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Clergy Notes

The Rev. Egerton E. Hall, D.D., Ed.D., has resigned as rector of Crucifixion, Man. and from the active ministry as of May 15 for reasons of health. Dr. Hall has served as rector of Crucifixion since 1936.

The Rev. Henry S. Sizer, Jr., former rector of St. James' American Church, Florence, Italy, has been called to become rector of St. Andrew's, Yonkers as of June 1.

Formerly, he had been rector of Ascension, Bradford, Penn., 1930-43; and rector of St. Andrew's, Meriden, Conn., 1943-49.

He is married and has two children.

Diocesan Dates

June 6 5:00 p.m.	The Bishop Philadelphia Preaches the Bac-Divinity calaureate School
June 10 11:00 a.m.	Ordinations Cathedral
June 17	60th Anniversary Good Shep- herd, New- burgh
June 24	The Bishop Opens St. Peter's Diocesan Summer School, Peek- Youth Conference skill
June 25	"The Bishop's St. Peter's Day at Diocesan School, Peek- Summer Youth skill Conference

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The Rev. Theodore Sedgwick, D.D.

The Rev. Theodore Sedgwick, D.D., rector emeritus of Calvary, Man., where he served from 1911 to 1924, died May 22 at his home.

Eighty-seven-years-old, he had retired from the active ministry to which he had been ordained in June 1890.



The delegates applaud the Bishop at the close of his address.

Convention Sets Course Of Diocese for Coming Year

THE One Hundred Sixty-Ninth Convention, meeting May 8 at the Synod House on the Cathedral Close, was dominated by the first message to Convention of the new Diocesan. That message, made early in the proceedings at the morning session immediately after the disposal of routine business, is reprinted in full, at the direction of Convention, in this issue of the BULLETIN, beginning on page 5.

In his address, the Bishop called for the executive re-organization of the Diocese; the election of a second Suffragan Bishop, for reason of volume of work; and a realistic facing of the financial problems of the Diocesan missionary program.

Authorize Election of Suffragan

Immediately following the Bishop's address, the Rev. Roelif H. Brooks, D.D., rector of St. Thomas, Man., proposed a resolution giving consent to the Bishop's request for the election of a Suffragan Bishop, at the Annual Diocesan Convention in May, 1952; or at a subsequent time, "provided the necessary consents of the Bishops and Standing Committees shall then have been obtained." The resolution passed without discussion.

"Reorganization" to be Studied

Likewise, the Hon. Edward R. Finch responded to the Bishop's call for an Executive Council. His resolution stated, in part: "Whereas many Dioceses of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America have adopted the form

of government known as "The Bishop and Executive Council", and have found the said system to be satisfactory; and

"Whereas the Bishop of this Diocese has indicated that he would welcome an investigation of the system and its operation in other Dioceses;

"Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the Bishop be requested to appoint a special committee to make an investigation . . . and report its findings and recommendations to the Bishop at least sixty days prior to the Annual Diocesan Convention to be held in the year 1952."

This resolution was unanimously carried without discussion.

The major issue of Convention centered on the future of the Diocesan missionary work, as effected by the report of the Committee on Diocesan Finances, made under the headings: I—*The 1950 Diocesan Assessment and the 1951 Assessment Budget*. II—*The 1950 Missionary Budget and Final Adjustment*. III—*The 1951 Missionary Budget*. IV—*Missionary Budget for 1952*.

The assessment budget was approved after a brief discussion. The adjustment of the 1950 missionary budget and the projected adjustment of the 1951 missionary budget, which only included \$213,000 to the various Diocesan agencies who had asked \$324,000, were approved.

Future of Missionary Work

A lively discussion developed over the Finance Committee's recommendations for the 1952 missionary budget.

The issue crystalized around the system of allocating missionary funds, as recommended by the Allocation Committee. The Committee, as required by Canon, was composed of the Bishop, the Suffragan Bishop, the Treasurer, the Assistant Treasurer, the Secretary of the Committee on the Program of the Church, and three parish rectors appointed by the previous Diocesan: the Rev. Ralph D. Bonacker, of Grace, Millbrook; the Rev. Francis J. Coffin of St. John's, Larchmont; and the

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Rev. Louis W. Pitt, D.D., Grace, Manhattan.

The Priority System

To meet the disparity between the \$338,000 asking of the Diocesan agencies and the \$228,000 expectation based on 1950 receipts, four priorities were established as follows:

GROUP I—First Priority

Committee on the Program of the Church
Diocesan Missionary & Church Extension
Society

N.Y.P.E. City Mission Society (*chaplaincy
budget and designated offerings for other
work*)

Treasurer's Office (*share of expense*)

GROUP II—Second Priority

Seamen's Church Institute (*Chaplains'
budget*)

GROUP III—Third Priority

Church Mission to Deaf Mutes
Commission on Christian Social Relations
Board of Religious Education
Commission College Work

GROUP IV—Fourth Priority

Episcopal Service to the Aged
Youth Consultation Service

However, the committee reported that "if the full quota is raised, these priorities will have no significance; but if it appears after the canvass that it will not be raised these priorities will form the basis on which the Committee on Diocesan Finances will adjust the Budget."

The Possible Allocations

That distribution would be as follows:

	Ask	Reduction	Available
GROUP I	\$221,879	15%	\$188,597
GROUP II	34,052	45%	18,729
GROUP III	48,598	60%	19,439
GROUP IV	33,521	96%	1,235

During the debate, the value of com-

ALLOCATION of missionary funds, the need and method, is graphically presented by Mr. Edward K. Warren.

missions as part of the Church's missionary function was reviewed. There was insistence that the primary mission of the Church was preaching the Gospel and that the social service activities are of secondary importance. Other speakers rejected this concept as labeling these works "fringe activities."

Reject Missionary "Cutbacks"

The principle of "cutback" for lack of missionary funds was scored by several speakers, principally, the Rev. Harold F. Hohly, rector of Christ Church, Bronxville. He pledged his parish, not only to meet the quota asked, which the parish has previously felt unable to do, but also to over-subscribe that amount by \$500. "The question is people, not figures," he said.

Robert Bruce, a vestryman of Christ Church, Riverdale, pledged likewise that his parish would meet its quota and called on other parishes to follow suit.

Finance Report Called Realism

The Rev. Arthur L. Kinsolving, D.D., rector of St. James', Man., asked approval of the Diocesan Finance Committee's report on the grounds that it was a realistic facing of the implications of 1952's missionary expectations. He observed that it was the committee's feeling that the agencies would rather know at once what to expect than for Convention to vote a theoretic optimistic budget and then face the beneficiaries with an unexpected financial crisis on January 1, 1952.

The Rev. Francis J. H. Coffin, rector of St. John's, Larchmont, at the request of

the Bishop, explained the way in which the allocations were decided. He listed five principles used:

Principles of Allocation

1. To give priority to religious work rather than social service.

2. To consider the relative importance of the type of work done as between these agencies or within each separate organization.

3. To ask whether some other agencies could do the work or supply the help or give the advice which this particular beneficiary of the Diocese is organized to give.

4. To consider the quality of the work done. (The speaker commented that the observers found that "the work of all of them was being excellently done.")

5. Where all things are equal, to give priority to long established work rather than to the newer projects, however desirable.

He noted that the allocations recommended were the result of intensive study of the programs and needs of the concerned groups by the individual members of the Committee on Allocation.

Substitute Motion

Dr. Brooks, on the other hand, offered a motion to substitute for the recommended 1952 missionary budget. That motion, as subsequently amended to make it more specific said, "That the following Missionary Budget for 1952 is hereby adopted:

Church Mission to Deaf Mutes	\$12,000
Church Periodical Club	2,000
Commission on Christian Social Relations	12,748
Committee on the Program of the Church	25,000
Diocesan Board of Religious Education	12,800
Diocesan Commission on College Work	11,050
Diocesan Missionary and Church Extension Society	134,074
Episcopal Service to the Aged	9,881
Girls' Friendly Society	2,500
N.Y.P.E. City Mission Society (<i>Chaplaincy budget and designated offerings for other work</i>)	59,805
Seamen's Church Institute (<i>Chaplains' budget</i>)	34,052
Treasurer's Office (<i>Share of Expenses</i>)	3,000
Youth Consultation Service	23,640

TOTAL \$342,550

Speaking against the proposed system of allocations in 1952, and for the substitute motion of Dr. Brooks were the Rev. Edward O. Miller, rector of St. George's, Man.; the Rev. Charles T. Bridgeman, S.T.D., assistant minister, Trinity Parish; and Mr. Clifford Morehouse.

Among those who spoke for the original recommendations of the Finance

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A Modern Diocese, Second Suffragan, Missionary Work

TO THE CLERGY AND LAY DELEGATES OF THE 169TH CONVENTION:

My affectionate greetings in the name of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ:

We are assembled once again in prayer and fellowship to review the work of the Church since last Convention, and to formulate Diocesan policy for the coming year. Today in a spirit of Christian fellowship, charity, and patience, let us fulfill the tasks entrusted to us, seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit that all our decisions may be in accord with God's will for His Church.

Tribute to Bishop Gilbert

This is the first time in twenty years that Bishop Gilbert has not been on the platform at a Diocesan Convention. We all miss the presence of our friend and former Diocesan, who wisely and kindly served the Church in this Diocese as Priest and Bishop for forty-five years. I know that he is thinking of us at this time.

Our own clergy family has been broken by the death of the Rev. Sidney T. Cooke, the Rev. Henry A. McNulty, the Rev. Rob Roy Remington, the Rev. Rudolph M. Binder, the Rev. Frederick A. Wright, and the Rev. Richard A. Beaty.

The Rev. Richard Beaty had been active in the work of this Convention for over sixteen years, during which time he held the responsible position of Secretary. We recall with gratitude his usefulness to the Diocese and the Church he loved and so faithfully served. May the glorious light of Christ shine upon him and those of our brethren who have entered into eternal life.

Workers Together for Christ

On the first of January this year the Rt. Rev. Charles Francis Boynton assumed his duties as Suffragan Bishop and was officially and formally installed into that office on February the sixth. In the short time that he has been with us, Bishop Boynton has made a place for himself in the Diocese by his devotion to the Church, by his loyalty, and by his spirit of friendliness.

It means a great deal to us all and to me personally to have, as our Suffragan Bishop, an able and consecrated leader,



THE BISHOP, the Right Reverend Horace W. B. Donegan, D.D., S.T.D.

and I look forward with confidence to the service which Bishop Boynton will give to the Church in the years ahead.

I wish to thank our Archdeacon, whose service to the church merits our highest praise and gratitude. No Bishop ever had a more energetic Archdeacon than the Venerable George Bratt!

I know you would wish me also to ex-



Archdeacon Bratt

press our appreciation to one whose talents and capacities are always available in



Theodor Oxholm

forwarding and promoting the work of the Diocese, Mr. Theodor Oxholm.

My deep gratitude also to the Chancellor, officers of the Diocese, the Deans of Convocations, the clergy, the laymen, and the women who serve as members of numerous committees, commissions and societies.

The Growth of the Church

During the past year there have been confirmed by the laying on of hands a total of 3,198 persons. Of this number, 243 were confirmed by Bishop Gilbert, 776 by Bishop Boynton, 321 by Bishop Campbell, 72 by Bishop Littell, 305 by other Bishops and 1,589 by myself.

We have received in this Diocese during the year 217 adults from the Roman Communion.

We are indebted to the Bishops, and particularly to Bishop Campbell, for their assistance with the Confirmation Visitations. For some weeks Bishop Littell has been seriously ill. I am glad to tell you that he is making progress slowly. I know you will remember him in your prayers.

It should be a matter of concern to us all that some of those who are confirmed each year in our churches never become active communicants. Undoubtedly one reason for this is the lack of proper Confirmation instruction. No candidates should be presented to the Bishop until they are aware of their responsibilities and duties as Christians and Churchmen. Our Church will reach its full strength of influence and potential power as our people are well informed, well trained in the doctrines, discipline and worship of the Episcopal Church. We need positive, clear, continuous teaching of the Bible, the Creed, the Sacraments and the Church to keep the Faith alive and growing.

The Church Advances

I am happy to report that we have 62 men studying for Holy Orders, and 32 men in college who intend to seek admission as Postulants. This is encouraging, for the future welfare of the Church is dependent on the quantity and quality of its leaders.

God willing, I shall next month ordain 13 Candidates to the Diaconate and 1 Deacon to the Priesthood.

Though the situation has improved, it seems there will be a shortage of clergy for some years to come; and I wish to

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place before every Priest and every layman the responsibility of recruiting men of the highest type for the ministry of this Church.

Ending Years of Service

There have been an unusual number of clergy changes during the past year. Some have retired from the active ministry, others have taken up work in other Dioceses, and some have become Chaplains in the armed forces.

In looking at the names of those who have retired since last Convention, we cannot help but think with gratitude of the distinguished and devoted ministries of:

The Rev. Roland Jay Bunten, 24 years Rector of St. Paul's, Poughkeepsie.

The Rev. Wilbur Larremore Caswell, 26 years Rector of St. Paul's, Yonkers.

The Rev. Dr. Henry Darlington, 28 years Rector of the Church of the Heavenly Rest, Manhattan.

The Rev. Dr. George Paull Torrence Sargent, 17 years Rector of St. Bartholomew's Church, Manhattan.

We have received into the Diocese 24 clergy to whom we extend a cordial welcome and we pray that their ministry may be blessed in the years to come.

I would remind the delegates at this time that many of our clergy are still receiving salaries that have not been adjusted to the increased cost of living. In spite of the increases, many clergy salaries are inadequate. I can testify to the difficulty in filling vacancies because the stipends offered are too small.

During the past year the work of the Diocesan Missionary and Church Extension



NEW HOME of St. Francis of Assisi, Elmsford, St. Thomas', Rifton, which is being moved piece-meal, enlarged and refurbished upon the Elmsford site.

sion Society has progressed. A number of the Cornerstone Campaign building projects have been finished.

The new church and undercroft and rectory have been completed at St. Simon's, New Rochelle.

St. Andrew's, Montgomery, now has its new parish house. The plans were drawn by the Vicar, the Rev. Alan H. Tongue, and the addition has greatly enhanced the beauty and usefulness of our property in Montgomery.

The new church and parish house at

CORNERSTONE of the new St. Luke's, Williamsbridge, is being laid by the Bishop, at the 777 East 222nd St. site in the Bronx, May 19. This is one of the "Cornerstone" campaign projects. The Rev. Hugh H. Henry is vicar.

St. Luke's, Williamsbridge is practically completed and will be dedicated this spring.

Before our next Annual Convention I expect our congregation at St. Francis, Elmsford, and St. Augustine's, Yonkers, to be worshipping in their new churches.

A new rectory has been purchased for use of the Vicar of St. Luke's, at Katonah.

St. John's-in-the-Wilderness, situated in Palisades Interstate Park has been received as an Organized Mission of the Diocese.

A new Mission Work situated in Woodstock, New York, under the direction of the Rev. Herald C. Swezy, has been most successful.

It is expected that the Social Study will be completed by January, 1952. If the clergy and vestries and people give full cooperation, this Study may well mark the beginning of a new period in Church history in our Diocese, which we trust will strengthen the Church in every aspect of its life, especially as it seeks to serve better all people in its care.

I am glad that you have acted favorably on the recommendation of the Committee on Incorporation and Admission of Parishes and have received into union with this Convention the Church of the Holy Trinity, Manhattan, the Rev. James A. Paul, D.D., Rector, and St. Andrew's Church, Hartsdale, the Rev. Paul Lattimore, Rector. St. Augustine's



Church, Croton, the Rev. Gerardus Beekman, Rector, has assumed full responsibility for support and again becomes an independent Parish. We congratulate the clergy and congregations of these churches on their accomplishments. These three new independent parishes will strengthen the life of the Diocese.

Contribution of the Woman's Auxiliary

I wish there were time to speak at length of the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary. They are indeed more than an auxiliary to the Church. The Auxiliary strengthens the Church's life in innumerable ways and particularly through their prayers and devotion. During the past year under the auspices of the Devotional Life Department of the Woman's Auxiliary, 600 women from 102 parishes have attended schools of prayer; 55 parishes have held quiet days; 20 district quiet days have been held to which 100 parishes sent representatives; 60 prayer study groups are meeting weekly in parishes throughout the Diocese; 3 district prayer groups to which 40 parishes send representatives also meet regularly. In these days of storm and stress the women of the Church are teaching us what the spirit of prayer can do in helping to carry forward the Church's work. It is enheartening to know that the women of the Church are supporting the Bishops and clergy with their prayers.

Finances

Financially we have advanced this past year. Our total missionary giving for the missionary program of the Diocese and the National Church exceeded \$600,000.00. This was the largest amount contributed since the Every Member Canvass was established in 1919. It was a 58 per cent greater contribution than was made in 1949; an increase of nearly a quarter of a million dollars.

In 1950 we gave \$379,000.00 to the Budget of the National Council, representing an increase of \$170,000.00 over the amount given in the previous year, the largest amount ever given by the Diocese to the Budget of the General Church. I might add that last year the Diocese of New York gave \$85,000.00 more than any other Diocese to the National Council. This evidence of a new sense of missionary obligation is most gratifying. We are all proud of this achievement. We have raised our sights. We have set our standard of missionary giving nearer to where it belongs.

Needs Still Not Met

However, even with this improvement in giving, our needs have not been met.

The report of the Committee on Diocesan Finances (which incorporates the



recommendations of the Committee on Allocation of Missionary Funds) is printed in the Calendar of business and will be presented shortly by its chairman.

I will not, therefore, review the budgets themselves, but I do wish to comment on the proposals in connection with the missionary budget which will be submitted for your approval.

These recommendations have been made necessary, for despite the increase in our giving, we still fail to meet our missionary quota. I recognize that there may be some inequities in the method of assigning the National Council apportionment and in arriving at parish quotas, and in time it may be possible to arrive at a better system. But the fact remains that many parishes do not have an Annual Every Member Canvass designed to give each member of the Church an opportunity to give to our missionary work.

We have a group of laymen who are now being trained to assist any parish or mission in the organization of a thorough Every Member Canvass. I urge you to use these services and to encourage your best qualified laymen to help us in the presentation of the missionary enterprise to our people. Let us redouble our efforts until we reach the level of giving of which we are capable.

I want to share with all of you my deep personal concern over the situation that confronts you today in regard to the Budget of 1952. I ask you to face the problem realistically as the Committee on Allocation of Missionary Funds and the Committee on Diocesan Finances have done. I can assure you that the decisions which have been made and which are presented for your approval have been most reluctantly arrived at.

As your Diocesan, I am familiar with the work of most of our Diocesan agencies, societies and commissions. I know full well the value of their respec-

THE BISHOP has just congratulated the rectors of two churches upon their admission into union with Convention. Standing, left to right the Bishop; the Rev. James A. Paul, D.D., rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, Man., with Mr. W. H. Dannat Pell and Mr. Frederic Hoppin of Holy Trinity; the Rev. Paul L. Lattimore, rector of St. Andrew's, Hartsdale; Mr. Jose Machado (face obscured) of Holy Trinity; and Mr. Walter James, Junior Warden, St. Andrew's.

tive programs and the urgency of their needs.

The Need for "Priorities"

This has made it extremely difficult for me as Chairman of the Committee on Allocation of Missionary Funds to agree with the unanimous opinion of the other members of the Committee. But you may be certain that the Committee has tried to act in the best interests of the Church as a whole.

Important and necessary as all our Diocesan agencies are, there must be a policy of priority in the assignment of missionary funds. Indeed it is the mind of the Convention as set forth in Canon 20 Section 2 subsection 2—

"It shall be the duty of the Committee on Allocation of Missionary Funds to recommend to the Committee on Diocesan Finances the order of priority in the allocation of missionary funds as between organizations entitled to receive the same, and the order of priority among the various activities within each such organization."

I know that many of you, particularly the clergy, are elected or appointed members of one or another of the agencies which will be affected if we do not raise our budget. I fully understand and share your concern, but we must act on principle, and subordinate our interest as individuals or members of any one group to the greater interest of the program of the Church as a whole.

The "Priority" of Christ

But more than a Diocesan policy of priorities is needed if the Church is to

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PICTURE of New Field Officers Group, meeting at Seabury House, May 19-20.

FIRST ROW (l. to r.) David H. Vail, Rutledge Birmingham, Jr., Herbert E. Saulpaugh, J. Nick Carter, Edgar N. Campbell, Thomas N. Young

SECOND ROW: Warner Fields, J. Harold Preston, John P. Currie, Mons A. Grinager, Howard D. Weiss, Nicholas B. Marden, Charles H. Parton

THIRD ROW: Stephen D. Teetor, Alfred H. Iles, Jr., Leonard Morey, Edwin J. Yowell, Willard A. Pleuthner, Leon D. Nettleton

FOURTH ROW: David L. Fiske, Walter Bean, John N. Linn, Frank E. Becker, Albert R. Kolar, Gifford R. Beal, Lawrence Rile, John R. LeTourneur

go forward proclaiming the message of Christ with boldness and with zeal. We must each and every one of us, who have been signed with the sign of the Cross, give priority to Our Lord's claim upon our resources, then we shall be able to meet our full responsibility to the National Church and provide for all the needs of our Diocesan Budget.

Where there is no vision, the people perish. We need a new vision, certainly in regard to our responsibilities for the spiritual tasks entrusted to us by Him who said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

Can we not see Our Lord watching with deep concern our response as a Diocese, as congregations, as individuals to the opportunities that are given to the Episcopal Church to minister in His Name?

Reorganization

A matter which has occupied a lot of my thoughts is that of the reorganization of the Diocesan structure.

There is an obvious and clear need for the coordination and integration of the work now functioning under so many separate units. Since 1785 the Diocesan structure has grown without any plan. Each time Convention faced a new need or problem, another organization was established to deal with it.

We do not need a Hoover report to show us the economies, and efficiency of administration, that can be effected by modernizing the machinery of our Diocesan affairs.

What I have in mind is the Bishop and Executive Council type of Diocesan organization which is widely in use throughout the Church.

It is my judgment that the Council should consist of clergy and laity elected

by Convention, together with appointments made by the Bishop.

I would suggest that the Council should include a Department of Missions, a Department of Christian Education and a Department of Christian Social Relations, and a Department of Finance. In addition I would strongly recommend a Department of Promotion and Public Relations. And naturally the Woman's Auxiliary should be represented on the Executive Council of the Diocese, as they are on the National Council of the Church.

The Council would be responsible for the unification and supervision of the program set up by the Diocesan Convention.

It would operate in a way that would enable each department to see its own work in relation to the other departments and the overall life of the Diocese.

Obviously there are many problems connected with this proposed change, but I know there are in this Diocese, clergy and laity fully capable and competent to devise a new Diocesan set-up, that would meet our needs.

It is my request, therefore, that Convention authorize me to appoint a committee of clergy and laity to study the whole matter and to report its findings

and recommended canonical changes to the next Convention.

One of the responsibilities of the Bishop of New York is that connected with our great and glorious Cathedral of St. John the Divine. The Mother Church of the Diocese is increasingly a center of prayer and praise, ministering to God's questing multitudes.

I should like to express my appreciation to all who are connected with the Cathedral for their cooperation at all times.

The Old Synod House, now called the Guild Hall, had become a fire hazard and unsafe for public use, which made it necessary for the Trustees to completely renovate the building. The new Guild Hall is a functional and beautiful addition to the Cathedral property.

The Trustees have put Ogilvie House, the Bishop's residence, in good repair and are presently making over Diocesan House, which will house all Diocesan offices. All these renovations have been done at the sole expense of the Cathedral.

Call for a Second Suffragan

I now wish to present to you for your consideration the matter of additional Episcopal assistance. As you doubtless know, for years New York had three Bishops of its own. Since 1936 the work has been carried on by a Diocesan and Suffragan Bishop, assisted by a number of retired Bishops. It would be much more satisfactory for many reasons if our Diocesan family had three Bishops of its own, always available for the pastoral care of our 383 clergy and 255 parishes and missions, and to give the supervision which is necessary for the work of the Church in the Diocese to go forward.

In view of the amount spent each year in obtaining Episcopal assistance, the expense of a second Suffragan would not be over-burdensome to the Diocese. I will add that the Standing Committee is in full agreement with me in this matter.

Accordingly, therefore, by reason of the extent of the work and in accordance with Canon 21 Section 1 of the General Church, I ask the Convention to authorize the election of a Suffragan Bishop for this Diocese. I would further point out in connection with this request, that the election will not take place before the next Annual Convention or at a subsequent time determined by the Bishop in consultation with the Standing Committee.

If you comply with this request, I believe the Church in this Diocese will move forward in greater usefulness in the name of Our Lord and Saviour.

The Unity of Our Church

Before I close my report, I wish to refer to the remarkable spirit of unity that prevails throughout the Diocese. It is our great strength to be united together in fellowship with one another, and with Our Divine Lord. We are one in faith with Our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Word of God. We are not isolated congregations or individuals in carrying out our tasks whatever they may be. We are very members incorporate in the mystical body of Christ, which is the blessed company of all faithful people. Let us endeavor to keep the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace.

With this truth in our hearts and minds we can lift our thoughts from facts and figures to Him in whom we live and move and have our being. For as that distinguished leader of the Anglican Communion, the late Dr. Temple, Archbishop of Canterbury, so stirringly said,

"While we deliberate, God reigns; when we decide wisely, He reigns; when we decide foolishly, He reigns; when we serve Him in humble loyalty, He reigns; when we serve him self-assertively, He reigns; when we rebel and seek to withhold our service, He reigns—the Alpha and Omega which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty."

Horace W. B. Smeagan

Project Parish Day School Association To Form in Fall

A new organization to serve the parish day schools of the Diocese was projected by the schools attending the first Parish Day School Conference, held at Grace Church House, May 19.

A committee was named by the conferees to effect the recommendations of the attending schools that "The Episcopal Parish School Association of the Diocese of New York" be organized.

The organizing committee has two tasks. First, to draw up a tentative constitution and by-laws; and secondly, to prepare an agenda for a Fall conference at which the constitution and by-laws will be acted upon and at which the work and scope of the association will be established.

All Episcopal Schools in the Diocese are being invited to participate with the parish day schools, including St. Hilda's, St. Peter's, Peekskill, the choir schools, and others.

The organizing committee which has set its first meeting for June 8th is composed of Mr. E. Ellison Grant, headmaster of Grace Church School, chairman; Mrs. H. Rushton Bell, Grace Church School, White Plains, Secretary; Canon Green, headmaster of Cathedral

SYNOD HOUSE was filled to capacity throughout Convention to its close, marking one of the most lively sessions in the memory of many delegates.

Choir School; Mrs. Harry Myers, director, Resurrection Parish School; Sister Ruth, S.S.J.D., St. Hilda's School; Mrs. Aline Stump Fisher, principal, Heavenly Rest Day School; the Rev. Paul C. Weed, headmaster, St. Luke's School.

The Bishop opened the Conference and the Rev. Canon Theodore O. Wedel, Ph.D., warden, College of Preachers, Washington, D.C., set the keynote question, "Why the Parish School."

Other speakers were the Rev. John Heuss, D.D., director Department of Christian Education, National Council; Mr. Grant, and the Rev. James A. Pike.

Bishop to Advance One to Priesthood; Ordain 14, June 10

On June 10th, at 11 a.m. in the Cathedral, the Bishop will advance to the priesthood, the Rev. William Evans Ridgeway.

At the same service, the Bishop will ordain the following men to the Diaconate:

Langford Baldwin
William Lever Bates
Charles Howard Briant
William Harry Crawford, Jr.
Hugh E. Cuthbertson
Kenneth G. Drescher
Arnold A. Fenton, Jr.
Douglas M. Glasspool
Daniel G. O. Gockler
Raymond DeWitt Mallary, Jr.
John A. Phillips
Charles Pickett
Kenneth W. Roberts
Johann Schenk



CONVENTION Sets Course Of DIOCESE for Coming Year

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Committee, urging their adoption, were the Rev. Hugh McCandless, rector of Epiphany, Man.; the Rev. R. E. Terwilliger, rector, Christ Church, Poughkeepsie; the Rev. Louis W. Pitt, D.D., rector, Grace, Man.; and the Rev. J. Harry Price, rector, St. James the Less, Scarsdale.

In the final vote on the substitute motion, the vote was 222 for and 101 against.

The adopted motion provided further that the Bishop was authorized to appoint also a total of eleven persons, representing all the Convocations to consult with the Committee who, in case of insufficiency of funds in 1952, were instructed to hold "hearings on the 1951 Budget in which all organizations allotted funds in the 1951 Budget shall have the opportunity to present their respective needs."

Bishop Boynton Speaks

At this point in the proceedings, Bishop Boynton greeted the delegates.

Among the other matters transacted by Convention, the "Resolution on the State of the Nation" offered by the Commission on Christian Social Relations was adopted, after a brief sharp debate, by the close margin of 141 for to 114 against.

That resolution found "a situation of utmost danger to the moral and religious life of America and of all the world." Three steps were listed to "win the moral and spiritual battle of our day and to safeguard every value for which the Church of Christ stands." These were, in brief:

1. An endorsement of the United Nations activities in the field of social and economic well-being and a call for the feeding of famine stricken India.

2. Action to safeguard the integrity of government, not only in the prosecution of men guilty of violation of the law, but in the setting of higher standards of ethics for public officials.

3. The removal of every form of discrimination based on race, color, nationality or economic status.

By unanimous voice vote, Convention approved the resolution offered by the Rev. Wilbur L. Caswell, rector of St. Paul's, Yonkers, discontinuing the practice of awarding certificates to vestrymen who had served over twenty years on church vestries.

Two technical amendments relating to the Canons and the Rules of Order were adopted.

The Rev. John A. Mulligan, rector of All Angels, Man., proposed a resolution

calling upon the Committee on Diocesan Finances to study carefully the recommendations on the setting of missionary quotas made by General Convention. The resolution was adopted.

The resolution offered by the Trustees of the Estate and Property of the Diocesan Convention asking for the election of Mr. Clarence G. Michalis and Mr. Thomas Roberts for terms of 4-years, was approved.

Bishop Gilbert Remembered

At the close of Convention, the Bishop noted that Bishop Gilbert was absent from Convention as a Bishop for the first time in twenty years, and, by acclaim, Convention directed the secretary of Convention to send him affectionate greetings. Also, Mr. Morehouse suggested a note to Bishop Littell wishing him a speedy recovery from his illness.

Convention opened with an 8:15 a.m. celebration of the Holy Communion. The Bishop was the celebrant, assisted by Bishop Boynton, who read the Gospel. Dr. Pitt, as president of the Standing Committee, read the Epistle. The Archdeacon assisted; and the Registrar, the Rev. Lawrence B. Larsen, rector of Christ Church, Pelham Manor, read the necrology which included the following diocesan clergy:

The Rev. Octavius Applegate, D.D., retired, sometime rector of St. John's, Kingston, and deputy to General Convention.

The Rev. Henry Augustus McNulty, D.D., vicar of Christ's Church, Rye, and sometime principal of Soochow Academy, Soochow, Kiansu, China.

The Rev. Rudolph Michael Binder, Ph.D., professor emeritus, New York University and sometime curate of St. Bartholomew's, Man.

The Rev. Frederick Amaziab Wright, rector Emeritus of St. John's, Tuckahoe.

The Rev. Richard A. D. Beaty, rector of St. Peter's, Chelsea, and secretary of Convention.

The Rev. Sidney Thomas Cooke, D.D., onetime assistant minister at St. James, Man.

New Secretary Elected

When Convention was convened by the Bishop, the Rev. Lawrence B. Larsen was elected Secretary. He is also Registrar. Mr. R. H. Mansfield was elected treasurer of Convention.



Rev. L. B. Larsen

A highlight of the opening of Convention was the admission of two parishes into union with the Convention. One

the Church of the Holy Trinity, Man., had been a chapel of St. James', Man; and the other, St. Andrew's, Hartsdale, had been a diocesan supported mission. The respective rectors, the Rev. James A. Paul, D.D., and the Rev. Paul L. Lattimore were congratulated by the Bishop.

After adjournment at 4:15 p.m., the delegates and their ladies were the Bishop's guests at tea in the undercroft of the Synod House.

U.T.O. Spring Gifts Total \$19,943

Our churchwomen continue to bear witness of their thankfulness by the prayerful use of their UNITED THANK OFFERING BOXES, Mrs. J. Carolyn Whiteley said in reporting that the United Thank Offering now stands at \$19,943.44, following the Spring in-gathering, May 1.

Mrs. Whiteley, Treasurer of the U.T.O., reported that the total offering for the 1949-52 Triennial is now \$81,902.56, or \$17,968.39 more than the first four offerings of the previous three-year period.

Two more presentations, Advent 1951 and Spring 1952, remain before the end of the Triennial and the national presentation in September 1952.

Mrs. Whiteley said that at the offering in 1949, Missionary Bishops received approximately 25% of the money they requested for the erection of much needed buildings to provide for the spiritual, physical and material needs of those who are being cared for by our missionaries. During the war years, many buildings were in need of repair, re-decorating, equipment or even enlargement, which could not be done due to lack of funds.

"Will the women of this Diocese accept a challenge? Will they make a special effort to make more regularly a prayerful and tangible thankoffering?"

BUILDING-TO-BE of Grace Church Day Parish School.



New Group of Field Officers Are Trained by W. Ted Gannaway

Thirty-one newly appointed Diocesan Field Officers met at Seabury House, Greenwich, Conn., on Saturday and Sunday, May 19th-20th, for the third Basic Training Conference on the Program of the Church.

Sponsored by the Committee on the Program of the Church, the Conference presented, in a most intensive manner, the structure of the Episcopal Church and its missionary work in the Diocese, in the United States and overseas.

These laymen, recommended by their rectors or vicars and appointed by the Bishop, join the more than one hundred such trained volunteers who make up the Diocesan Field Officers Corps. The primary purpose of this lay group is to bring, as effectively as possible, to every parish and mission, the story of the Church's missionary outreach. They are a part of the more than three thousand laymen trained in this program during the last two years throughout the Church.

The Conference was directed by W. Ted Gannaway, Secretary of the Program of the Church in the Diocese of New York and a national instructor in the Laymen's Training Program. The Rt. Rev. Ervine A. Swift, newly consecrated Bishop of Puerto Rico, addressed the Conference, giving a first hand account of the mission work of our Church in China, Japan, and the Philippines from which he has just returned. Bishop Swift was the celebrant at the Service of Holy Communion in the Chapel at Seabury House on Sunday morning. He was assisted by the Rev. Dr. George A. Wieland, Director of the Home Department of the National Council.

Dr. Wieland spoke at the morning session, answering the many questions concerning the work of our Domestic Missions and the development of rural work, College work and Chaplaincy in our Armed Forces. He ended with a stirring statement of our missionary imperative and was most enthusiastically hailed by the men attending the Conference.

Plans for the Training Conference for all Diocesan Field Officers, to be held on September 30, 1951 to set up the presentations to be made to the parishes and missions this Fall, were announced.

The Conference was notable for the enthusiasm of the men who attended, and the Diocesan Field Officer's Corps is proud to welcome these most important new additions to its ranks.



LEADERS of the Parish Day School Conference, May 19th, the Rev. Louis W. Pitt, D.D., Bishop Boynton, E. Allison Grant, the Bishop, Canon Wedell, and Chaplain Pike.

3:30 Rector, All Angels' Parish, Manhattan
 "The Bishop's Message" — Bishop Donegan
 2:45- 3:15 "Organizing and Conduct of Parish Men's Groups"
 A discussion led by Ted Gannaway

First Laymen's Meet Is Held June Third

The First Annual Laymen's Conference for parish and mission keymen will be held in the Synod Hall, Cathedral Close, Sunday, June 3rd, from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. The following agenda has been scheduled and all laymen will be cordially welcomed.

- 8:00- 9:00 Celebration of the Holy Communion, Cathedral
- 10:00-10:30 Registration, Synod Hall
- 10:30 Invocation
- 10:35-10:45 Welcome of Keymen and guests
 H. Wynn Bussmann, Diocesan Chairman, Laymen's Work
- 10:45-11:15 "The Parish Keyman, A Man's Job"
 W. Ted Gannaway, Diocesan Secretary, Laymen's Work
- 11:30-12:00 "Men, This is Our Business"
 W. B. Price, Tariff Executive, Trans World Airlines
- 12:00-12:30 "The Keyman in the Layman's Movement"
 The Rev. Clarence R. Haden, Executive Director
 The Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymen's Work
- 12:30- 1:30 Luncheon
- 1:30- 2:00 "The Laymen's Movement"
 The Honorable Oscar W. Ebrhorn, President of the Church Clubs, Charter Member of the Presiding Bishop's Committee on Laymen's Work
- 2:15- 2:45 "A Priest and His Laymen"
 The Rev. John M. Mulligan,

The Bishop to Open Peekskill Summer Youth Conference

The Bishop will be present to open the Diocesan Summer Conferences, St. Peter's School, Peekskill. He will give the instruction at the evening service on Sunday, June 24th, will be the Celebrant at the Service of Holy Communion at eight o'clock Monday morning, June 25th, and will spend the day with the young people. Monday will be known as "The Bishop's Day."

Bishop Boynton will visit the Senior Conference as chaplain, July 1st to July 7th.

The General Topic for the Conferences will be "The Altar and the World." For the younger children the catechetical method will be used.

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DELEGATES take a "breather" after lunch before returning to the afternoon session of the May 8th 169th Convention.

BRIEFLY SPEAKING

Mrs. Carrie R. Ten Eyck, treasurer of the Parish Guild-Woman's Auxiliary, GRACE, Hastings-on-Hudson, reports a balance of \$763.79 from receipts of \$2,083.27 for the last year . . . and Jack Barrowman starred for St. Andrew's, Yonkers, players in "Mr. Barry's Etchings," May 16, 18, 19 . . . Maritime Sunday was May 20 at Seaman's Church Institute.

CHRIST CHURCH, New Brighton, received a bequest of \$500 from the late Mabel W. Alexander, last month . . . Miss Barbara Arnold is leaving CHRIST CHURCH, Poughkeepsie, as assistant for College and Youth Work, in June. She is being succeeded by Miss Nancy McCaslin . . . Mr. P. Ellis and Mr. G. Zellar are not only dignified but efficient ushers of ALL SAINTS, Harrison.

Laymen at Work

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI, Elmsford, Decoration Day Bar-Be-Cue, May 30, is chaired this year by Mr. William Griffen . . . Mrs. Marion Lambert chaired ST. AUGUSTINE'S, Yonkers, May 19 dinner, given to review the plans for their new building to be built this summer . . . The recent RESURRECTION, Man., smorgasbord forwarded the missionary program by \$188.93 .

L. H. Nunes, chairman of INTERCESSION CHAPEL, Trinity, Fiesta, May 1, reports a successful affair . . . The Rev. Wilbur L. Caswell who is making clergy happy by giving away his library because he is retiring as rector of ST. PAUL'S, Yonkers, June 1, says anent the good wishes on his retirement, "There's no harm in a little flattery, if you don't inhale."

Our beloved former diocesan, Bishop Gilbert, has just accepted appointment as vicar of Emmanuel Church, Shelburne Falls, Diocese of Western Massachusetts, near Heath where he now resides . . . ST. JAMES', Fordham, Lawn Social June 14, is chaired by Mrs. S. J. Van Horn.

Hal Erdman chaired the June 2 Kiddies' Karnival at ST. GEORGE'S, Man., held this year in place of their traditional Whitsuntide Fair . . . Mrs. J. G. Phelps Stokes chaired the Bridge and Canasta Party, May 16, at

and her committee projected a joyous evening May 25 for ST. JAMES', Man.; Miss Mary Soloists of TRINITY, Ossining, May 17 Choir Concert were J. Fulton Main, Harris Hitchcock, Miss Frances Harter, Mrs. J. Grannis, Miss Ethel Hauptman, Mrs. J. Corr, Miss June LePeer, and an old fashioned barber-shop quartet . . . Roger G. Hannahs won the 1951 Church of the ASCENSION, Man., Ascension Day Anthem Competition for a "Te Deum" .

Something New Doing

The Rev. John Ellis Large reports that HEAVENLY REST, Man., scholarship fund was added to by the printers who read in the parish leaflet they were printing of the church's effort to send an Episcopal lad to Trinity College . . . ST. THOMAS'S, Mamaroneck, Strawberry Bridge is June 8 . . . ST. PHILIP'S, Man., Country Fair, is June 22 Scarlet pushed tickets.

. . . Tony Adams, Ted Baumeister, Beryl Clements, Jackie De Mann, Philip Ekstrom, Joyce Foulk, Pete Greenfield, Charles Jelenik, Tommy Jones, Gwenn Lowden, Eugene Mahlau, Susanne Martin, Robert Nelson, Ann Rappolt, Bill Rowley, Seward Sweet, Gloria Zappola and the Rector (Sic!) presented the Young People's Fellowship Variety Show May 6 for CHRIST CHURCH, Riverdale.

Had You Heard That —

The largest peacetime class of student nurses (82) ever graduated from St. Luke's Hospital were blessed by the Bishop at their May 17 commencement exercises in the Cathedral . . . The Rev. Robert Shellenberger organized more than fifty members of ST. JOHN'S, Kingston, to paint the parishhouse last month . . . The front seats at GRACE, Millbrook, are listed as the most valuable by the parishioners . . . Logan Dayton, Thomas Biggs, Lloyd Mathers, Robert McCullough, Junius Stephenson, and the Rev. Lawrence B. Larsen, rector, gave the CHRIST CHURCH, Pelham Manor, acolytes a Seminary and circus day May 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Whetstone invited their neighbors in to meet their rector, the Rev. Harold B. Thelin of GRACE, Nyack . . . The May 11 annual Spring tea of the Woman's Auxiliary of ST. MARY THE VIRGIN, Man., inspected the "Dream Kitchen" in the home of their hostess, Mrs. William C. Dickey . . . Miss Carol Brice and Miss Mildred Dilling brightened ST. GEORGE'S, Man., service of Negro Spirituals, May 6.

ST. MARY'S, Richmond, congratulates Arthur Muller on his entering West Point in July . . . TRINITY, Mt. Vernon, congratulates Mr. and Mrs. Arthur K. Beman on the birth of a son, Thomas Stephen .

Pieces and Parts

Our apologies to the Rev. Fessenden A. Nichols, whom the typesetter transferred to Pearl River last month. We know he is, and has been, rector of CHRIST CHURCH, Suffern, one of our most missionary minded parishes . . . The Rev. James A. Paul, rector of HOLY TRINITY, Man., and the Rev. Fenimore E. Cooper, rector, TRINITY Mt. Vernon, were elected to the office of dean in their respective Convocations of Manhattan and Westchester last month.

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