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*“A Sower  
went forth  
to Sow”*

*(Matthew 13:3)*

**A Parable for Our Time**

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## CALENDAR: JANUARY & FEBRUARY

### JANUARY

13th	8:00 p.m.	St. Anne's, Great Kills, S. I.	Bishop Donegan
16th	11:00 a.m.	St. John the Divine,	Bishop Donegan
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany	4:00 p.m.	Mt. Vernon St. Andrew's, Beacon	Bishop Donegan
17th	3:00 p.m.	Board of Managers of the Diocesan Missionary & Church Extension Society	
19th	8:00 p.m.	Institution of the Rector of St. Michael's,	Bishop Gilbert
23 <sup>rd</sup>	11:00 a.m.	St. Matthew & St. Timothy's,	Bishop Gilbert
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Epiphany	11:00 a.m.	Holy Trinity, Inwood	Bishop Donegan
	4:00 p.m.	Cathedral: Farewell Service for the Ecumenical Patriarch of the Greek Orthodox Communion	
25th	4:30 p.m.	Trustees of the Cathedral	
	8:00 p.m.	Benefit Performance of Opera for the Benefit of the Episcopal City Mission	
28th	8:00 p.m.	Annual Parish Dinner of the Church of the Good Shep- herd, Bronx	Bishop Gilbert
30th	4:00 p.m.	St. John's in the Wilderness, Stony Point	Bishop Gilbert
31st	3:00 p.m.	Church Mission for Deaf Mutes	Bishop Gilbert
	7:00 p.m.	Church Club Dinner	

### FEBRUARY

6th	11:00 a.m.	St. John's, Clifton	Bishop Gilbert
5th Sunday after Epiphany	11:00 a.m.	Preach, St. Bartholomew's,	Bishop Donegan
	4:00 p.m.	St. James'	Bishop Gilbert
13th Septuagesima	11:00 a.m.	Church of the Epiphany,	Bishop Gilbert
14th	6:30 p.m.	Commission on College Work	

## Bishop Sets Year's Goals . . . "Conserve All Mission Achieved" . . . "a Fund of \$150,000"

### *Dear Friends of the Clergy and Laity:*

I hope it is not too late to wish every reader of the BULLETIN a Happy New Year—a year of new faith and new hope and of deepened devotion to our Blessed Master in whom we may find courage and strength to carry on, whatever anxieties and uncertainties may lie ahead.

All of us who love our Church and want its influence to be felt in the re-ordering of our troubled world will rejoice in the great spiritual experience that our Diocesan Mission brought to us. Not only has it served to deepen and enrich the religious life of multitudes of our people; it has brought to us, we may believe, new energy and a new resolve to go forward with the sacred task that God has entrusted to us.

Careful plans are being made to conserve all that the Mission achieved for us and in us. The new interest and the new life that have been given us must now be put to work. God has shown what He can do for us. It is for us now to permit Him to show what He can do with us and through us.

Our supreme purpose, of course, should be to make our own lives an influence of greater avail in bringing others into the fellowship and service of the Church. And that must be done through our personal contacts with our fellows.

But there is another effective way in which we can give expression to our love and devotion—and commend the things of God and His Church to people about us.

On another page of this BULLETIN you will read of a campaign upon which we are about to enter to secure a fund of \$150,000. This is to be used to provide some of our missions with urgently needed facilities—new or improved church buildings—with which to carry on the good work they are doing. I hope it will have the generous support of all our people.

Here is a very appropriate "next step" in our Program of Evangelism—an opportunity to give tangible expression to the new vision and the new fervor that our Mission has brought to us. The goal set for this campaign will be easily reached if all of us will do our fair share and offer to God willing sacrifice as well as our service in the divine enterprise which He has committed to His Church.

*Charles Gilbert*

## Church's Deaf Work Consolidated Under Missionary Society

The Church's work with the deaf, pioneering religious service of its kind, is being consolidated under the Diocesan Missionary and Church Extension Society following agreements arrived at last month.

The work at St. Ann's Church for the Deaf which for many years has been undertaken by the Church of St. Matthew and St. Timothy, has become a Diocesan responsibility; and the Society is also assuming the religious work with the deaf which has been conducted for some years by the Church Mission to Deaf Mutes.

The original St. Ann's Church was an incorporated parish founded in 1852 by the Rev. Thomas Gallaudet. In 1897 it was consolidated with St. Matthew's, and St. Ann's Church for the Deaf was built on West 148th Street, Manhattan, so that it could be near the New York School for the Deaf. The school is now in Westchester County and the Church is isolated from most of its members. The Missionary Society expects to move the congregation to a more central location accessible from other parts of the metropolitan district.

Dr. Gallaudet's father brought with him from France the system of manual signs developed by a French priest in the 18th century and this system remains still the most satisfactory method which the deaf can use in church services. The Episcopal Church was the first church to ordain deaf ministers. Services have become so perfected there are now "choirs" which are able to interpret hymns and anthems into signs. Parishes for the deaf have a unique problem in that they are dealing with individuals rather than with families. The deaf have children who can hear and who attend audible services.

The Church Mission to Deaf Mutes organized in 1872 operates a home for aged and infirm deaf near Wappingers Falls in Dutchess County.

### Bishop Seeks New Home for Aged Deaf Who Must Move

*The Church Mission to Deaf Mutes which has been in existence for more than seventy-five years is urgently in need of a home to house and care for about forty persons, thirty-five of whom are elderly as well as deaf, now residents of the Gallaudet Home near Wappingers Falls.*

*The present site is in the center of a quarrying operation.*

*The Church Mission of which the Bishop is president, hopes that some benefactor will wish to provide a new home for these people, in the general vicinity of Poughkeepsie.*

### Province Youth Elect 3 to National Confab

The Rev. Charles H. Graf and Dorothy Nicholls of St. John's in the Village; Alma Schelle, St. Peter's, Westchester; Richard Corney, Christ Church, Poughkeepsie; and the Rev. J. Willard Yoder represented the Diocese at the annual meeting of the Provincial Youth Commission in Albany on December 10 and 11.

Miss Nicholls was one of the three provincial representatives elected to the National Youth Commission which is to meet in Tennessee in January to compile the 1949 edition of PLAN for Episcopal youth groups throughout the Church.

*TELEVISED candlelight service is "shot" from Grace, Man., over Dumont Station, WBVD, during Christmas season.*



# Good Seed, Poorly Sown: A Parable for Our Time

## Of Seven Little Seeds and Not Growing

"There went out a sower to sow. And it came to pass, as he sowed . . . some



*Bishop Gilbert*

fell on stony ground, where it had not much earth." And now this good seed, which in our Diocese fell sometimes in basements and poor facilities, is to be given new life through the "Cornerstone Campaign,"

a drive for \$150,000 for church construction throughout the Diocese, the Bishop announced on January 1st. The "Cornerstone Campaign" — to build the Church by building churches — aims to establish urgently needed facilities for seven communities. The drive is under the direction of a special committee of the Diocesan Missionary and Church Extension Society which includes Bishop Donegan, Archdeacon Bratt, and Theodor Oxholm, assistant treasurer of the Society. Bishop Gilbert is general chairman.

No similar project has ever been planned and carried to completion in the Diocese. Present plans call for a Diocese-wide appeal, asking contributions from every churchman. During January the churches are to acquaint themselves with the purpose of the campaign, to designate local sponsoring bodies, and to pray for the successful completion of the objective, leaving February for donors to make their gifts. Quinquagesima Sunday, February 27, has been selected by the Bishop as the day for an accounting by every parish and mission of the part its members will play in the drive to extend the Church.

The Rev. Alger L. Adams, managing editor of the BULLETIN, who is in charge of publicity, has prepared a descriptive folder for free distribution to

every church member and is furnishing regular releases to the press on the progress of the campaign. Individual members of the mission advisory boards of the churches to benefit are prepared to present the story of their needs to church groups upon invitation.

In the past, large donations or bequests from a few people of great wealth built many of our churches. And many others were built by the congregations of one generation mortgaging future congregations into heavy debt. Under the "Cornerstone Campaign" every member of the church in the Diocese has a part and no debt will remain to burden and harass future development.

In December, 1949, the Missionary Society will liquidate the last remaining mortgages on its more than fifty church properties. "It is considered fitting that this same year will see the erection of these contemplated new structures which will be unencumbered and debt-free," said the Bishop.

### Opportunities for Growth Challenge Us

At St. Simon's, New Rochelle; St. Martha's, North White Plains and at the Church of St. Francis of Assisi, Elmsford, the spiritual awakening of a congregation was born in a basement. And as frequently happens, it stayed there.

#### *In the Basement*

In 1923, St. Simon's planned a new edifice. New Rochelle was teeming with people moving out of the congested areas of New York, particularly Harlem. St. Simon's sprang to life with 88 members, moved into a basement which was to be the beginning of a church. Then New Rochelle grew from 36,213 in 1920 to 54,000 in 1930, and to 58,408 in 1940. And the Negro

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population grew from 2,637 in 1920 to 4,644 in 1930 and to 6,228 in 1940. But St. Simon's, after an initial growth to 118 by 1930, stood still.

The seed did not grow in the basement.

Now New Rochelle is enjoying a new burst of growth. St. Simon's, although still in the basement, has approximately 200 members, but their 20-voice choir must vest in a 8 x 5 foot room and any parish activities must take place either in the pews or outside in rented quarters. However, other religious groups which offer more satisfactory facilities are growing by leaps and bounds.

In recognition of the need, the Rev. Philip M. Styles, rector of Trinity, had previously gathered together a group of experts and made a careful survey of the city. It showed that a suitable church building properly located could grow within a few years to parish status. For the first time a vicar, whose sole responsibility was to be this work, was appointed in 1946, and the "Cor-

*Altar and reredos of the Chapel of the Prince of Peace dedicated by Bishop Gilbert last month, at St. James', Fordham.*



nerstone Campaign" will provide a church to seat 300, with a basement for parish activities, together with a rectory, constructed generally of the same type of materials as the church.

### A "Forgotten" Seed

Farther to the north, in an entirely different community on Edgepark Road, near the Bronx River Parkway, in North White Plains, a tiny white cross can barely be seen from the Parkway when the foliage is gone. Here in 1935, a small group of devout Episcopalians planned a church building for the Parkway Homes section.

They purchased a lot and built what was to be the crypt of the new St. Martha's. But by 1948 St. Martha's listed only 170 baptized members and a church school of 60, although the mortgage had been paid off and the mission was contributing \$780 per year towards the stipend of its vicar, the Rev. H. H. Guthrie, Jr., who was appointed full time in 1947.

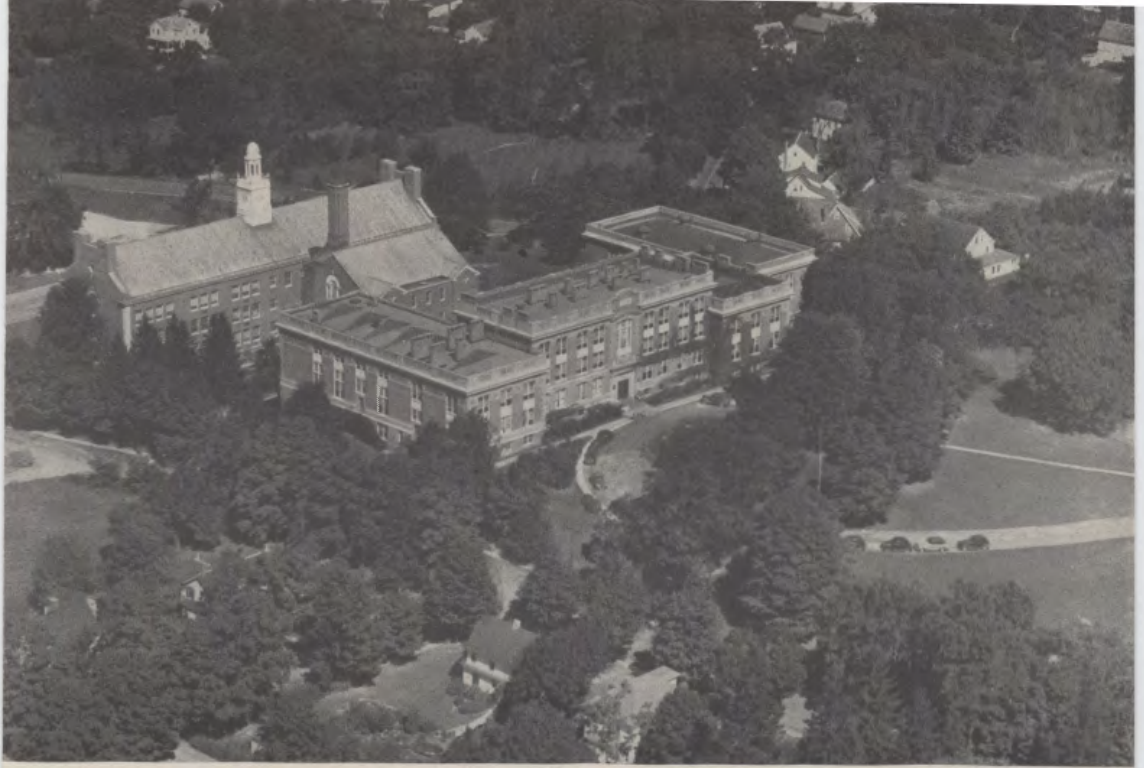
The "Cornerstone Campaign" will complete the construction of St. Martha's. As a first response to this opportunity, the congregation has pledged to raise \$500 towards the new building and plans to pay for all furnishings and equipment.

The steeple of the new church will be the most conspicuous landmark in the community, and the spiritual strength of that congregation can flourish without working underground.

### Church Without a Building

About three and one-half miles to the west of St. Martha's, in the town of Elmsford, in the basement of the police station, about thirty chairs fill a tiny room which is also the anteroom to the ladies' washroom of the building. But at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings, there is a rush to fill seats. The altar (made of two-by-fours and planks, by one of the men) is properly fitted with brass and vestments, and voices singing, joyfully, praise God. This is the congregation of St. Francis of Assisi. It began with four persons saying prayers together in the Carver Community Center in White Plains on June 26, 1945.

It was noted that in the whole



*State Teachers Training College, New Paltz, an expanding field.*

stretch from White Plains to Elmsford, there was only one large church. With vision, these persons decided to build a church for the unchurched of that area.

They rented a small store in Elmsford that fall and continued to hold regular services, but in September 1946 the store was sold for commercial use and the sturdy band found sanctuary in their present humble quarters.

But their hope of building a church burned undimmed. They grew to 37, more members than seats. During 1947 they raised \$250.00 and during 1948 they deposited \$1,000 with the Diocese in their building fund. At the present time there is about \$500 in the treasury and they are planning to complete by themselves the furnishing of the new building by which the "Cornerstone Campaign" will lift them up from underground.

A small church to seat about 150, strategically located, will enable this determined group of consecrated Christians to serve the unchurched of their area.

## **A College's Challenge**

At New Paltz, the State Teachers Training College is planning wide expansion. Present enrollment has increased to about 600 and within the next two years may exceed 1,500. The State has already acquired 40 acres of land to add to the school's present 10 acres. A new Physical Education building, dormitories and a library have been projected. Plans call for an expenditure of over \$2,000,000. It has been estimated that 10% of the student body are church members.

St. Andrew's, our church, just off the campus, has no facilities for group or young people's activities. There are no lavatories and only a make-shift tiny kitchen. There is no study for consultation with the vicar and no place for meetings or parties.

To provide some of the facilities necessary to minister to college young people, a fifteen-foot extension is being added to the back of the church. This will provide, on the church level floor a small room for a side chapel for week-

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## Daring Departure in Church \$150,000 to Cover Urgent D

### "Pre-Engineered Buildings" Cut Down Specialized Costs

A daring departure in church construction by the Diocesan Missionary and Church Extension Society will gain triple benefit for the Diocese from the "Cornerstone Campaign" for \$150,000 now being launched. "Pre-engineered churches" are the answer.

Upon investigation, the Society found that to erect the conventional type of church would result in triple the cost of construction of the same buildings before the war. Therefore, in order to meet as many of the pressing needs as possible, it was decided that the buildings constructed should not attempt to accommodate all the envisioned needs of the individual mission for all time, but should in each instance represent no

more than a "next step" in a long-term program.

In the conventional type church edifice, special materials and construction, ornamentation and fabric are expensive and call for highly specialized and skilled labor. The Society limited their buildings to the following specifications:

The buildings should be only large enough to accommodate the number of regular church goers who could be expected to use the church regularly during the next five years. Materials must be durable, non-combustible and of a design that are mass-produced by many manufacturing concerns at resultingly low prices. Materials also must be of a type that will eliminate the need for highly skilled labor, making possible the use of local labor, some of which would be available from the members of the

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General style of "pre-engineered" church

## Building: - - Diocesan Projects

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day services; and another 12 by 15-foot room for a sacristy and study for the rector, for consultation with students. Under the old church, the kitchen and general recreation and dining room will be remodeled, and another large room and two lavatories will be built in the new wing.

This construction will enable St. Andrew's to expand its ministry with the expanding college program.

### New Life Is Born

A twin St. Andrew's, this time in Montgomery, Orange County, is enjoying a burst of re-vitalization. A Church School has sprung alive for the first time, and now numbers three teachers

and thirty pupils. A choir has been organized, and sixteen women, calling themselves the "Chapel Guild" have banded together to forward the work of the Church.

But the Guild has to borrow quarters to meet in, and the choir has to vest in the church's lavatory. The Church School meets in the pews.

The "Cornerstone Campaign" will provide a small wing connecting with the church, about 30 by 15 feet; and the new spirit will be encouraged.

### Ready for Next Step

In 1937, a far-sighted Diocesan Missionary and Church Extension Society purchased two lots at 222nd Street near White Plains Road, Bronx, and constructed a small one-story brick building at a cost of about \$7,000 to test the choice of a location where persons from the Harlem area were buying homes.

The test has proved its worth. St. Lukes, Williamsbridge, which began in 1940 with 30 baptized members has increased to nearly 250, and communicants from 50 to 180. The church school grew from about 60 in 1940 to over 125 today. Income for self-support has increased from \$600 to \$2,400.

But continued progress depends upon a new church building. The present structure seats less than 150. There is no basement. The choir vests in the ladies' room, a room about 5 by 8 feet. The vicar has no study. The church school meets in the pews of the church

*St. Martha's, North White Plains,  
a traditional approach*



## Prominent Educators Answer Bishop's Call For Student Program

The diocesan Commission on College Work authorized by 1948 Convention at the request of the Bishop has now been formally organized. The Commission will address itself to the religious needs of the 176,000-odd students attending universities and institutions of higher learning in and about the metropolitan area and other parts of the Diocese.



Provost Jacobs

Professor Albert C. Jacobs, the Provost of Columbia University, was elected chairman of the Commission and Miss Ethel G. Stringfellow, headmistress of the Chapin School, was elected secretary.

The Rev. Arthur L. Kinsolving, D.D., rector of St. James', N. Y. C.; Dean Thomas Clark Pollock, dean of the Washington Square College of Arts and Sciences of New York University; and Professor Virginia D. Harrington, junior class advisor, Barnard College, were appointed a Committee on Policy and Program.

### "Pre-Engineered Buildings"

#### Cut Down Specialized Costs

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mission congregations themselves. The structures must be neat and trim so as to be an asset to the communities in which they are built, and of such design that with the evolution of the missions they may be converted to churchly uses other than as churches, such as parish halls, church schools, etc.

house purposes. The new church must be so designed as to make future additions or alterations to accommodate an expanding work possible at a minimum of expense.

With these standards in mind the Society has decided to build what are known as "Pre-engineered Structures." They will have clear-span, rigid frame construction, using structural steel, pre-

engineered arches and steel purlins. Walls will be of cinder block, surfaced with stucco. Roofing will be of "Transite" corrugated asbestos, fire-proof, insulating, durable, free from maintenance and economically applied. Floors are to be of concrete, windows steel casement, and doors metal covered. Where a basement is included it will have a 12-foot ceiling and a 6-foot excavation so that large windows above ground will furnish adequate light and air. Floors above basements will be concrete on steel joists using steel lath by means of which both form and reinforcement for the concrete slab are laid in one operation.

The Missionary Society plans to provide in each case only the bare building. Landscaping, furnishing and finishing the interior will be left to the congregations.

The low cost of structures meeting these specifications will provide three buildings for the price of one. In the meantime, there will be no mortgage indebtedness and practically no maintenance costs.

DECORATION NIGHT at St. George's, N. Y. C. saw the Reverend Edward O. Miller, rector (left), helping decorate the pulpit for Christmas services. Over 1,400 attended the December 22 ceremony which started 50 years ago. This was the first time the body of the church was used since the \$185,000 renovation program began seven months ago. Formal dedication is planned for St. George's Day, April 23, 1949.



# Rev. Bryan Green Is to Lead Fall Youth Mission

## Bishop Names Diocesan Evangelism Committee

The Rev. Bryan Green, who made spiritual history in the recent Diocesan Mission, will return to the Diocese next November to conduct a Diocesan Youth Mission, the Bishop announced early this month.



*Rev. Bryan Green*

The Youth Mission will last one week, beginning on a Sunday evening with several meetings for young people each week night, concluding with a service of Thanksgiving. Attendance will be strictly limited to persons 30 years of age and under although there will be opportunities for others to hear the Missioner during his visit.

The Bishop made the announcement in appointing a Diocesan Committee on Evangelism, with Bishop Donegan as chairman, to conserve the spiritual gains of the Mission and to carry forward the "next steps" in response to the demonstration by the Mission of the spiritual hunger throughout the Diocese.

In addition to sponsoring and developing the Youth Mission, the Evangelism Committee will have three other objectives:

1—A school for clergy missioners is planned to develop a panel of missioners for the several parishes which are planning missions next Spring. In addition, other parishes will be encouraged to organize missions. Along with the clergy school, classes for lay evangelists are envisioned.

2—A series of clergy conferences for the various parts of the Diocese, under the leadership of the Bishops, have been projected. A Diocesan-wide clergy conference prior to Lent will culminate this plan.

3—A series of popular Sunday evening services during Lent, similar to those held during the Mission, are being considered.

Other members of the Committee are: Archdeacon Bratt; the Rev. Frank C. Leeming, headmaster of St. Peter's School, Peekskill; and the following rectors of New York City, the Rev. Samuel M. Shoemaker, D.D., Calvary; the Rev. Grieg Taber, D.D., St. Mary the Virgin; the Rev. Shelton H. Bishop, St. Philip's; the Rev. John Mulligan, All Angels; and the Rev. Lynde E. May, III, St. Andrew's, Yonkers.

## Mission Left Indelible Imprint on the Diocese

The Diocesan Mission struck deep into the hearts of the people of the Diocese, is the general report from the Diocese, in response to a survey made by the BULLETIN last month.

"The influence of the mission seems to be continuing in the lives of all the individuals that it touched," said the Rev. Samuel M. Shoemaker, D.D., rector, Calvary, N. Y. C. The Rev. Leland B. Henry, executive director on Christian Social Relations said, the missioner "has done for us, through the Grace of God, much that desperately needed to be done. The influence of the past weeks will go on down the years in changed lives.

"A deep spiritual resurgence must come to all our people because the Reverend Bryan Green has walked and talked among us," said Mrs. James S. McCulloh, president Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary.

The Rev. Hugh McCandless, Epiphany, N. Y. C. and the Rev. F. Gray Garten, St. Stephen's, Woodlawn, reported that they had called meetings of those who had attended the mission.

## Wiltwyck and Girl's School May Close in Child Welfare Crisis

The Bishop has been named honorary chairman of the recently organized Church Committee to Aid Wiltwyck and the Training School and Home for Girls, it was announced last month by the Protestant Council.

In commenting on the new committee the Diocesan Commission on Christian Social Relations pointed out that welfare laws place primary responsibility for the care of dependent, neglected and delinquent children upon three groups legally defined as Jewish, Protestant and Roman Catholic.

It was noted that a monthly average of 435 children classified as Protestant are housed in quarters that were meant to be temporary, but that many children have spent their second Christmas in these inadequate facilities.

Both institutions may be forced to suspend operations because of the inability of their respective boards to meet rising costs. Wiltwyck was once a Diocesan responsibility and the Training School is the only private institution which receives "Protestant" girls on commitment from Children's Court in lieu of being sent to the State institution for delinquent girls at Bedford.

The other officers of the Committee are: James L. Harrison, Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church, chairman; Mrs. Thomas C. Pollock, Church of the Ascension, treasurer; the Rev. Robert W. Searle, D.D., Commission on Human Relations of the Protestant Council, secretary.

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as do all organizations. Parish activities are held in rented space.



Dr. Searle

On an adjoining lot, purchased two year ago, the "Cornerstone Campaign" will build a new church seating 300 persons, with a basement for parish activities. The old St. Luke's building will also serve as a parish house. The people of the mission have planned to raise the requisite funds for the basement and the furnishings themselves and expect also to contribute some labor of the skilled artisans in the congregation. This community is growing, the church must grow with it.

### The Harvest Is Ready

St. Mark's, Nepera Park, Yonkers has moved rapidly ahead with its expanding suburban community. The present church building was erected in 1939. In 1949 the mortgage of \$10,000 will have been paid off. There are now 432 baptized members, and a church school of 123. The small basement, divided into class rooms takes care of only half of the Sunday School, and the virile organizations, which contribute largely to the support of the work during the week, cannot find time and space in their present cramped quarters for meeting.

100 additional new homes are in the process of construction easily within a stone's throw.

Inasmuch as a rectory was secured in 1945, the erection of the new parish house by the "Cornerstone Campaign" will guarantee that the church can move quickly toward self-support and parish status. It will be a one-story building, 100 by 50 feet, completely fireproof throughout and embodying all of the specifications as outlined elsewhere in this BULLETIN.

### Looking to New Sowings

The "Cornerstone Campaign" will provide one-third of the cost of a new site in the northeast Bronx. Construction on this site will await further study of population movement.

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So the church goes forward . . . and does "yield fruit that sprang up and increased; and brought forth some thirty, and some sixty, and some an hundred."



## Auxiliary Pledge to Missions, \$42,000

At the December meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council in the Diocese, the 191 branches pledged \$42,000 to the work of the National Church. This represents an increase of \$2,000 over 1948's gift.

According to Mrs. Charles M. Baxter, Jr., treasurer, the greater part of this amount is expected to be undesignated, for general missionary work. She stated, however, that some branches prefer to designate their gifts for specific National Council work or projects.

The Diocesan work at Ellis Island is covered by the Christian Social Service Pledge which in 1949 will be \$3,000. The work of Alice G. Palmer, the representative there, was described by Mrs. Baxter as "an overseas mission in a domestic setting." In addition, the Diocesan branches included in Province II each pledged \$225 towards the salary of their college worker, Katharine Duffield.

It was noted that 20% of the money given by the Diocese to the National Council in 1947 was contributed by the New York City branches.

"LIVE" CRECHE tells Christmas story to East 16th Street in Manhattan at St. George's. The sheep live in the stable attached to the creche while the donkey and live bull were loaned for the "opening" services.

### St. Luke's Hospital Names Head

Dr. Lloyd H. Gaston became Director of St. Luke's Hospital as of January 1st it was announced by Lincoln Cromwell, President of the Board of Directors of the hospital.

Dr. Gaston came to St. Luke's in 1945 as assistant director and had been acting director since the retirement of Dr. Claude W. Munger because of ill health last July.

### St. Barnabas House Benefit Will Hear LA BOHEME at Metropolitan

Mrs. Frank Lyon Polk is serving as chairman of the second annual opera benefit for St. Barnabas House which will be held Tuesday evening, January 25, at the Metropolitan Opera House. Tickets are on sale at Miss Fanshawe's, 136 East 64th Street, New York 21 (RE 4-2353). Parish rectors have a price scale on hand.

*La Boheme*, featuring Richard Tucker and Bidu Sayao, has been chosen for this year's presentation.

## Clergy Notes

*The Rev. Melville Knox Bailey, S.T.D.*, died at his home in Old Saybrook, Conn., December 13. He was 92 years old.

Dr. Bailey served in the Diocese from 1895 to 1920, first as an assistant at Grace Church, N. Y. C. and from 1913 to 1920 as vicar of the Church of the Holy Spirit, Bronx, a church which has since been discontinued. In 1920 he retired from the active ministry to become editor of the Church Missions Publishing Company, Hartford, Conn.

He was a former president of the Churchmen's Association of New York and of the Clericus of New York.

*The Rev. Louis T. Scofield*, rector of St. Thomas', New Windsor, since 1932 has retired from the active ministry. Following his action, by agreement between the two vestries, St. Thomas' is now under St. George's, Newburgh.

*The Rev. Claude F. Stent*, has been called as rector of Trinity Church, Garnerville, and will be in residence as of January 1st. The Rev. Mr. Stent had been rector of St. Margaret's, Bronx, from 1935 to 1947.

*The Rev. Constant W. Southworth*, who has served since 1946 as assistant minister at St. John's, Larchmont, has accepted a call to be rector of All Saints, Briarcliff.

*The Rev. Reginald Moore*, who was advanced to the priesthood November 27th, has accepted a call to be rector of St. Paul's, Ossining. He had been serving as curate at the Chapel of the Incarnation, N. Y. C. and was accepted into the Diocese as a transfer from the Diocese of Ottawa.

*The Rev. Hurlbut A. Griswold*, since 1946 rector of St. Mary's, Cold Spring, will serve at the New York Military Academy, Cornwall after January 15.

*The Rev. Ernest M. Hoyt*, assistant at St. James, Fordham, since 1946, is going to St. Mary's, Dyersburg, Tenn.

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Now is the time for all good churchmen to renew their subscriptions to the BULLETIN—if you subscribed January or February.

The secretary requests that all renewals be plainly marked.

The suggestion to give the BULLETIN for a Christmas present received a satisfying response, and the Editorial Board urges all churches to work to the end that the BULLETIN may be a truly family paper which goes into each Diocesan home.

Happy New Year.

### Dedicate Chapel of the Advocate At Farm Colony, Staten Island

A room was set aside by the City and dedicated as the Chapel of the Advocate, December 16, at the Farm Colony, Staten Island.

The chapel, which will serve as a place of worship for all Protestants, was decorated by the Farm Colony. The vestments and furnishings were supplied by the New York Protestant Episcopal City Mission Society who supply a chaplain for the Institution and the New York Altar Guild.

Among those present were Mrs. William C. Dickey and Mrs. Austin K. Neftel of the New York Altar Guild and Dr. Herman E. Bauer, the medical superintendent of the Farm.

### Board of Religious Education Has New Filmstrips and Books

Two new films stripes are now available to parishes, it was announced last month by the Board of Religious Education. *The Christian Family* and *The Use of Film Strips in Church Teaching*, may be rented for fifty cents each.

Three new books have been added to the Board library. They are *The Gospel in the Rural Community*, by R. F. Palmer, *Enlisting and Developing Church Leaders*, by Paul W. Milhouse, and *The Christian Home Today*.



Interior of St. Andrew's, Beacon,  
consecrated last month

### An Untold Story Is Behind St. Andrew's Consecration

Behind the story of the consecration of St. Andrew's, Beacon, by Bishop Gilbert last month, lies an untold story of the great sacrifice of an anonymous giver whose love of the church completed a dream conceived May 25, 1900 when the cornerstone was laid.

In 1900, the Right Reverend Henry C. Potter, Bishop of New York, said, "I lay this cornerstone of a house to be here builded for a house of God, and hereafter consecrated as St. Andrew's Church." Approximately eight months later, the congregation moved into the building on the feast of the Epiphany. The building was described at that time by the *Fishkill Standard* as "approximately Gothic in style. The color scheme is unusually good, and is much enhanced by the artistic windows of Favrilite glass." The construction represented an outlay of \$27,000.

From the date of occupancy to 1929 a succession of Godly priests ministered to the congregation and in 1929 the Reverend Eugene F. Bigler became vicar and served for eighteen years until his retirement in 1947.

The vestry is: Ralph Jones and Charles Adler, wardens; Ludwig Adams, Willard Lusk, Warren Jones, Irving Gifford, Benjamin Mosher, Jr. and Earl Livingston. The Reverend Robert L. Creech is now vicar.

## "Great Scenes" Shows Results Outside N. Y.

The National Council reported last week that nationwide, the network radio program, *Great Scenes from Great Plays* is securing tangible results where parishes have organized a follow-up plan.

They cited particularly, St. George's, Chicago, where new people who inquire about the Church or attend services for the first time as a result of the program are visited by a "Calling Corps" who are reported to be kept quite busy.

In discussing local reaction a National Council official said that although the program now stands tenth in listeners of all Mutual network programs after only nine weeks, the most immediate response is to be expected from rural and non-Eastern sections.

### Seeks Offerings for Seminaries

#### On Theological Education Sunday

The Presiding Bishop has appointed Sunday, January 23, as Theological Education Sunday.

"Our theological seminaries where our clergy are trained before being ordained are a vitally important part of the Church's work," said the Rev. Thomas A. Sparks, canon pastor of the Cathedral. Canon Sparks is a trustee of the Seminary and a member of the Theological Education Committee of the Seminary.

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## BRIEFLY SPEAKING

A MERRY CHRISTMAS and a Happy New Year to *Everybody* . . . and especially to those faithful ones who see that we hear the chit-chat of the Diocese . . . and we didn't know what a large and good-looking working family did the chores about the Diocesan offices and the cathedral until the *Bishop* had us all in for "tea" at which *Anne Weber* poured coffee, and *Loretta Kat*, tea . . . *Anne* being up to using her fingers for sugar when the tongs disappeared.

At ST. GEORGE'S, Man., Christmas party, a hitch in entertainment plans produced an impromptu show of rector *Edward O. Miller* and *David Burt* doing an accordion duet, *William Richmond*, *James Doubleday*, *John Holt* and *Gordon Becker* harmonizing as a Barber Shop Quartette, and *Peter Seay* and *Polly Ferguson* making with the legerdermaine and patter.

*Kenneth Pearce* brightened Christmas at CHRIST CHURCH, Poughkeepsie, by re-gilding the parish dove and sticking a fresh sprig in its mouth . . . Church School Donation Day at ST. JOHN'S, Getty Square, Yonkers, netted 152 cans of fruits and vegetables plus \$14 for the Mary Randol Memorial Home . . . and not too late to nod to *Polly Spencer*, and *Molly Frese*, Riverdale Country School who won D.D.D. degrees . . . "Devotion to Disagreeable Duty," for washing dishes at CHRIST CHURCH, Riverdale bazaar . . . also the *Rev. Arnold A. Fenton*, ST. THOMAS'S, Mamaroneck, passes out pats on the back to *Mrs. Paul Naef* and *Mrs. Robert Mitchell*, who sparked ST. THOMAS'S Fair, and to *Frank Rollins* and *Ralph Spuebler*.

PEOPLE WE LIKE: *The ladies* of ST. JAMES, Man., who REALLY plug the BULLETIN . . . the nine vestrymen who subscribed to our sheet in a body at ST. MARK'S, Mt. Kisco where *Edgar Hilliar*, formerly of St. Mary the Virgin, Man., is now organist . . . *Mrs. Lester Deming* who sells dolls to aid St.

ANDREW'S, Yonkers . . . and all directors of Church School Pageants, including *Sylvia Clark*, ST. PETER'S, Peekskill.

*Elisabeth F. Arnold* invites folk to dance in Staten Island to aid Woman's Auxiliary work in China, February 26 . . . *William Moll* moderated a talk-fest brawl (discussion forum) among *Fowler Hamilton*, *John Huston*, *William Leigh*, and the *Rev. William H. Hanckel*, associate rector, at meeting of Men of ST. JAMES THE LESS, Scarsdale, December 9.

ST. ANDREW'S, Poughkeepsie, mourns the death of "Grandma" *Croschier*, who died at the age of 90 in November.

REDEEMER, Yonkers, windows are lighted now, thanks to *Raymond E. Montagriff* and the Woman's Guild who footed the bill . . . The *Rev. Donald MacDonald-Millar* was joined by *Archdeacon Bratt* and Dean of the Bronx, *Rev. Gray Garten*, at celebration of the 25th anniversary of ST. ANDREW'S, Clason Point . . . *Mrs. Henry Goddard Leach* chaired a discussion on released time education at GRACE, N. Y., Jan. 6.

Dean of Westchester, *Rev. Lynde E. May, III*, rector, ST. ANDREW'S, Yonkers, slightly under the weather because of racing to-and-fro too fast says his medico . . . *Mary F. Champe*, *Katherine Wallace*, *Eibel Patterson*, *May S. West*, *Agnes I. Howard*, and *Margery Burden* keep EPIPHANY, Man., women busy . . . *Grace Bouret* listens to troubles and consults at HEAVENLY REST, Man.

At ST. BARNABAS, Ardsley, *Richard Wood*, *Andrew Guthrie*, *William Bell*, *Richard Hay*, *Walter Edelman*, and *Deri Meier*, serve Vicar Newhouse at 9:30 a.m. Celebrations . . . and *Ron Smith*, *Joe O'Brien*, *Rutsy Wing*, *Hank Poler*, *Richard Sikes*, *Larry Van Winkle* and *Peter Davidson* are now full choristers at CHRIST CHURCH, Bronxville . . . *Earle Houghtaling* entertained ST. ANDREW'S, Walden, with kodachrome slides of historic English scenes. ST. PETER'S, Port Chester grieving over the loss of bass soloist *Frank B. Broseman*, who moved to Pittsburgh.

From ST. MARY'S, S. I., "Each time I pass a Church, I stop to make a visit . . . So that when I'm carried in . . . the Lord won't say, 'Who is it?'"