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The Commissioning of the Apostles by Ernest Pellegrini, Sculptor. Courtesy of the National Sculpture Society.

New Chaplain For College Work

The Diocesan Commission on College Work has announced the appointment of a new Chaplain for college work, Rev. John W. Pyle.



The Rev. Mr. Pyle, a native of Los Angeles, holds both the Bachelor and Master of Arts degrees from the University of California. A graduate of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, he has done graduate work at Union Theological Seminary in New York. Following three years as a Navy chaplain on active duty in the Pacific, the Rev. Mr. Pyle returned to California and came to New York as Assistant to the

Rev. James A. Paul at the Church of the Holy Trinity in 1949. Last year he was Chaplain to Episcopal Students and Associate Director of the University Christian Association at New York University.

Social Research Has New Diocesan Head

The Rev. Benson B. Fisher has joined the Diocesan staff as the director of the Social Research



Study that has been undertaken by the the Conventions of Manhattan, The Bronx and lower Westchester. Mr. Fisher came to

the Diocese from Chicago where he has been a close associate of the Rev. Joseph Moore in making similar studies in various large population centers. Mr. Fisher is a graduate of Seabury—Western Theological Seminary and has held the rectorship of several parishes before interesting himself in the technical side of religious and social surveys.

New Vicar At St. Augustine's Chapel

The Rev. S. Kilmer Myers was appointed Vicar of St. Augustine's Chapel, Trinity Parish, Henry and Scammel Streets, as of September 15, by the Rev. Dr. John Heuss, Rector of Trinity Church.



Father Myers has been priest-in-charge at Grace Episcopal Church, (Van Vorst), Erie and Second St., Jersey City, since 1949, and his work there has become a model for the work of the Episcopal Church in industrial areas.

THE BISHOP'S MESSAGE



THE 57th General Convention of the Church, held last month in Boston, is over. The Bishops, delegates and visitors have gone back to their respective dioceses and parishes. They have returned, one is sure, with a clearer understanding of the primary mission of the Church, i.e., to bring people to the knowledge of God revealed in Jesus Christ as Judge and Saviour, and to present the Good News to those who know it not.

The reporting of General Convention was more accurate than has sometimes been the case. At one General Convention a local reporter, in describing the opening service, stated: "The Bishops moved majestically up the middle aisle vested in their rubrics." It would be repetitious to go into the details of the doings of General Convention; they have been reported in the Church press, daily papers and elsewhere in this issue of the Diocesan BULLETIN. However, I would call attention to the most important action which indicates the large vision of the Church for the work ahead, represented, in a mundane way, by the adoption of the largest budget in history in the amount of \$5,924,043.38, which is \$125,000.00 more than the one proposed by the National Council.

Cautious and conservative in other matters, General Convention reflected the determination of the Church to bear vigorous Christian witness in the coming years. This budget means "worldwide missions, the incorporation of men, women and children into the Sacramental life of the Church; their education in the Christian faith and fellowship and duty; and the application of Christianity to daily life." To make it a reality will require greater sacrifice and generosity on the part of all. Our Diocesan share of the total is \$493,000.00.

I am enheartened by the increase in our giving to the National Church, and I am appreciative of the remarkable contribution of the women of our Diocese to the United Thank Offering of the Woman's Auxiliary. Truly we have made great gains but we must do more in order to reach our objectives.

Let every communicant this year give generously and sacrificially in a spirit of thanksgiving to God for His blessings. Then we shall keep pace with the present program of the National Church and also provide adequately for our Diocesan agencies.

This past summer two of our parochial clergy, the Reverend Worcester Perkins, for twenty-two years Rector of the Church of the Holy Communion, Manhattan, and the Reverend Alexander Ketterson, retired, formerly Rector of the Church of the Atonement, Bronx, were called into the Larger Life. We extend our sincere sympathy to the

members of their families, and we commend their souls to God's loving care and mercy; may they rest in peace.

On St. Simon and St. Jude's Day, October 28th, I shall celebrate the fifth anniversary of my consecration to the Episcopate. For the great honor and privilege of serving as your Bishop, and for your loyalty and cooperation I am profoundly grateful. I have been your Chief Pastor long enough to realize how easily a Diocesan Bishop can become simply a busy administrator. It is my deep desire as the years go by never to neglect the pastoral function of my office. Only in this way can I be of service to the flock of Christ committed to my care.

As we begin a new season of work in the name of Our Blessed Lord may we seek His guidance and empowering grace.

—HORACE W. B. DONEGAN



TIME -- TALENT -- TREASURE

IN a few days you will be asked to make your pledge to the Church. You alone will decide whether it will be enough or too little. No one will ask you, in terms of dollars and cents, how much the Church means to you. But it may help you in deciding the amount of your pledge if you do some thinking about what the Church means to you.

There is an unbreakable bond between you and your Church. On the one hand, it is the united strength of you and your fellow members which gives physical substance to the Church and makes it possible for it to carry out God's will. On the other side, you have a deep dependence on your Church because it is your communion with God to Whom you owe everything, even the very fact of your existence.

The need for your pledge is a living proof that the Church cannot exist without its members. Your response will decide whether it will accomplish little or whether it can do much. You will not be

making a gift or donation, perhaps it is a mistake even to use the phrase "giving to the Church." For the real question is not one of giving, but is this: How much of all that God has given you during the year will you return to Him through His Church?



The theme of the Every Member Canvass this fall is Christian Stewardship. This theme is a frank recognition of the fact that everything we have belongs to God: our Time, our Talents, our Treasure. We are merely the stewards or caretakers of these gifts. It is our responsibility to use them in such a way as to justify our stewardship.

The obligations of stewardship do not have limits; we cannot choose to be bound by them in one

case and ignore them in another. They extend into the use of our gifts in everyday living, in raising a family, in leading a full life. It is our responsibility to temper our acts with generosity and friendliness, to raise our children to be better citizens, and in all ways to lead a Christian life.



A portion of what we receive, however, should be returned directly to God through His Church. There are ways in which we can give portions of our time and talents to volunteer work. But the most important way and the one open to us all is to give from our treasure, thereby providing the means by which the Church can carry on its work.

The question we all face is how much or how little our pledge will be. It should be ample, we know, but how much is a ple? How much should we reserve for our pledge before we take care of our own needs?

It is not possible to put a finger on what constitutes an adequate pledge. That is something you must decide with your own conscience. Those who have suffered illness or other misfortunes during the year are giving generously when they make even a modest pledge. A family with growing children usually cannot afford as much as a couple who have only themselves to worry about.

Your Church has planned its Program, both at home and overseas, for next year. But its budget is only a listing of the minimum amount needed to carry out

the Program. For every mission the Church operates overseas it would like to have two or five or ten. For every project it carries out in this country it would like to have many more. There are millions who need the help and guidance the Church could give; if it had the means to help them all.

Perhaps that should be the measure of your pledge: think of it in terms of human beings, of men and women and children at home and in distant places who depend on what you give. We are a fortunate people. Personal misfortune may strike some among us but most of us are richly blessed. We have freedom; hundreds of millions do not know what the word means. We are well-fed; and there are hundreds of millions who are hungry. We worship God without hinderance; but countless persons cannot. Many of the everyday features of our lives appear miraculous and completely unattainable to a big part of the world.



As Christian Stewards we are caretakers of the greatest blessings on earth. It is a thought which should make us humble and not arrogant. It should also help us to see that we, more than anyone else, have an inescapable duty to render back to God a big share of our time, our talents, and our treasure.

The opportunity to show your humble gratitude to God lies in the way you support His work through His Church. Will you use the opportunity well?

THE 57th GENERAL CONVENTION

by The Rev. John Heuss, D. D.

Rector of Trinity Parish, Manhattan

The Fifty-Seventh General Convention held in Boston brought to the members of the House of Bishops and the Clerical and Lay Deputies many contrasting moods and emotions. The Convention opened with one of the most moving services in my recollection. The Boston Garden was filled to overflowing with more than 15,000 people. It is always a very thrilling sight to me to witness again the long procession with which the Opening Service begins. Here one sees gathered together in one place a great cross-section of the leadership of our Church. Everyone was moved again, as we have been in the past, by the stirring words of the Presiding Bishop as he set the key-note for the Convention's work and vision.

Tragic Death of Dean Sprouse

The very next morning all of us were stunned by the sudden tragic death of the President of the House of Deputies, the Very Reverend Claude W. Sprouse. For many of us this was a personal loss beyond description, because he had been our friend for many years. It was a source of great satisfaction that the Reverend Dr. Theodore Wedel, Warden of the College of Preachers, was elected on the first ballot to succeed this important post.

The Diocese of New York can take much pride in the election by the Convention of the Rt. Rev. Horace W. B. Donegan, D.D., and Mr. William B. Given, Jr., a vestryman of Trinity Church, as mem-

bers of the National Council to serve for the next six years.

At every General Convention where there is need to elect a Missionary Bishop, there is always added an element of excitement. Two splendid young men, who have already served the Church with great devotion, were elected by this Convention. The Reverend C. Gresham Marmion, Jr., Rector of the Church of the Incarnation, Dallas, Texas, was elected to the Missionary District of Spokane, and the Reverend Lyman C. Ogilby, Brent School, Baguio, Philippine Islands, was elected as the second Suffragan of the Missionary District of the Philippines.

An Important Convention

This was a General Convention that is difficult to summarize in a phrase or two. It produced no great new program, and to the outward observer it may have appeared that it was dealing with secondary matters. It was clear, however, to anyone who had been privileged to see the General Convention operate over a period of years that it was one of the most important Conventions ever held. In the life of the Church there is a time for a great call to lift the sights of all of us and to move up higher. There is also a time when it is as deeply important to strengthen the work already begun and to deepen the foundations. This Convention quite clearly was of the latter type. If you were to examine the program and budget adopted by this Convention, you would find that it calls for no



Delegates to General Convention: Dr. Heuss, Dr. Brooks, Bishop Bovnton, Mr. C. G. Michalis, Bishop Donegan, Mr. G. W. Burpee, Archdeacon Bratt, Mr. C. P. Morehouse, Dean Pike.

startling new work to be done by the Church as a whole. Its major concern was to strengthen the capacity of our missionaries at home and abroad to do more competently the work, which has already been started. To this end, missionaries' salaries were increased, as they desperately need to be, and additional help was given to those who work in the missionary fields to carry forward their responsibilities. Help was given to the Church in Japan, where it is badly needed.

Authorizes Capital Campaign

Perhaps in the triennium ahead the most important aspect of program was left to the decision of the Presiding Bishop and to the National Council. The theological schools in the United States, St. Luke's Hospital in Manila, certain institutions in Japan, the American Church Institute for Negroes and St. Just's School in Puerto Rico all require substantial capital investment. The Convention voted to instruct the National Council to inaugurate and promote during the coming triennium a single campaign to meet urgent capital re-

quirements of the Church in these areas. This means that we shall soon hear of plans in which all of us will be asked to participate for the raising of a substantial sum of money for capital additions.

One of the most heartening aspects of the Convention was the admission of one of our domestic missionary districts as a diocese. This is the first time in fifteen years that it has taken place, and it was with great joy that the Missionary District of New Mexico and Southwest Texas was admitted to the General Convention as a self-supporting diocese.

The Convention could also be described as one that was extremely conservative in legislative matters. It voted not to permit women to serve as deputies, and this was a disappointment to many, including everyone in the New York delegation. The House of Bishops voted to take away the right of a retired Bishop to a vote, but this was defeated in the House of Deputies. Proposals to provide for administration of a chalice by licensed laymen and to define members, communicant and communicant in good

standing were defeated. On the other hand, a canonical change providing for the perpetual diaconate was approved. A number of resolutions having to do with national and international problems, particularly on the subject of racial discrimination, human rights, the United Nations and alcoholism, were adopted. It was my own feeling that the original resolutions as presented to the House of Deputies had not been carefully thought through nor properly worded in advance, and I believe that the debate which followed in open session did not express the mind of the Episcopal Church at its best.

The Budget Carefully Studied

It seemed that a great deal of time was consumed in discussion of the General Convention budget, and this was largely brought about by the introduction of two new items. Provision is now made to allow up to \$25,000 to the host diocese for the expenses of holding the General Convention. In 1954 the Pan-Anglican Congress will take place in Minneapolis, and, in order to help prepare for part of the expense of this important gathering of the Anglican Communion, it was voted to include an item of \$50,000 in the budget.

As is always the case, the presentation of the United Thank Offering of the women of the Church was the outstanding event of stewardship in the Convention, and the New York delegation took enormous pride in the fact that the women of the Diocese of New York had made the largest contribution of any diocese in the Church.

This year for the first time the Children's Offerings were recognized in a special service in which

all of the Bishops of the Church and a large number of children from the Diocese of Massachusetts participated. It was realized, I believe, for the first time that the Children's Offerings are nearly as important as the women's offering, amounting in this past triennium to well over \$1,600,000.00.

Fellowship A Vital Factor

These were a few of the matters with which the Convention dealt. Far more important perhaps than any legislative action which was taken is the fact that for two weeks this is the fellowship of the Church, gathered together in its strength. No person can attend General Convention without being impressed with what he sees. There is a spirit to be found there which is a spirit of the Church at its very best. One always comes away wishing that every priest and every parishioner might for once share this great experience with the others who are privileged to go. It is always a wonderful thing for the diocese in which the Convention is held. There many hundreds of people, who have never seen the Church assembled in this fashion, who come to realize the scope of our National Program and come to see the Church, as God sees it, as an army marching with banners. The Diocese of New York has not had a General Convention since 1913. I could not help thinking what a splendid thing it would be for all of us if we were privileged in the not too distant future to be the hosts in New York City to this great conclave of the Church.

TWO YOUTH WORKSHOPS THIS FALL

The Youth Committee of the Board of Religious Education of the Diocese will sponsor two Diocesan Youth Workshops to introduce the 1952-1953 program of the United Movement of the Church's Youth and to follow-up the National Youth Convention which was recently held in conjunction with the General Convention.

The first will be held in Christ Church, Suffern, on Friday evening and Saturday, October 24th and 25th. The second will be held at St. John's Church, Tuckahoe, Friday evening and Saturday, November 14th and 15th. Both workshops will have identical programs. Two young people from each parish in the Diocese may attend either Workshop. Between 20 and 40 priests of the Diocese will be asked to assist the Youth Committee which is chaired by the Rev. L. J. Winterbottom.

Highlighted on the program will be the reports of Candie Nichols of Suffern and John Simonds of

Nyack who were the delegates from the Diocese to the National Youth Convention.

The Theme of the Workshops is that of the National Youth Convention, "Youth Faces God". A Committee of ten young people from the various convocations and seven clergy is in charge. The fee for each delegate to the Workshops is two dollars.

New York Represented On National Council

The Rt. Rev. Horace W. B. Donagan, Bishop of New York and the Hon. William B. Given, Jr. Vestryman of Trinity Parish, Manhattan were elected for terms of six years each to the National Council by the House of Bishops and The House of Clerical and Lay Deputies to the General Convention. This is the first time in many years that the Bishop of New York has served on the National Council.



Tea is served on the Grounds of the Cathedral by Parishes of the Diocese following the afternoon services.

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TRIENNIAL

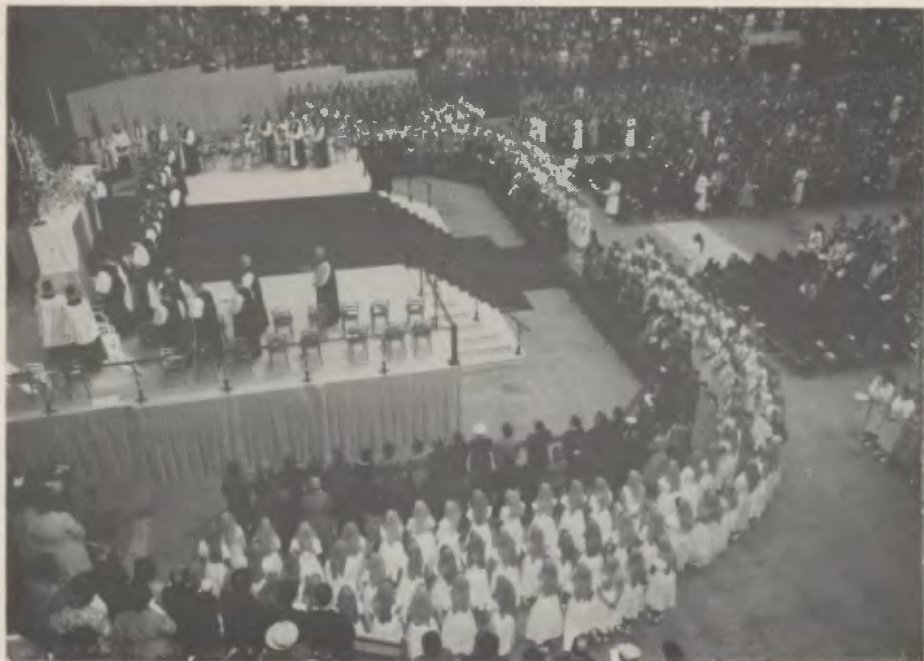
Eight thousand people were gathered in the Boston Garden on Sept. 11 for the Corporate Communion and Presentation of the United Thank Offering of the women of the Church. Often the scene of athletic events the Garden was transformed into a scene of beauty and inspiration for this occasion when thirty missionary bishops from all over the world assisted the Presiding Bishop of our church.

The offering which women all over the church had been gathering for three years was presented by representatives of each diocese. The gifts of the women of New York were placed in the historic alms basin given to the American

Church one hundred years ago by the University of Oxford by our United Thank Offering Treasurer, Mrs. John Whiteley.

The total amount of the Offering made on Sept. 11 was \$2,488,193.30 of which the women of New York contributed \$131,053.91. This amount was the largest from any diocese, which is proper, since New York reports the largest number of communicants.

These gifts representing tangibly the many thoughts and prayers of thanksgiving to God which women of the church have uttered during the past three years will be used to support and improve the work of the church at home and overseas. Provision for wo-



MISSIONARY BISHOPS about to administer the Holy Communion at the Service when the United Thank Offering was presented.

men missionaries of salaries, pensions, supplies and buildings are the basic items. Among the special items included is one for \$8000 to provide a new airplane for the Bishop of Alaska, to whom an airplane is as essential for his pastoral visits as motorcars and trains are to other bishops.

General Convention and the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary which were held in September will greatly affect the activities of the Woman's Auxiliary in this Diocese. During the month of October two important occasions are before each woman.

On Saturday, Oct. 4 at the Henry Hudson Hotel was held the Ninth Triennial Missionary Luncheon with many missionaries present as guests of the women of various parishes; the Bishop of the Diocese and Bishop Boynton greeting the group and Bishop Binsted of the Philippines and Bishop Harris of Liberia speaking.

In place of the October Diocesan meeting, three identical conferences will be held to one of which each woman will be able to go. The conferences will present the same program, but time and place are arranged to be convenient for all: for the northern section of the Diocese, October 16 at Poughkeepsie; for the evening branches, October 19 at the Cathedral; for the southern section, October 28 at the Cathedral.

Delegates who attended the Triennial will bring the news of that event and interesting group conferences on various aspects of the work will be held. All Woman's Auxiliary officers and members will find here information and inspiration for the winter's work.

St. Martin's Presents Original Play

What is believed to be the first interracial play ever to be given in a New York Episcopal Church was given September 28 at St. Martin's Episcopal Church, 230 Lenox Ave. Entitled "SARABAND FOR A SAINT", it was written by Gordon Langley Hall, director of publicity at St. Martin's.

Based on the morality plays given in European churches during the Middle Ages, it is set in a bombed Italian church during World War II. It tells the story of the meeting of a Negro soldier



Lloyd Grant and Gordon L. Hall in a scene from the modern morality play.

and a British underground agent, who find during their short friendship that there is more than one kind of prejudice in the world.

Immediately preceding the play, the rector, Dr. John H. Johnson, blessed the players. They are Lloyd Grant, Gordon Langley Hall, Dolores Moran, Wilfred Wylie, Mary Kenny, James Chaplin and Raymond Smith. Kim Andrews of New York is director; Ann Paris, assistant director; George Hall, organist at Holy Apostles Church, organist; Dr. Hayward Van Wood, technical adviser to Mr. Hall; Maureen Wetch, Lula Bryant, Cyril Robinson and Adie Parker, effects.

Informal Luncheon At Cathedral

At an informal luncheon at the residence of the Rt. Rev. Horace W. B. Donegan, D.D., Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of New York the Republican candidate for the Presidency, General Dwight D. Eisenhower, discussed with the



General Eisenhower and Bishop Donegan following the luncheon at the Cathedral Close.

Bishop many matters of national interest. Bishop Donegan stated "General Eisenhower has a deep grasp and understanding of the principles underlying the issues of the day at home and abroad". The other guests at the luncheon included the Rt. Rev. Charles F. Boynton, D.D., Suffragan Bishop of New York; the Very Rev. James A. Pike, J.S.D., Dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine.

Sunday Forums For Faculty And Graduate Students

The Rev. John W. Pyle, new Diocesan Chaplain for College Work, has announced plans for a Faculty-Graduate Forum entitled RELIGION AND INTELLECTUAL FRONTIERS, to be sponsored jointly by the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral of St. John the Di-

vine and the Commission on College Work. The first series of four lectures and discussions began October 5th and run through the month of October.

The Rev. Dr. W. Norman Pittenger spoke on "Religion and Modern Poetry" on October 5th; on October 12th, the Very Rev. W. R. Matthews, Dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, London, will present "Religion and Modern British Philosophy"; "Inverted Utopias" is the title of the address the Rev. Chad Walsh will give on October 19th; and on October 26th, the group will hear the Rev. Otis R. Rice on the subject "Religion and Mental Health". The lectures will start at 5:30 P. M. in the Cathedral House, with an informal discussion to follow. At 6:30, a fireside buffet supper will be served at a nominal charge, and those attending are invited to stay on after supper as long as they like. Informality will be a keynote of the forum-discussions, and all faculty and graduate students in the Metropolitan area are invited to attend.

Geissler Observes 75th Anniversary

R. Geissler, Inc. is celebrating its 75th anniversary in the service of the Episcopal Church with the publication of a beautifully illustrated 100 page catalog on Church furnishings. The catalog is available free to any rector, vestrymen, Altar Guild president, or any other person responsible or interested in the furnishings of his own parish church. A note to R. Geissler, Inc., 23-06 - 38th Avenue, Long Island City 1, N. Y. will bring this lovely catalog to you.

**Seabury Press Bookstore
At 281 Fourth Avenue**

The new Seabury Press bookstore is modern in every detail and is finished in bleached oak. The built-in shelf and cabinet units and display cases have the same light-colored finish. Large display windows run along two sides of the store, giving the interior a feeling of spaciousness. While the store is small in area, efficient use of space makes it possible to carry a considerable quantity of stock. At the present time, it carries all Seabury Press titles, National Council titles, Forward Movement titles, a complete line of Bibles, Prayer Books, and Hymnals, the titles in the Parish Libraries, the Children's Bookshelf, the Resource Publications, and a wide selection of religious books of other publishers.

The Seabury Press Bookstore will handle over-the-counter sales only, and forwards mail orders to The Press office in Greenwich, Connecticut, for shipping.

The new store, which was set up to serve the needs of the Episcopal Church, is a model of the small Church bookstore. It provides Church people in the vicinity of New York and those who visit the city, with a convenient place where they may examine, purchase, or order any Church-approved publication.

**School Of Worship For
Women Of The Diocese**

A School of Worship for the women of the Diocese will be held at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine on four Monday mornings,—Nov. 3, 10, 17 and 24. The program for each day includes a serv-

ice in St. James' Chapel, followed by a lecture and seminar in Cathedral House. The subjects are The Theology and Psychology of Worship, The History of Prayer Book Worship, The Intention of Morning and Evening Prayer, The Centrality of Eucharist.

**Governor Stevenson
At Resurrection**

The presidential nominee, Governor Adlai E. Stevenson, accepted the invitation of Mr. and Mrs. R. Keith Kane to attend the service



The Rev. Albert A. Chambers greets Governor Stevenson and R. Keith Kane.

at the Church of the Resurrection, 115 East 74th Street, Manhattan, on Sunday, September 21st. Mr. Kane is the junior warden of the parish.

**Ascension Begins
Anniversary**

The Church of the Ascension, Manhattan, opened the celebration of its 125th anniversary of the formal admission of the parish into the diocese at the service on October 5th. The Rector, the Rev. Roscoe Thornton Foust, announced at the service that healing services would be conducted each Wednesday at noon by the Rev. Clinton J. Kew who is now on the staff.

COMMITTEE URGES LENT PROGRAM

The Westchester Committee on Evangelism under the chairmanship of Mr. Samuel Thorne recommends that consideration be given to an early planning of the Lenten program by all parishes and missions. An unusual plan for such a program was carried on at Trinity, New Rochelle last year and certain important details are offered herewith that may be of use to parishes that may wish to conduct such programs.

THE PLAN

Under date of January 17, 1952, Reverend Philip M. Styles, Rector, mailed a "Parish Wide" letter, inviting consideration of a plan which would make available a noonday Lenten Service. The proposal service (planned to take twenty minutes) to consist of Organ Prelude, Prayer, Scripture Reading, a brief sermon by a guest clergyman and the Blessing.

The letter of proposal contained excellent reasons why such a service would be helpful, with the cooperation of a goodly number of parishioners as a working nucleus. A reply postcard was enclosed for comment, on which writer could indicate desire for coffee and sandwich luncheon at a popular price.

This preliminary proposal was supplemented by announcements as to "progress" in the weekly Church leaflet, as well as public announcements by the Rector, as seemed required. Each week a leaflet was mailed to the entire parish outlining the program for the coming week and naming a preacher.

(2) Response to Proposal:

There were 234 replies received; of that number 187 persons said

that they would attend at least one such service each week and encourage their friends to accompany them. Some said that they expected to attend more than one service a week; 47 expressed approval, and although unable to attend promised to tell their friends about the services and to encourage community-wide attendance.

A tabulation of replies to February 5th follows:

14	promised to attend	Monday	2	want lunch
51	"	"	"	"
35	"	"	"	"
56	"	"	"	"
22	"	"	"	"
47	will help advertise the services but cannot attend.			
40	will attend during the week but cannot specify what day.			

(3) Acceptance of plan announced, and publicity:

The Rector sent a well prepared letter on February 7th to all who replied to the proposal, attaching an alphabetical list of those who responded and a list of clergymen scheduled to speak. A separate "mailing" again went to all parishioners requesting their support. That letter also listed the days of the proposed services and the speakers.

Four large attractive billboards were displayed in strategic locations, throughout the entire period, announcing the program and inviting the general public to services.

The New Rochelle, Standard Star, (daily paper) on February 27th commented editorially on the program, recommending the services to the general public.

THE RESULTS

Approximately 3250 persons attended the thirty three services held from Ash Wednesday to Good Friday. This latter service which climaxed the series was attended

by 1250 people between the hours of noon and three p.m.

It was encouraging to note that attendance did not primarily consist of the regular Church goers.

Advance publicity was of extreme importance in the success of the program.

No offerings were taken but alms basins were placed in the rear of the Church.

Fall Convocation Meetings Feature Missionaries

The seven Fall Convocation meetings of the Diocese were completed on October 9th with the final meeting being held in St. Paul's Parish, Spring Valley, Ramapo Convocation. Each meeting was unusually well attended and the featured speakers in each meeting were missionary bishops or priests returning from General Convention. Bishop Harris of Liberia addressed the delegates of the Convocations of the Hudson and the Bronx. Fr. Appel, Dean of the Holy Trinity Cathedral at Alegre, Brazil and Bishop Melcher of Brazil spoke to the Convocations of Richmond and Manhattan respectively. The Rev. Plino Simoes of the Philippines presented the missionary cause to the Ramapo Convocation. The Most Rev. Michael Hinsuke Yashiro, Presiding Bishop of the Holy Catholic Church in Japan captured the hearts and imaginations of the more than two hundred who attended the Westchester convocation. Rev. Plino Simoes and Fr. Albert Masferre presented the missionary cause to the Ramapo and Dutchess Convocations.

Bishop Donegan met with the Convocations of Manhattan, the

Bronx and Dutchess and highlighted the important decisions made by General Convention. More especially he emphasized in no uncertain terms the necessity for every communicant to take the implementing of the Church's program most seriously this year to guarantee the Church will have the necessary means to carry out the program it has unanimously established for itself. Bishop Boynton attended the remaining four meetings and in his addresses stressed most vividly the fact that meeting and surpassing quotas was an imperative if the Church was to move forward and fulfill its obligations in this Diocese. W. Ted Gannaway Secretary of the Program of the Church addressed all meetings on the subject of the abolishment of the quota-like regard with which the annual "expectations" are held.

Royster Ordained Priest In Solemn Ceremony

"Bob" Royster, former chairman of the Laymen's Field Officers of the Richmond Convocation who left that work to become a priest of the Church was ordained by the Rt. Rev. Reginald Mallett D.D., Bishop of the Diocese of Northern Indiana in solemn ceremonies, September 27th in St. Paul's Church, La Porte, Indiana.

Fr. Royster left an important job with the Port Authority of New York to begin his studies at the seminary and said that one of the principle reasons for his decision was the insight into the Church's needs and opportunities gained while serving as a lay worker in the laymen's movement in this diocese.

COMMUNISM: A JUDGMENT UPON US

by James A. Pike, D. D.

Excerpts from a General Convention Address

Christians cannot view any historical movement, however demonic, simply as something to be opposed. The Bible reminds us that even "the Assyrians are the rod of God," and we must in humility bring ourselves under judgment at the same time as we judge the Communist movement as hostile to Christianity.

We gain a clue to the meaning of Marxism for us when we remember that Marx was a pious Jew who in turn became a Lutheran and a secularist. From his Judaism he gained the concept that history has meaning and the messianic hope of a righteous society; in the Lutheranism of his day he saw a Christianity doctrinally committed to political inaction and "at ease in Zion". Knowing no other kind of Christianity, he turned to an earth bounded materialism as the best possibility for the achievement of the ideal social order.

So the Marxist movement judges us in two ways: First, it exposes our laxness in pursuing the Christian task of bringing about a righteous society.

Second, Communism being the working secularism of Western man, pushed to its logical limits, it should make us very uneasy about the actual materialism and earth-boundedness by which so many of us in fact live—in spite of our professions to the contrary.

This emphasis on self-criticism is not intended to weaken our opposition to Communism. In fact we will be better equipped to op-

pose it if we have cleansed ourselves and clarified our Christian objectives.

Church Congress Elects New President

The Very Rev. James A. Pike was unanimously elected new president of the Church Congress at its dinner held in Boston. Dean Pike, who is the former Chaplain and Chairman of the Department of Religion at Columbia University, is now Dean of the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City. For the past five years, the Rev. Theodore P. Ferris, Rector of Trinity Church in Boston, has presided over the Church Congress. The Congress is a national organization of clergy and lay people who wish to promote intelligent discussion of vital issues facing Christians in the world today. The group is non-partisan, and attempts to set forth the various points of view which are found within the Church. In describing the future of the Church Congress, which has already been active for eighty years, Dean Pike expressed the hope that leadership would be developed on a broader national basis, and that types of questions affecting many segments of the Church population would become topics of discussion. In the recent past two conferences have been held under the auspices of the Church Congress, one at Princeton, New Jersey, and one at Seabury House, Greenwich, Conn.

NEWS FROM THE CONVOCATIONS

BRONX

At CHRIST CHURCH, *Riverdale*, Mr. Allen Dennison has been appointed Director of Religious Education. Because of the increased enrolment the Church School has been set up on a two session basis. . . On Friday evenings and Saturday mornings the Riverdale Synagogue, whose congregation has been "dispossessed" will use the facilities of Christ Church parish house.

The Reverend Steele Martin, Fellow and Tutor of the General Seminary, is serving as Priest-in-charge of the CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, pending the election of a new Rector.

SAINT MARGARET'S CHURCH has instituted a monthly Family Evening of social, educational, and parish planning activities; has organized a chapter of the Girl's Friendly, a Cub Scout troop, and Released Time School. All members of this week-day school are required to be present with their families for Sunday Worship. Church going at St. Margaret's now begins at two years of age! Fr. Stewart has asked all men of the parish who take seriously the words of the Prayer of Consecration, "and here we offer and present unto Thee ourselves", to volunteer their assistance in making the many repairs and improvements which are necessary immediately.

When the organist of SAINT PAUL'S, *Morrisania*, was married recently at the Church, the whole parish was invited to the nuptial celebration of the Holy Communion. Fr. Brown and Fr. Roberts assisted Fr. Davies, and those who were invited came "without excuse".

SAINT PETER'S *Westchester*, observed the 250th anniversary of the setting apart of the Parish, on the Feast of Saint Matthew. The foundation day

was Sept. 21, 1693, and the Rev. John Bartow came as first Rector just 250 years ago this coming November.

The Annual Fall Meeting of the CONVOCATION was held at ST. PETER'S on Thursday, September 25. Bishop Donegan presided at Evensong, and Bishop Harris of Liberia was the principal speaker.

ST. MARGARET'S also wishes to announce that 16mm projector is available for rental through arrangement with the Vicar. —Leslie J. A. Lang

HUDSON

Early in August ST. JOHN'S, *Kingston* celebrated the 120th anniversary of the parish. TRINITY CHURCH, *Saugerties*, topped all previous records both in attendance and financial returns at their fair in August. Net returns: \$2,134.50. ST. ANDREW'S, *Walden* and the Convocation has suffered a great loss in the sudden death of Mr. Walter E. Byrnes. A consecrated layman, in addition to his work in St. Andrew's he was also one of the Field Officers from this Convocation and lay representative to the Board of Managers. The Rev. G. M. Brewin of Cornwall died on September 6. Since his retirement as rector of Grace Church, Toledo, Ohio, Father Brewin has assisted at the Church of the GOOD SHEPHERD, *Newburgh* and for several months was in charge of ST. LUKE'S, *Haverstraw*. A requiem was held at the Church of the Good Shepherd with the rector, the Rev. George M. Jones as celebrant. Several of the clergy of the Convocation were present. Burial took place in Toledo. The Rev. William E. Ridgeway, assistant of ST. GEORGE'S CHURCH, *Newburgh*, will assume the Rectorship of ST. PETER'S CHURCH, *Peekskill*, October the twelfth, succeeding the Rev. Raymond O'Brien. Father Ridge-


way came to St. George's in the early summer of 1948 to be director of youth activities and religious education. Upon the death of the Rev. O. Roy Greene, who was then choirmaster and organist, he assumed these additional duties. In 1949, he began to study for Holy Orders, and was ordained to the Priesthood June 10, 1951, by the Rt. Rev. Horace W. B. Donegan, D. D. Father Ridgeway is known to hundreds of children throughout the city of Newburgh and the Diocese as the Director of Camp St. George, Parkville, N. Y.

During World War II, he was attached to the Medical Detachment of the Army as Supervisor of Radiological Technique at Camp Davis. Earlier in his career, Father Ridgeway was assistant organist and Superintendent of the Church School at St. Barnabas Church, Hudson, and organist and choirmaster at St. John's Church, Wilmington, N. C.

Father and Mrs. Ridgeway have two sons.
—Peter W. O. Hill

MANHATTAN

Summer is usually a quiet time for the Manhattan parishes. The services go on but without the bustle and at a more leisurely pace than is the case in the other seasons of the year. Guest preachers are in most of the pulpits. Among those who were in Manhattan during the summer were the Right Reverend C. K. Jacob, a Bishop of the Church of South India at SAINT JAMES CHURCH, *Madison Avenue*, and the Reverend Alexander Gemmell, minister of Nairn High Church in Scotland at SAINT



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SAINT MARY'S CHURCH,
Manhattanville saw a busy Saturday afternoon in June when there were three large weddings in the Church and many pictures taken afterward on the Rectory lawn. The Reverend Charles Breck Ackley, S. T. D., the Rector, reports that to have three weddings all in one afternoon was a record for his Parish.

All friends of social work and of the late Mrs. Mary Simkhovitch will be pleased to learn that the Vicar and people of SAINT LUKE'S CHAPEL, Trinity Parish, *Hudson Street* plan to plant a tree in her memory in front of the parish house sometime during October.

SAINT AMBROSE CHURCH,
West 130th Street was urging its people to help the drive for funds for the installation of a new heating system. A worthy project indeed, but one which must have taken a great deal of imagination to bring to peoples' attention in the midst of the summer heat wave.

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The Rev. George A. Butterick, Pastor of the Madison Avenue Presbyterian Church, and The Rev. Arthur Lee Kinsolving, Rector of St. James' Episcopal Church, have announced their common sponsorship of a fall series of lectures by prominent Christian laymen.

The general theme of this Tuesday evening series is "Christendom Can Again Make History in a Hostile World".

The series opens on October 21st with *Dr. George Van Sarwoord*, Headmaster of the Hotchkiss School, Lakeville, Conn., speaking on "Disastrous Consequences of an Indifferent Christianity". The second lecture will be given on October 28th by *Dr. Theodore M. Greene*, Professor of Philosophy and Master of Silliman College at Yale University, on the subject "Re-thinking Our Theology".

SAINT PAUL'S CHAPEL, Trinity Parish, will celebrate its one hundred and eighty-sixth birthday on October 30. There will be special choral and instrumental music for the Anniversary, and the Rector, Rev. John Heuss, will visit the Chapel, and preach. —James Morgan

WESTCHESTER

Gove B. Harrington, organist and choirmaster of St. Luke's Church, Katonah, has successfully passed the Choir Master Examination of the American Guild of Organists, and has been awarded the designation "Ch. M." (Choirmaster). This is an unusual honor for



the volunteer director of a mission choir, as it is usually awarded only to full-time professional choirmasters.

Under Mr. Harrington's leadership, the junior and senior choirs of St. Luke's have become known throughout northern Westchester for their high quality. Mr. Harrington has also gained a wide measure of recognition as an organ recitalist and music critic.

Robert Huntington Terry completed sixty-six years of service as organist and choirmaster when he arose from his seat



at the organ of St. Andrews Memorial Church, Yonkers on August 31st. He began his long and faithful tour of duty at the old St. Chrysostom's Parish under

the rectorship of the Rev. Thomas Sill in 1885 and served two more parishes: Church of the Redeemer, on West 136th Street, New York which was closed in 1914 and finally his present post at St. Andrews. The Bulletin offers congratulations to musician Terry and expresses to him the gratitude of the thousands who have enjoyed his music throughout the years.

Plans for the "Harvest Fair" to be held on November 12th and 13th at ST. THOMAS CHURCH, *Mamaroneck*, are well on the way to a fine state of organization under the capable chairmanship of Mrs. Harvey DuBois of St. Margaret's Chapter according to an announcement by the Rector in the latest issue of "The Tower".

The Rev. Fenimore Cooper, rector of TRINITY CHURCH, *Mt. Vernon*, has been spending the summer touring England with his family. In his interesting letters to his parishioners, he gives a very vivid account of his visits to the cathedral country and to many old English Churches.

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At CHRIST CHURCH, *Bronxville*, they discontinued the 11:00 a.m. and the 9:00 a.m. service and held a combined service at 10:00 a.m. during the summer months. The emphasis at this service was placed upon congregational participation with special attention to the singing.

A good deal of interest was aroused recently in Getty's Square, Yonkers, when the workman on ST. JOHN'S CHURCH removed four iron crosses from the church building. These crosses were seven feet high and they had to be handled carefully because they are rigidly cast in a scroll pattern and will not bend. The crosses were removed in order that they might have gold leaf applied to them. This is a part of the renovation program of the 200 year old parish.

The children of the Church School of TRINITY CHURCH, *Ossining*, have been busy attempting to build a MILE OF PENNIES. Each child was given an envelope in which to deposit the pennies and they will be counted on the opening Sunday.

A news release of the National Council made the following statement concerning GRACE CHURCH, *White Plains*:

"Cooperation between the parish and the press was illustrated recently in White Plains, New York, when the managing editor of the local newspaper met with the staff of the Episcopal parish paper to help them work out a more effective public relations program. The newspaper man was Benjamin H. Carroll, Managing Editor of the White Plains Reporter Dispatch, who had received a letter from the rector of Grace Church in that community, the REV. ALFRED C. ARNOLD, asking for his comments and suggestions on his church's publicity program. This letter prompted not only a lengthy answer from Mr. Carroll, but also an offer to meet with the staff on the ANGELUS, Grace Church's monthly paper. At this meeting the staff heard

a trained newspaperman's viewpoint on the parish publicity setup, and benefited from his specific suggestion on how to make their paper more interesting and 'alive'." —Kenneth C. Ackerman

DUTCHESS

The Rectors of the four *Poughkeepsie* parishes; CHRIST, HOLY COMFORTER, ST. PAUL'S and ST. ANDREW'S published before *Whitsuntide* a common statement in the local paper, regarding the significance of the day and urging church attendance. They propose, by quarterly consideration of mutual problems, to make evident the unity of the Episcopal Church in the city.

The attractive weekly bulletin of GRACE CHURCH, *Millbrook*, directs the attention of the congregation each week to two different outstanding pieces of available literature.

ZION CHURCH, *Wappingers Falls*, had its seventh year of perfect weather for the Saturday after Labor Day Harvest Fair. By spreading fourteen attractions around Zion park in the heart of town, they made nearly \$2000 in one afternoon. The parish has sent a new Missal Stand to Church of the Ascension, *Ontonagon, Mich.*

A special effort to have church school pupils attend summer services, by providing attendance cards and awards, was made by ST. ANDREW'S, *Poughkeepsie*, ZION, *Wappingers Falls*, and MESSIAH, *Rhinebeck*. ST. PAUL'S, *Poughkeepsie*, continued special services for young people at the same hour after Church School closed. ST. PAUL'S AND TRINITY, *Tivoli*, bases its selection of Christmas pageant cast and presentation of Christmas gifts on Church School attendance.

New pew edition hymnals were dedicated recently at CHRIST CHURCH, *Red Hook*, as a memorial to Deaconess Amy Greer Thompson. Clergy and choir copies were blessed as memorials to Harry Buckland Hart.

Plans have been completed for the erection of a \$35,000 parish house at MESSIAH, *Rhinebeck*. The new building will be placed parallel to the church and fifty feet away in compliance with insurance regulations.

What seems to us a very excellent custom and worthy of imitation in other parishes has been instituted in ASCENSION CHURCH, *West Park*, by their Rector, the Rev. Harold C. Swezy. Following the custom of the Cathedral to remember a particular parish or mission of the Diocese each Sunday, Fr. Swezy, has assigned a particular Sunday to each family in his parish as their "Family Day." On this day the Holy Eucharist is offered with special intention for God's Blessing upon each member of that family and special prayers are said on their behalf. During the week Fr. Swezy calls on the family to be remembered on the following Sunday to remind them that the next Sunday is their "Family Day" and to urge them all to attend service in a group.

The practice is meeting with much success and Fr. Swezy says he feels that it is doing much to bring all members of the parish into a closer relationship in the larger family of God.

—J. Jack Sharkey

RAMAPO

The Rev. Ernest W. Churchill, dean of Ramapo, and rector of ST. STEPHEN'S, *Pearl River*, is able to do a fairly large amount of parish work, after twelve months of illness.

ST. JOHN'S, *Goshen*, lays emphasis upon the choir, of which the Rev. Edwin R. Smythe, rector is musical leader. A prayer group meets once a week all

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ST. PAUL'S *Spring Valley*, is housing classes of public school children for the third successive year; looks forward to being host of Convocation; has a vicar, The Rev. Gustave A. Zeltner, who makes the churchyard a beauty-spot, with flowers and small fruits, vegetables and trees.

In CHRIST CHURCH, *Warwick*, the parish house kitchen was remodelled and modernized, rectory and main meeting room of parish house were painted during the summer. On September 14th a special service was held for the board of education, officials and teachers of the Warwick school system. In August the annual fair netted \$6.00 a minute, \$900 total. Church attendance for July and August: 99 (average).

The Rev. Wendell W. Phillips, rector of CHRIST CHURCH, *Rye*, preached in Nyack, at baccalaureate exercises in the high school. Authors in GRACE CHURCH, *Nyack*, are invited to compose letters on "The Happiest of Sundays." The rector, Rev. Harold B. Thelin, will give a prize.

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gan using the new parish house for the children the first Sunday in September; 110 scholars enrolled. Teacher training is planned for the Tuesday evenings in October.

Carolyn J. Nichols and John Simonds were elected by the young people of the Diocese to attend the National Youth Convention in Boston, during General Convention. The Rev. Lemuel J. Winterbottom drove them to Tufts College, Medford, Massachusetts, where the youth had six lively days. Both the young people live in Ramapo convocation,—Carolyn sings in the senior choir in CHRIST CHURCH, Suffern; John is a member of GRACE CHURCH, Nyack.

Willard R. Seymour, lay reader for ST. FRANCIS' CHAPEL, Sloatsburg; the Rev. George W. Dumbell, rector of ST. DAVID'S, Highland Mills, and the Rev. Robert C. W. Ward, rector of ST. JOHN'S, Cornwall, ministered to the non-Roman and Christian population in the Palisade Inter-state Park all summer, conducting Sunday services for campers and counselors that were attended by large crowds. The

Rev. Mr. Dumbell has done this work for 32 years. The work is sponsored by the Diocesan Missionary and Church Extension Society.

—Fessenden A. Nichols

RICHMOND

Mrs. Thos. Chisholm of Christ Church and Mrs. Dobson of St. John's attended the Finger Lakes Conference in June at Hobart & William Smith Colleges.

The Fall meeting of the evening groups will be held October 15 at St. Paul's with Dr. Wm. Dennis of Church Missions House as speaker.

The Fall District Conference will be held October 30 at St. Andrew's, when The Rt. Rev. B. W. Harris D. D., Bishop of Liberia, will address the meeting.

Girl's Friendly report 12 S. I. girls at camp this summer.

ASCENSION, West Brighton. The Rev. Raymond G. Rogers. Ascension Day School, started under the Rectorship of The Rev. C. Avery Mason, now Bishop of Dallas, is entering its 21st year with a full complement of pupils, 63, kindergarten through 6th grade. Fr. Rogers, headmaster and chaplain, assisted

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CHRIST CHURCH, New Brighton. The Rev. Andrew C. Long. The Rev. Donald Hood, a member of this Parish, was ordained to the Diaconate on Trinity Sunday, having been presented to the Bishop by the Rector.

The delegates to the Special Diocesan Convention will be the Rector and Messrs Johnson, Carroll and Jurgesen.

The Sexton and his wife are responsible for the fine condition of the grounds and the repainting of the Parish House Hall.

ST. ALBANS, Eltingville. The Rev. Donald S. Cheatham. The Altar Guild gave a tea September 14, when a display of Altar vessels and vestments were arranged. A musical program was presented with Mrs. J. Samec and Mrs. Alice Leish as soloists, and selections by the new women's sextette. The program was under direction of Mr. Wm. Clark, organist. Mrs. D. J. Weare was chairman.

The Altar Guild has prepared for sale a cook book, containing favorite recipes of the ladies of the Parish.

The men had a get together to complete the painting of the Church building.

ST. MARY'S, Castleton. The Rev. George E. Nichols. The Rector invited the men and boys to a Communion-breakfast on September 14, there was a very encouraging response, 60 being present, some still being on holiday. The ladies of the Guild and W. A. under the direction of Mrs. Ralph W. Tyler, kindly

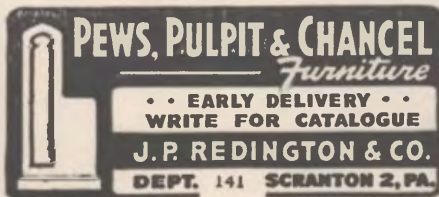
served the meal.

ST. PAUL'S, Stapleton. On September 29th Bishop Boynton instituted The Rev. Robert B. Cope Jr., as Rector of this Parish.

On July 20 the old chapter of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew was revived at St. Stephen's Church, Tottenville, Staten Island. Mr. Robert E. Heintz, president of the New York Assembly, was present at the morning service in which the new members of the chapter were received and took their pledge of Prayer and Service. Mr. Heintz also spoke to the congregation and told them what the Brotherhood stood for and how it could help the spiritual life of any parish.
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