACTIVITIES



The Rt. Rev. Malcolm E. Peabody, Chairman of Committee on Conferences.

While thousands of people are reading the Forward Movement booklets, probably few realize the extent and variety of work that is carried on by the Forward Movement Commission. This may be seen from the list of committees working with the Movement. More than seventy clergy and laymen are on these committees, whose subjects and chairmen are:

Conferences—Rt. Rev. Malcolm E. Peabody, coadjutor of Central New York, Utica; *Colleges*—Rev. Arthur Lee Kinsolving, D.D., Trinity Church, Boston; *Clergy Aid*—Rt. Rev. Karl M. Block, D.D., coad-

jutor of California, San Francisco; *Courses*—Rev. Charles W. Sheerin, D.D., second vice-president, National Council, New York City; *Evangelism*—Rt. Rev. Frank W. Sterrett, D.D., Bishop of Bethlehem, Bethlehem, Pa.; *Faith, Work and Unity*—Rev. Gilbert P. Symons, Litt.D., canon, St. Paul's Cathedral, and staff of Forward Movement Commission, Cincinnati.

Finance—John J. Rowe, treasurer, Forward Movement Commission, Cincinnati; *Guides* (a series of booklets)—Rev. Wm. M. V. Hoffman, S.S.J.E., Cambridge, Mass.; *Literature*—Rt. Rev. Edmund P. Dan-

dridge, D.D., coadjutor of Tennessee, Nashville; *Missionary Education*,—Rev. Arthur M. Sherman, S.T.D., staff of Forward Movement Commission, Cincinnati; *Program and Field Contacts*—Bishop Block.

Radio and Visual Education—Rt. Rev. Benjamin D. Dagwell, D.D., Bishop of Oregon, Portland; *Retreats*—Rt. Rev. Harwood Sturtevant, D.D., Bishop of Fond du Lac, Fond du Lac, Wis.; *Seminaries*—Rev. Alexander C. Zabriskie, S.T.D., Virginia Theological Seminary, Alexandria, Va.; *Youth*—Rt. Rev. Clinton S. Quin, Bishop of Texas, Houston.

HONOR BISHOP BRENT

Members of many communions joined recently in honoring the late Bishop Charles Henry Brent on the tenth anni-

(Below) A view of the Bois de Vaux Cemetery. Bishop Brent's grave is in the center of the picture.



versary of his death. The celebrations centered in Lausanne, Switzerland, where the great apostle of Church unity died and where he lies buried.

There special services were held at Christ Church, with representatives of various bodies in which he was especially interested in attendance.

Bishop Brent presided over the Conference on Faith and Order held in Lausanne. This conference, it is believed by many, marked a turning point in the efforts toward Church unity and Bishop Brent's personality had a profound effect on it.

A remarkable story of the revival of work among the colored people of Hanna, Wyo., is told by the Rt. Rev. Winfred H. Ziegler, Bishop of Wyoming. Three months ago, there stood in Hanna a little Baptist church which had not been used for years. Today across the front of the building is a sign which announces it to be St. John's Episcopal Church.

The Rev. Harry Kellam went to Hanna as rector of St. Mark's Church. He discovered thirty-eight colored people who at one time were attached to the Baptist

church but who had not had services for years. Within a few weeks, he baptized twenty-one of the thirty-eight and now he has presented eighteen of them to Bishop Ziegler for confirmation. Today St. John's Colored Mission, Hanna, is flourishing. The town is located in the coal mining district of south Wyoming.

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A modern resuscitator has been given the City of Ardmore, Okla., in the name of St. Philip's Church, the Rev. George H. Quaterman, rector.

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Miss Mildred Hewitt, former secretary in the Department of Religious Education of the National Council and a leader in educational work, passed away recently in Baltimore.

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Through a trust fund established by Miss Mariamne Murdock of Georgetown, D. C., in 1921, a young Japanese girl is permitted to go ahead with her education at St. Margaret's School in the Diocese of North Kwanto. Income from the fund pays the girl's tuition and a part of her dormitory expenses.



This is what a missionary doctor has to say about present-day conditions in Shanghai:

"Poverty, disease, and death are having their way with the Shanghai poor. I travel

War Spells Poverty, Disease

—SAYS PHYSICIAN IN CHINA

An attractive outlook, the view at the left may have been, had not the Sino-Japanese war come along. Instead, ruin dominates the scene. It shows a portion of a church building in China, wrecked by bombs.

daily along a country road for about half a mile. Each morning are to be seen several cheap coffins at the edge of the road, or bundles of newspapers and burlap, containing the dead bodies of young children and babies, carried out and left there during the night.

"The people are too poor to bury their dead. The charity burial association sends trucks around the city during the day to pick them up. The burial of the city's poor, the disposal of garbage, the disposal of night soil in a city of this size that has no adequate sewer system, are tremendous problems for the municipality. Heretofore, all waste was taken outside of the city; now all such things have to be taken care of within what we call the 'perimeter,' the line around Shanghai held by the Japanese soldiers and no longer under the control of the concessions, nor the responsible Chinese government of 'Greater Shanghai.' "Squatter huts of old brick, of bamboo

and plaster, of rusty corrugated iron, of half burned lumber, or of anything else, salvaged from the burned districts, spring up on any vacant space and are soon crowded with poor people.

"In a refugee camp near our house there are this week 7,897 refugees and some of them have lived there for fourteen months. They are housed in large sheds built of bamboo and roofed with matting. The Rotary Club last year supplied bamboo beds so the people need not sleep on the ground during the winter. There are two hundred in a shed, men, women, and children together, dependent upon charity for shelter, food and what clothing they wear, eight thousand people living on ten acres of land, and kept alive at a cost of about fifty cents American money a month, per person. This particular camp is one of the best in Shanghai and is one of fifty or sixty others, not quite so large but full of refugees."

X-Ray Given To St. Luke's Hospital, Manila

A complete new X-ray equipment has been presented to the Episcopal Church's St. Luke's Hospital, Manila, Philippine Islands, by Mr. Joseph P. Heilbron, of Manila, but who is president of a paper company with offices in New York City. Mrs. Heilbron is President of the Woman's Board of the Hospital.

This equipment, which enables St. Luke's to do all varieties of X-ray

and fluorographic work with greatly increased effectiveness and facility, is a General Electric X-Ray Corporation generator with remote filament selector, universal stabilizer to compensate for fluctuations in the supply line, Roentgen radiographic and fluorographic table, fluoroscopic unit, and shockproof diagnostic X-ray tubes.

The gift, which cost nearly \$9,000,

supplies a long-existing need in this missionary hospital, which cares for more than 40,000 dispensary patients a year, as well as 4,000 inpatients. It makes possible complete X-ray diagnosis, as well as the usual treatments for tumors and other growths, and photography of broken bones, lesions and other ailments whose treatment is facilitated by the use of X-ray pictures.

"Although the world must find and put into practice a more just, more humane, and more brotherly plan of social order, the finest and most perfect plan won't last a month unless men and women settle the matter first within their own lives and then make it work because they themselves are free and brave and good . . .

"But man of himself is unable to bring peace to the heart of man . . . There is a way. The living God, known in Jesus Christ, is that Way. He is the only Way."

The Forward Movement Guide from which the above is quoted is called *My Own Steps Forward*. It goes on to describe

the simplest possible steps which even a stranger to Christianity might follow to find the Way. This is one of a series of small practical booklets, five cents a copy, from the Forward Movement.

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St. Paul's Church, Oakland, Calif., (the Rev. A. Ronald Merrix, rector), took advantage of the Call to Action issued by the Presiding Bishop in connection with the Missionary Shortage Effort and turned it to good use. First, St. Paul's raised about \$500 for the Shortage Fund through announcements at church services and a "second" offering.

Then the Auxiliary Vestry selected the names of 100 men not attending church regularly and made arrangements to call on them. The Acolytes' Guild decided to make a survey of boys' interests and needs. The 20-Odd Club, consisting of young people between 20 and 30, is making a study of what a Christian world would be like and what it means to live as a Christian. The Woman's Auxiliary president has asked the rector to meet with the nine circles to follow through on the Call to Action. On top of all that, a larger Easter Offering and more contributions for local work!

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Refugee Educator To Graduate School Staff

Victim of a German concentration camp, the Rev. Dr. Walter Spiegel, German educator and theologian, has been called to the faculty of the Graduate School of Applied Religion, Cincinnati, according to announcement by William S. Keller, M.D., founder of the school. Dr. Spiegel was scheduled to arrive in Cincinnati in mid-May.

Dr. Keller has this to say of Dr.

Spiegel: "Forty-nine years of age, he has twenty years' experience in teaching as professor of theology, languages, German culture and history. He also is a concert violinist. He passed through the Buckenwald Concentration Camp with unspeakable experiences which almost took his life. He was permitted to escape to Switzerland with his wife.

"Dr. Spiegel and his wife have lost

everything—job, fortune, country, and almost their lives. They are coming to this country not only looking for an open door but most of all for open Christian hearts. They come with the highest recommendations, with many years of acquaintance with Dr. Andre Bouvier, president of the International Committee for Friendship through the Churches in Switzerland."

The Church of St. John the Baptist, with a Chinese priest in charge, stands in the one section of Hankow where the Japanese army has allowed some degree of normal life to resume. Services were about to start again in the church, and the vestry had decided to continue the effort toward self-support they had determined upon for this year.

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Chicago social workers have been honoring a great lady on her 80th birthday. Mrs. Joseph Tilton Bowen (Louise de Koven) has grown up with Hull House, the United Charities, the Juvenile Protective Association, and the Woman's City Club, says *The Survey Monthly*, printing a birthday interview with her. Her late husband was a president of The Church Club of Chicago.

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The State of Michigan has an Older Boy and Girl Conference which brings together 400 colored people of high school age. Doris Dungill, secretary of the young people's group at St. Cyprian's Church, Detroit, is the new president of the Conference. The Rev. Malcolm C. Dade, priest-in-charge of St. Cyprian's, was chairman of the planning committee this year.

Township officers of Long Rapids, Mich., provide a dinner on election day for all who come out to vote in the township elections. It works; in a recent election, every voter was accounted for; 300 dinners. And the dinner is provided by the women's guild of Grace Church, a guild with only nine active members.

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With Mrs. Frank W. Creighton of Detroit as vice-chairman for foreign missions, the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of Michigan is setting up a missions committee, each member undertaking to make herself a specialist in one field. Working together, they hope to spread throughout the diocese a really personal and active knowledge of the Church's missionary work.

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The Girls' Club of St. James' Church, La Jolla, Cal., has two program assignments from the Woman's Auxiliary each year, one for Christmas and one for the United Thank Offering. This year for the U.T.O., under Mrs. Don Wilkins' direction, they "dramatized" the recent National Council poster, "You Must Choose." The Rev. Donald Glazebrook is rector.

The Japanese Brotherhood of St. Andrew now has 59 chartered chapters, in nine of the ten dioceses of the Japanese Church. Also, 9 probationary groups are qualifying for a charter, and 20 new places have requested an officer's visit for organization. All this since 1927. One of the Brotherhood's most beloved young officers, Paul Seitaro Koizumi, has been killed in China. The Brotherhood has a staff of some 35 officers, nearly all Japanese, throughout the country, besides all the bishops, who are honorary vice-presidents. Mr. Paul Rusch, American layman on the staff of St. Paul's University, Tokyo, is executive vice-president.

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Children of eight nationalities are connected with St. Barnabas' Community Center, Sacramento. There is a fine Church school, an average of 200 children receive week-day instruction. Clothing and food are distributed to needy families, and the work is successful not only from the religious standpoint, but from that of Americanization.

(Below) Members of Young People's Service League of Grace Cathedral, Topeka, Kansas, who recently presented a sacred pageant. Mrs. Kenneth Ladd Browne directed and staging and lighting were by the young people. Photo by Wolfe, Topeka.



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Youth's Interest In Church Growing

A new interest and spirit among youth of the Church is evident, Miss Cynthia Clark, secretary for young people's work of the National Council, declared upon her return recently from a field trip to the west coast.

Miss Clark met with the House of Young Churchmen of the Diocese of California, which is placing special emphasis on strengthening local and regional youth groups. She visited

several parishes in San Francisco, St. Margaret's House, Berkeley, and the Pacific Divinity School. She met with young Church leaders in Los Angeles where she found an especial interest among young men in the ministry as a vocation.

At Pullman, Wash., Miss Clark was a member of the University Christian Mission team at Washington State College where she says, "Students and

faculty, skeptical at first, gradually responded to the vital presentation of the Christian message." At Salt Lake City, plans for a provincial organization of young people's work were discussed with Bishop Moulton, provincial president. Addressing 1,200 young people from all over Colorado who are attending the Colorado Christian Youth Council was another experience Miss Clark had.

Babies have a way of growing up, even foundlings and refugees, when they are under the care of Sister Constance at St. Lioba's Mission, Wuhu, China. It became necessary some time ago to provide larger quarters with creeping space for the forty or more she has had in that crowded mission. As some readers may remember, a Chinese woman, who had been wealthy and had lost everything except the wreck of a 20-room house, sold Sister Constance the wreckage for very little. Word now comes that a fully equipped nursery house has been completed.

From the same mission Mr. B. W. Lanphear writes: "All our work is booming. We have over 100 youngsters in the primary school and over 150 in the class for adults who cannot read or write. We have a huge Sunday school. The dispensary gave over 57,000 treatments in a year. We still have to take turns guarding the gate all day to make sure no unauthorized person is admitted."

Twenty-six people were recently confirmed here.

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Two Japanese recently went over to Shanghai to look about. They both had

lived abroad for several years and were intelligent Christians. Some of the missionaries asked if they would care to see a refugee camp, and when they arrived there the Japanese were completely astonished. They had supposed it was a camp for refugee Jews. "What are the Chinese doing in refugee camps?" they asked. "We understood our soldiers were taking care of them!"

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Zenshin, Japanese for "Going Forward," is the title of the Japanese version of *Forward—day by day*. In four years 18 issues have been distributed in Japanese, totaling 90,000 copies. These are paid for chiefly by gifts to the Forward Movement Commission designated for that purpose. The Japanese editor-in-chief is the Rev. Dr. P. O. Yamagata, for years one of the Japanese Church's best-known writers and translators. (He is also chairman of the National Council of the Japanese Church, teacher at St. Paul's University and the Central Theological College, Tokyo, and chaplain-general of the Japanese Brotherhood of St. Andrew.)

"JUNGE IN AFRICA"

Did you read in last month's *Spirit of Missions* van Nes Allen's story of that inexhaustible missionary doctor? In Mr. Allen's book, *I Found Africa*, have you read of Dr. Junge's leper colony on the Liberian Island of Massateen?

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THE SPIRIT OF MISSIONS

Correspondence Church Gets Results

There is a hard-hit Colorado mining town called Creede, almost on the Continental Divide, population 385. The little church there had been closed for three or four years until a short time ago when the congregation cleaned and restored and reopened it. There were seven communicants. Through the correspondence Church school of Mrs. E. T. Boyd, diocesan officer in charge of rural work, and the fine missionary activity of the visiting priest, the Rev. Newton L.

Carroll, a well prepared class of twenty-three has just been confirmed by Bishop Ingley.

The fourteen girls in the class wanted to wear confirmation veils. They sent to a mail order house for twenty yards of white netting and some white satin ribbon, and the women of the town spent a couple of weeks making the veils.

Mr. Carroll is missionary in charge of the whole San Luis Valley, an area as large as Connecticut.

A series of 150 concerts of sacred music and twilight-hour programs will be given by church choirs and choruses of various denominations at the Temple of Religion, New York World's Fair, this summer.

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Students of St. Francis' House, University of Wisconsin, are planning to bring a German refugee student to Madison. Transportation costs from Europe to Madison will be met by an agency bringing student refugees of high type to this country and the university will set aside a scholarship. Living quarters will be provided at St. Francis' House.

As its share in the Missionary Shortage Effort, All Souls' Church (Colored), New York, started out to raise \$75 to cover the prospective cut in a mission station in South Florida. Not only did All Souls' raise the \$75 but its first remittance was \$132. The Rev. Rollin Dodd is priest-in-charge. A tiny Colored congregation, Church of the Ascension, Kansas City, Kansas, gave \$35.

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Cows and Chickens. A tremendous sensation in the Church school at Aklavik, Northwest Territory, has been caused by the arrival of a cow. She is just the common cow but so uncommon in that region that the children had never seen

one. She was a present to the community doctor. The girls at the school all had their first taste of cow's milk, uncanned, and even the missionary had her first drink of it in two years. Second only to the cow as excitement was the arrival of four hens but these were disappointing since the children, hearing talk of "chickens," expected fluffy little yellow things, as in their picture books.

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Law for the Average Family, a series of discussions led by three local attorneys, has been a useful subject for the parish round table held for six weeks each year at St. John's Church, Royal Oak, Mich. The Rev. Charles C. Jatho, rector, chose the subject after he had heard of a number of his people being fleeced in recent years, through lack of a simple knowledge of contracts, mortgages, etc.

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With the versatility that characterizes so many missionaries, especially in isolated places, Miss Amelia Hill of Allakaket, Alaska, has added the job of chief engineer of the mission power plant to her already varied schedule. Some New Hampshire friends presented a small power plant which has been the greatest help through the dark days of the northern winter. It supplies light for church, school, and residence.

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The Diocesan Convention of Southern Ohio took cognizance of the Missionary Shortage Effort and voted to pledge \$15,000 to the \$300,000 fund.

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For some time past the National Council Book Store at 281 Fourth Avenue, New York, has been filling more than a hundred orders a day. In a recent month it reported having sold 7,312 books, 33,769 cards and leaflets, 754 maps and posters and 158 picture sheets.

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Add the basement of the public library to the unlikely places where young missions have held services in towns where there is no church building. The congregation at Imperial, Western Nebraska, few in number but enthusiastic, has only a monthly service, and the library board allows the use of the basement for it.

AMONG LATE BOOKS

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The Testimony of the Soul by Rufus Jones. New York, Macmillan, \$2. A defense of the spiritual life and denial of religion as an opiate and escape.

The Old Faiths Perish by Jay William Hudson. New York, D. Appleton-Century, \$2.

The Music of the French Psalter of 1562 by Waldo Selden Pratt. New York, Columbia University Press, \$3.25. An historical survey and analysis of this form of religious expression in the Church of Calvin, with music in modern notation.

The Church School Superintendent by Philip Cowell Jones. New York, Abingdon, \$1. An account of successful, practical religious education in a city Church school.

The Bible Comes Alive by Sir Charles Marston, F.S.A. New York, Revell, \$2. Deals with the latest archeological discoveries, particularly in the Bible City of Lachish, and their significance in Old Testament criticism made by scientific objectivists.

The Meaning of War by James W. Johnson. New York, Revell, \$75.

Living the Christian Faith by Edwin Aubrey. New York, Macmillan, \$1.50.

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God's Purpose: A Book of 366 Daily Sermonettes by 366 eminent clergymen. Philadelphia, Winston, \$60.

Richard Upjohn, Architect and Churchman by Everard M. Upjohn. New York, Columbia University, \$4. The first biography of this early 19th century architect,

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The Presiding Bishop has accepted the honorary presidency of the Episcopal Actors' Guild. Bishop Manning of New York and Mr. George Arliss are other honorary presidents. Otis Skinner is president. Headquarters of the Guild are at "The Little Church Around the Corner," New York.

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Quinine and aspirin in Shanghai, a new safe in Wuhu, a new cookstove in Hankow, are among the items bought from the Episcopal Church's China Emergency Fund. Clothing for many of the Chinese clergy and others of the Chinese staff whose homes were destroyed or looted, emergency travel, temporary repairs that work may continue in damaged buildings, are among other necessities provided by the Fund.

noted for his leadership in the Gothic Revival, and his remodeling of Trinity Church, New York City. The author is Richard Upjohn's grandson.

Throughout All Generations. A Whit-sundie Drama by Charlotte Hoyt Child. Hartford, Church Missions Publishing Co., \$25. A dramatic presentation of the Church's history, revealing the inheritance of all Christians.

Fighting for Life by S. Josephine Baker. New York, Macmillan, \$2.75. The first Director of New York City's Bureau of Child Hygiene tells the story of her career in public health with keen insight and penetrating humor.

Right Here at Home by Frank S. Mead. New York, Friendship Press, \$.60 paper, \$1 cloth. Stories of modern home mission projects, with emphasis on interracial fellowship in America.

John Wesley by Francis J. McConnell. New York, Abingdon, \$3. A careful biography interwoven with a thorough consideration of the social origins and consequences of the Methodist Movement.

The Shepherd of All: The Twenty-third Psalm, Interpretations by George M. Lamsa. Philadelphia, Holman. Interpretation in the light of actual importance of the shepherd to sheep-raising community.

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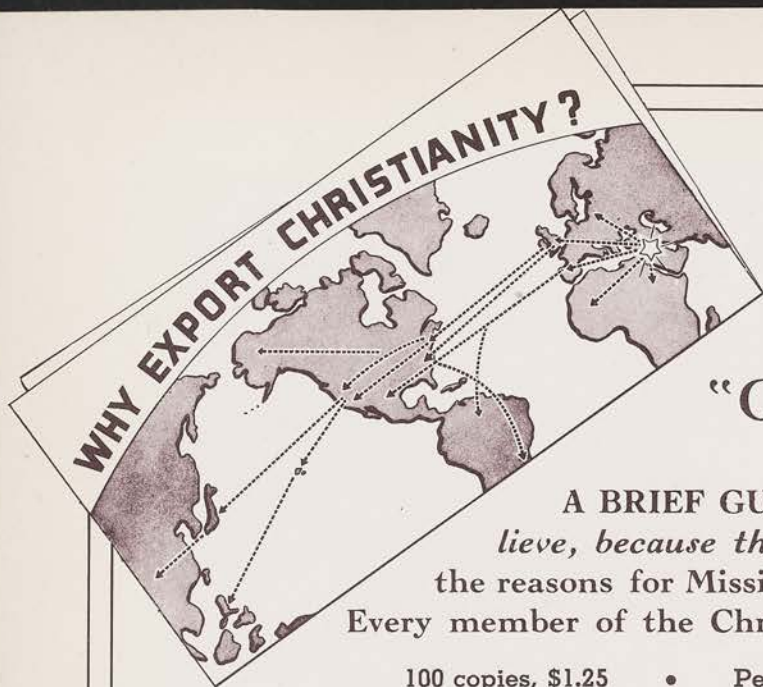
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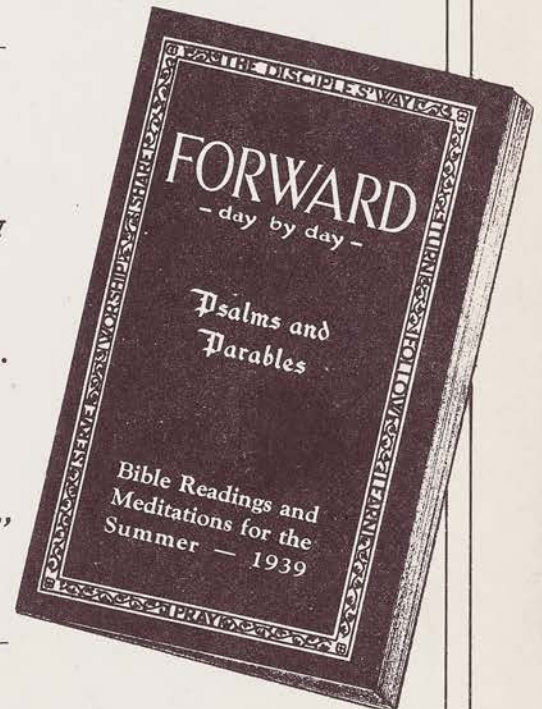
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