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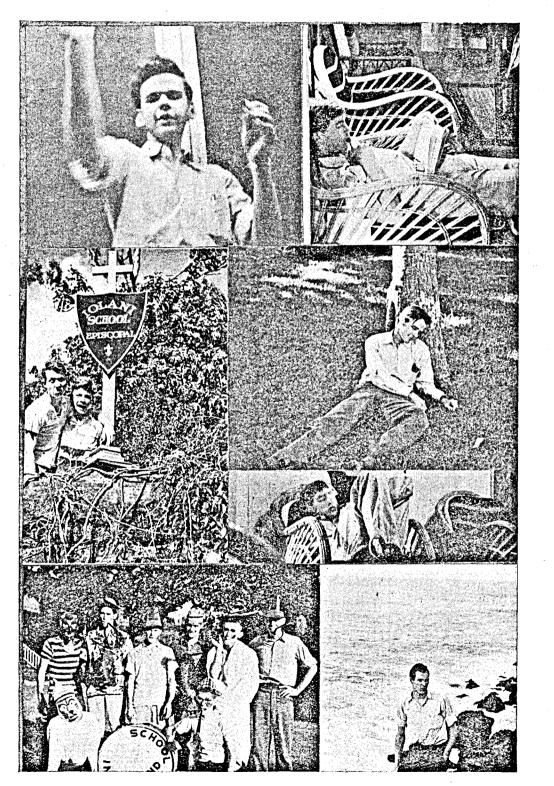
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STATEMENT CONCERNING THE HAWAIIAN CHURCH CHRONICLE HOW IT CAN "PAY FOR ITSELF"

By THE BISHOP

The purpose of this paper is first of all to be a mouthpiece of your Bishop, in regard to plans and policies, opportunities and needs in our own Diocesan field; and secondly, to be a means of telling news of the wide-spread interests and achievements of the Holy Church throughout all the world. It will also be a means of bringing us in closer touch with one another throughout the Islands: especially, of keeping contact with those who live in lonely rural places, as well as with those whom sickness or other causes prevent from attending the Church's worship and meetings regularly. With these ends in view, the "Chronicle" will not aim to be a business venture. It will 'pay for itself" abundantly, regardless of financial income, if it deepens devotion to our Lord and Saviour; if it results in more intelligent understanding of the problems before the Church these days; and in more faithful use of his manifold gifts of grace as we strive to make our Father's will be done on earth as it is in Heaven.

Let us all be at least as ready to spread the "Good News" as we are to pass on other kinds of interesting information and newsy topics which come to our ears. The "Chronicle" will be one way of helping us approach one another on Church matters, and of enabling us to speak more readily and naturally together of "the things pertaining to the Kingdom of God."

The Purpose and Policy of the Chronicle

At a special meeting of men called to consider the financial condition and general policy of this paper, the above statement, prepared by the Bishop, was read and cordially approved. The meeting, followed a former conference at which Canon Brown presided, to discuss the whole problem of placing the Chronicle upon a firm financial basis, as well as the editorial policy of the paper. Present at one or both of these meetings were the Editors, and the Rev. Canons Kenneth Bray and Edward Pennell, Jr., and Messrs. Rowland Shepardson, Chester Frowe, and Edouard R. L. Doty.

The acute problem of a deficit exceeding \$1,000 was the subject of immediate importance. With the change in ownership of the printing house which has printed the paper for a number of years, it was necessary to meet our liabilities to that firm, amounting to \$614.38, immediately. It was a cause of deep satisfaction that, between the two meetings of the group, means had been found to meet this part of our obligation in full, which reduced our accumulated deficit by twothirds. From an unanticipated source, we received \$364.56 ,and from a contribution by an individual not residing in Honolulu, we paid the balance, \$249.82.

A careful study of the finances of the Chronicle for the past five years, as presented annually to Convocation, reveals the fact that the large deficit has accumulated by an annual shortage amounting, on average, to \$200. Convocation this year voted an assessment upon parishes and missions of \$200 to make up this shortage, and to avoid further deficit. Now that the heaviest part of the financial burden has been relieved, we shall make every effort to carry on the Chronicle, not entirely as a business venture, but as a medium of information regarding the Church at home and abroad, and to do so with the intention of preventing further debt.

It will be noted that the number of pages has been reduced. The number of copies printed each month is 1600. In regard to the general editorial policy, it was felt that the improvements suggested by the Committee are well covered by the statement of the Bishop as presented above.

You can borrow trouble any time without putting up collateral.



As we go to press, we welcome M_{r} . Nakamura on his return to the Islands after three years of theological study at Seabury-Western Seminary, Evanston, Illinois. Mr. Nakmura was graduated on the 6th of June with the coveted degree of S.T.B., Bachelor of Sacred Theology. At the Bishop's request, the Board of Examining Chaplains of the diocese of Chicago conducted Mr. Nakamura's canonical examinations for the diaconate and the priesthood, and has reported that he passed very creditably in both examinations. Soon after his arrival in Honolulu, the time and place for his ordination as Deacon will be determined and announced. It is more than likely to be toward the end of July, in the Cathedral. Mr. Nakamura will be appointed assistant to the Rev. P. T. Fukao at Holy Trinity Church, Honolulu. Your prayers for him as he starts with his new duties and responsibilities in the ministry are earnestly desired.

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CALENDAR

July 4—Independence Day July 7-7th Sunday after Trinity July 14—8th Sunday after Trinity July 21—9th Sunday after Trinity July 25—S. James July 28—10th Sunday after Trinity August 4—11th Sunday after Trinity August 6—Transfiguration

THE REV. YIN SANG MARK'S **ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY**

We congratulate the vicar of St. Peter's, Honolulu, on the completion of thirty years in the priesthood. Ordained Deacon by Bishop William F. Nichols of California (the representative of the American Church who received officially the transfer of the Church of England Mission in Hawaii in 1902) at St. Matthew's, San Mateo, on June 2nd, 1909, Canon Mark was ordained Priest in St. Mary's Pro-Cathedral, Auckland, New Zealand, by Bishop Williams of Waiapu on May 22nd, 1910.

Bishop Willis, second bishop of Honolulu, following the transfer of the Church work in Hawaii to American jurisdiction, departed to the South Seas and started a Mission in Tonga (Friendly Islands). He took with him as student assistant Mr. Mark. Except for a period of study at the Divinity School of the Pacific in San Francisco, Mr. Mark labored for 26 years in Tonga, until he was called to St. Peter's by Bishop LaMothe in 1928. His last achievement in that primitive mission field was the securing of funds and the erection of St. Paul's Church in memory of Bishop Willis, which stands now in Nukualofa.

Last year Mr. Mark was elected Canon of St. Andrew's Cathedral, Honolulu. HONOLULU, HAWAII, JULY, 1940

Dedication of Additional Buildings At Shingle Memorial Hospital

Generous Gift of the William G. Irwin **Charity Foundation**

On June 3rd, in the presence of a large assemblage of Molokai residents, the new buildings of the Shingle Memorial Hospital at Hoolehua were dedicated and opened for inspection. These additions are due to the interest and generosity of Mr. and Mrs. Paul I Fagan, through whom the gift was made. Hospital nurses and friends acted as guides showing the visitors who came from all parts of the island, through the new ward with its private and isolation rooms; the new house for the male assistants, with its separate bedrooms and general recreation hall; the guest cottage placed in a grove of evergreens on the hllside above the hospial; the laboratory equipped in the most modern manner, perhaps second to none in the Territory; the enlarged facilities in the operating department; special delivery rooms next to the maternity ward; the new dinng room for the nurses; a modern morgue; and the sheltered lanai to which patients may be brought in wheel chairs to enjoy the complete little quadrangle with its well developed garden and lily pond.

The new driveway to the Hospital, built by the County of Maui, leads into the hospital grounds, which have been landscaped to form a real park, under the skilful direction of Mrs. Gwendoline Shaw, the superintendent. Visitors expressed great surprise at the expansion

We congratulate Canon Mark on his anniversaries, and thank God for the many years of devoted and fruitful service for Christ and His Church.

of this medical center. A contributing factor in its growth is the public ambulance presented by Mr. Fagan to the County of Maui for use on Molokai. This serves not only as a carrier for emergency use, but also is arranged to be used as a bus to convey patients to and from clinics. It has thus greatly enlarged public health services.

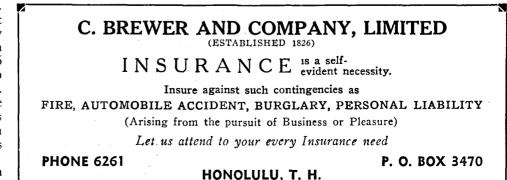
Wide-Spread Interest

The number of persons assisting in equipping and beautifying the buildings is large. They are not only residents of Molokai and interested frends on other islands, particularly in Honolulu, but also in many places on the mainland where churches and guilds have sent large gifts of hospital supplies. A particularly important local committee is headed by Mr. George P. Cooke, which has assisted greatly in the planning and construction of the new buildings, and in the purchase of laboratory supplies. This group, known as the Molokai Health Committee, consists of Mr. Cooke, chairman; Dr. Homer Benson, Mrs. Gwendoline Shaw, and Mr. Wavne Stewart.

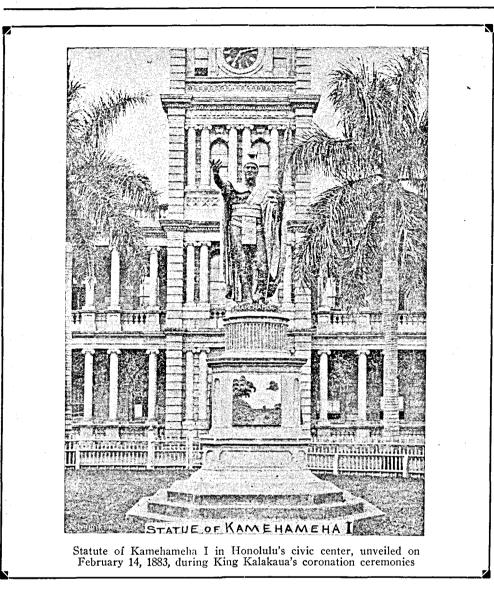
June Third; A Great Day

The day's observances began with a celebration of the Holy Communion in Holy Cross Chapel, the Bishop officiating. Members of the Board of Managers. and of the hospital staff assisted.

At the afternoon public meeting of dedication in front of an open pavilion built for the entertainment of visitors who come from a distance to visit patients, the generous gifts and widespread interest in the hospital were mentioned with full appreciation. Bishop Littell presided, having been accompanied to Molokai by members of the Board of Mangers and



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other friends from Honolulu, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Amalu, and Mrs. W. R. Coombs. It will be remembered that nine years ago Mrs. Amalu and the late Senator Shingle gave the first buildings to the hospital in memory of their son Robert W. Shingle, Jr.

Who Participated in the Program

After a general statement by the chairman of the work of the hospital, and its growing usefulness to the communities on Molokai, the Rev. Edward Paaluhi offered prayer and made an address in Hawaiian. Appropriate songs by the L. D. S. choir were rendered beutifully. A short address by Mr. Charles Meyer, official representative of the Hawaiian



Homes Commission on Molokai, and a resume of the work for the hospital of the Molokai Health Committee by Mr. George P. Cooke completed the formal program. Then followed the inspection of the new additions to the Hospital, after which the audience re-assembled on the lawn for music, hulas, and generous refreshments.

Ernest Uu and his orchestra played, and accompanied the dancers, who were: Pearl Kaai, Hilda Yamamoto, Hannah Will, Incarnation Rabe, and Keoko Okazaki. A perfect afternoon contributed to the friendliness of an occassion which added further evidence that Molokai is well named "The Friendly Isle."

BIRTHDAY OF KING KAMEHAMEHA I OBSERVED ON JUNE 11th

While the exact date of the king's birth —year, month and day—have not definitely been traced, we know that he lived to a good old age, and died on December 16, 1835. He united the separate kingdoms into one, having conquered most of the main islands by 1795, and secured the others by cession in 1810. By general consent, June 11th is observed each year as his birthday, and this year the usual colorful pageants, characteristic processions and formal ceremonies were held on that day, which is an official holiday throughout the Territory.

HONOLULU-BORN CHRISTIANS ACTIVE IN FORMING CHURCH FOR REFUGEES IN CHINA

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Mrs. Everard P. Miller, who visited Hawaii in February with her husband, writes from Haiphong, French Indo-China:

"Have you heard about the splendid mandarin-speaking congregation that worships in one of the Kowloon churches? (Kowloon is a part of Hongkong, on the mainland on long lease). It started with a group from our diocese of Hankow, among them the Hsus and the Kongs (Mr. S. T. Kong is brother of the late Canon Kong of St. Peter's, Honolulu). You will especially be interested to know that Andrew Zane (from Honolulu) has also been a prime mover. Until very recently, the congregation had had no clergy help at all, but now the Kongs' son Raymond has been ordained deacon, and temporarily at least will be a focus for the loose organization. The services attract all sorts of mandarin-speaking Christians, but it is distinctly Seng Kung Hui in doctrine, using our prayer-book, etc. The same sort of movement is going on all over Free China. . . .

In the meantime, Hsichow (where



THE LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY FORT WAYNE INDIANA EDUCATIONAL — INCOME — PROTECTION THEO. H. DAVIES & COMPANY, LIMITED TERRITORIAL AGENTS Central China College of Wuchang under Dr. Francis Wei is located temporarily) still seems an ever-receding, ever-beckoning mirage. At present it is very difficult to secure transportation west from Kunming. At any rate we ought to be in Hsichow in time for the fall semester! It's a shame, as we are badly needed. One class at least has no teacher at all. Our real adventures will begin when we leave Hanoi."

A NOBLE MISSIONARY, STATESMAN-BISHOP AND HERO

Fifty-nine years of gallant service to China and to the Chinese Church closed with the death of Frederick Rogers Graves in Shanghai on May 17. Native of Auburn, N. Y., and graduate of Hobart College, he was graduated from the General Theological Seminary, New York in 1881.

Twelve years later he became fifth bishop of Shanghai, a jurisdiction then including the great sweep of the Yangtze Valley, now divided into three dioceses. Active in that office for 44 years, he saw the Chinese Church organized, with 20 bishops, of whom eight are Chinese, and hundreds of native priests and deacons; and he became its first presiding bishop. At his retirement in 1937 he was the senior active bishop in the whole Anglican Communion.

Some of His Experiences

Tremendous changes have occurred in China in the past 60 years. Bishop Graves not only lived through them, but did so much to make the power of the Church felt that an Archbishop of Canterbury called him the statesman-bishop of the Orient. The China-Japan war of the 90's, the Empress Dowager's regime, Boxer Rebellion, revolution, civil war, World War, the present turmoil, together with disasters of flood, drought and famine, all went to make up the story. It was quite in keeping that he consecrated his successor in Shanghai to the sound of bombing-planes overhead and in sight of the burning city, and then, instead of seeking safety in a quiet land, he stayed in the midst of all China's heartbreaking troubles until the end.-Epics.

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OUR DIOCESAN SCHOOL COMMENCEMENTS

The Priory

Following the annual united graduation service in the Cathedral on June 2nd, the commencement exercises of the schools were held separately. On June 5th, 31 girls of St. Andrew's Priory received diplomas. The ceremony was held in Tenney Memorial Hall of the Cathedral, which proved far too small for the families and friends of the graduates, who The Priory chorus sang at attended. intervals throughout the program, and was at its best when singing the song, Kaleleonalani, composed by Queen Emma, during which the entire assemblage stood. The salutatory address was given by Shirley Wong; and Aileen Spillner was valedictorian. The invited speaker of the evening was Canon William Ault. Strangely enough, all three addresses were of an historical nature, dealing with the Church, the school, and certain incidents in the life of the Hawaiian people.

The Priory was not content with this occasion, as it ended the school year. Just a month before, the girls presented for Lei Day the most effective and ambitious and beautiful pageant in its history. Among all the events of our colorful Lei Day Celebrations in Honolulu, this occasion at the Priory, when once again the Memorial Hall was taxed beyond its capacity, stood out as one of the most characteristic and intelligent.

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Iolani school graduated the largest class in its history at 78th commencement exercises on June 6. Thirty-six seniors and about 50 members of the eighth grade were awarded diplomas.

Dr. David L. Crawford, president of the University of Hawaii, was the main speaker, on "Crises." Commenting on life as a series of crises, Dr. Crawford



said that great crises result from little decisions. While the immediate future of the graduates is divided into two general branches, one leading to higher learning and the other to a job, Dr. Crawford pointed out that education and employment will eventually overlap and unite.

'How shall we recognize the seemingly unimportant decisions?' asked Dr. Crawford. 'The only answer I can give is that you keep your eyes always on the goal, and try to work in that direction.'

The program started with the invocation, and greeting by Bishop Littell. The Rev. Albert H. Stone, headmaster, responded.

Robert Hite, class president, made the salutatory address. Irwin Wolter delivered the valedictory address. He emphasized the importance of student government as a strong stepping stone to better citizenship. "More dangerous than communists and fascists is the ignorance and indifference of many people to the true appreciation of American democracy," he said.

Wolter was awarded a gold medal for maintaining the highest scholastic standing in his class. The Episcopal Academy Philadelphia award to the outstanding "all-around" student was presented to Walter Chang on the basis of scholastic standing, interest in athletics, popularity and character.

The Iolani chorus sang two selections,



Here and There In The Diocese

Ave Maria, with Miss Mary Stone, guest soloist, assisting; and Sons of Men. Singing of the Alma Mater concluded the program.

The Iolani band played for 15 minutes before the exercises.

No Lack of Pupils

The actual total number of pupils, both boarding and day scholars, studying in these two schools during the past year has been 962. This is the largest enrollment in their long history, and taxes their capacty to the limit.

The Rev. Charles W. Nelson Goes To Vermont

Mr. Nelson, who was vicar of Epiphany, Honolulu, from 1936 to 1939, writes that he has accepted an appointment by Bishop Van Dyck for work in the diocese of Vermont, to begin as soon as he can be relieved from his present duties at St. Luke's Chapel, Trinity parish, New York. He has completed his year of special study at the General Theological Seminary. He sends the "heartiest regards and aloha" of Mrs. Nelson and himself to the members of the Staff in the Islands. We wish Father Nelson every blessing in his new work.

The China Relief Fund

Responses to the appeal for relief of Chinese refugees come in slowly. Only about a dozen of our congregations have sent their contributions to Mr. Hollander so far. Some may have paid directly to the general treasurer of the Territorial Committee for China Relief. Those who have not yet taken collections or forwarded the same, please do so at your earliest convenience. Promptness is urged because the money is so greatly needed in China.

New Roof for St. Mary's

It has become necessary to renovate the roof of our Home for Children. The wherewithal required for this, estimated at several hundred dollars, was the problem of the Board of Directors of St.

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Offices in Honolulu, San Francisco and Seattle Mary's. Under the leadership of the treasurer, Mr. Harold Podmore, the entire amount needed has already been provided, largely from gifts of individual friends. The work is now nearing completion. If anyone desires to help St. Mary's in another way, this could be accomplished by sending the Bishop \$71 for one of the fire escapes, being the balance from \$350 for which he offered to be responsible when they were erected two years ago.

Summer School of Religion at St. John's-by-the-Sea

Mr. T. J. Hollander, our diocesan treasurer, is also lay-reader at St. John'sby-the-Sea, Kahaluu, on Windward Oahu. Assisted by Mrs. Hollander each Sunday in Sunday School work, he is carrying on through the summer in a week-day Vacation Bible School, and reports much of encouragement. 56 are in regular attendance. Mr. Hollander has enlisted as assistants Sister Helen, Sister Evelyn, Miss Eloise Lawrence of the Priory School, and Mrs. J. W. Donald.

Andrew N. Otani

We hear of the successful outcome of Mr. Otani's second year at Seabury-Western Theological Seminary in Evanston, Illinois. He has accepted an invitation to spend the summer as a guest in the rectory of the Rev. Schell Harmon of St. Matthews' at Newton, Kansas. A year ago he was asked by Mr. and Mrs. Harmon, who at that time were at St. Ambrose Church, Chicago Heights, to stay with them through the vacation and assist in such ways as he could, particularly in association with the young people.

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The Bishop Completes Visitations to the Other Islands

During April and May the Bishop visited the Church work on four of the Islands, completing his visits for the first half of the year. On Kauai he found the widespread work of Archdeacon Willev vigorous and progressive, with two of the newer missions under All Saints'. Kapaa, namely Kilauea and Eleele, provided with new Church buildings. On Maui there were confirmations at Lahaina and Wailuku, with a short visit to St. John's Chinese Mission at Kula. On Molokai the chief event was the dedication of the new buldings of the Shingle Memorial Hospital, an account of which appears on another page.

At Maunaloa on Molokai, a meeting, called at short notice, brought together more than 50 children who had been under Mr. Andrew Otani's religious instruction until his departure for the mainland two years ago. They showed intelligent understanding of what they had learned, and sang h y m n s entirely from memory. On Hawaii there were confirmations at Kona and Hilo, and satisfactory visits at Kohala, and along the Hamakua Coast where Captain Roberts is taking hold



effectively. The Bishop spoke at a general assembly in the Laupahoehoe Public School.

Altogether the visits revealed a steady though not spectacular progress everywhere.

Another "Purpose" of the Hawaiian Church Chronicle

Supplementing the Bishop's statement on page 2 regarding the Chronicle, there is a further purpose which this diocesan paper can serve usefully. That is as a means of supplying subjects for intelligent intercessions. Spiritually alert churchmen may find in every number many persons and topics for which prayer and thanksgiving may be offered. For instance, in this number we ask the prayers of our people for James Nakamura, soon to be ordained; the Church Medical Center, Shingle Memorial Hospital on Molokai is a most worthy object of our prayers; so is Iolani School, and the Priory; a deepened faith in God on the part of Americans is urged by Edward R. Stettinius, Jr.; and the proper opportunities and training of chldren in the Church as suggested by the article on the last page. These are but a few of the objects for which our intercessions may well be made. In thanksgiving we shall not forget the life and work of the gallant missionary bishop of China, Frederick Rogers Graves, who died in May after 59 years of strenuous and colorful pioneer work for the Church; or the steady progress that is going on quietly in our diocesan schools for boys and girls; or the gifts which have so largely increased the usefulness of the Church Hospital on Molokai; or the blessings in home and Church, collectively and individually, which each one of us is able to appreciate.

Fund for General Convention Delegates Raised

The special committee, composed of Rev. Canon Brown, Mrs. Wm. Thompson and Mr. Herman von Holt reports that it has secured the full amount required to send our Honolulu delegates to the Triennial Convention at Kansas City, October 9 to 24. Convocation delegates are Rev. Kenneth D. Perkins and Mr. Edouard R. L. Doty. The representative of the Woman's Auxiliary is Mrs. E. R. L. Doty.

Peregrinations

Latest letters from Canon Brown tell of a bref visit to Baltimore. The Rev. C. Fletcher Howe of Wailuku supplied for him at St. Clement's on two Sundays in June. Rev. J. Miller Horton spent a few days in Kona. Rev. B. S. Ikezawa preached at Holy Apostles, Hilo, on June 23rd. Rev. Noah K. Cho is making his periodic visit to his home in Korea. The



One of thousands of Dakota (Sioux) Indians of the Church

INDIANS NOT "VANISHING"

Washington, D. C.—"Anyone who thinks the Indian is a 'vanishing American' is wrong," says John Collier, Commissioner of Indian Affairs at Washington. "Rather, the Indian population gain is the largest of any group in the United States, and the Red Man is developing surprising capacities as a business man."

Within the last fiscal year the Indian birth rate over the death rate jumped the population from 342,947 to 351,878.

Mr. Collier has been helpful and cooperative with Church leaders in American Indian work, and he points out that increasing population creates "a grave problem for solution," because of the shortage of useful land to meet the needs of a growing people.

Bishop and others are carrying on for him at St. Luke's. Chaplain David L. Quinn, of the Submarine Base at Pearl Harbor has been transferred to the Mainland. With the departure of Chaplain Charles W. B. Hill from Fort Kamehameha to Fort Bragg, once more we find ourselves without any Episcopal chaplains, either in Army posts or Navy bases, in Hawaii.

Sisters in China Seek Old Clothes for Refugees and Babies

Sister Constance and Sister Lucy of the True Light Industrial Mission at Wuhu, China, ask for materials for their work. They have received over fifty babies during the winter and spring. Epiphany Guild, Honolulu, is gathering supples for the Sisters, particularly used clothing, discarded silk stockings, baby clothes, and scraps of material of any description, for the Sisters can make use of almost anything. They are without sufficient supplies to keep their women and girls busy. These materials and clothing may be sent to the secretary of Epiphany Guild, Mrs. Elsie M. Bell, 1020 Koko Head Avenue, Honolulu.

NATIVE BRAZILIAN CONSECRATED BISHOP

New York—Cable advices from Porto Alegre, Brazil, inform the Presiding Bishop that the consecration of the Rt. Rev. Athalico T. Pithan, D.D., as Suffragan Bishop of Southern Brazil, took place as scheduled, Sunday, April 21, thus adding to the membership of the House of Bishops the first native of Brazil ever to attain the episcopate.

The ceremonies attending the consecration were the climax of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the Brazilian Episcopal Church.

The Rt. Rev. William M. M. Thomas, bishop of Brazil, was consecrator, assisted by the Rt. Rev. Hugo Blankingship, bishop of Cuba, and the Rt. Rev. Efrain Salinas y Velasco, bishop of Mexico, who was also the consecration preacher.

NOT DEFEATED

When St. Paul found himself in prison, it seemed as though the enemy had triumphed. His friends and prayerpartners may have been troubled and anxious as they thought of the campaign without their leader; but the Apostle himself was under no illusion: "I would have you know," he wrote, "that all the things that have happened unto me, have turned out for the progress of the Gospel." Such an attitude to life's trials and setbacks is in itself the beginning of victory.—The Southern Churchman.

"Conscience," said Uncle Eben, "is only a still small voice, and half the time when it tries to speak up it finds the line is busy."

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HAWAIIAN CHURCH

FRIENDS OF CHILDREN

By Archdeacon James Walker Probably one of the first hymns you ever sang was: "There's a Friend for little children." We sang it yesterday in our Sunday school at Kohala, Hawaii. There was the usual mixed group of young folk—Chinese, Koreans, Japanese and Caucasians, and one realized that Our Lord is the friend of them all.

Just now in some parts of the world even children are friendless, because they happen to be Spanish, or Jewish or Chinese, or Belgian or French, as though any of them are responsible for their birth.

I read the following incident the other day: "A visitor was walking along a street in Germany. In front of him were two little Jewish girls—one about 8 and the other younger. Suddenly they saw a big horse put his right hoof up on the pavement in front of them. The little one was frightened and the visitor overhead the older child say 'Don't be frightened. The horse doesn't know that we are Iews.'"

"Suffer the Little Children to Come" Looking on the brighter side of the picture we find that more is being done for children today than ever before in history.

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Think of the children's hospitals all over the world, and if there is not a hospital entirely for children, then you have, at least, a "children's ward." There are homes for children, maintained by various organizations, such as Shriner's homes for crippled children, and so on; then there are homes for children suffering from T. B. The Church Army has a number of homes set apart to meet the need of certain classes of children. In some of these homes the children spend long periods in their younger days, and in most cases, leave better fitted for the battle of life that lies before them. There are homes in the country and at the seaside, which receive children by turns to spend two of the happiest weeks of their life.

Think of the orphanages, large and small, all over the world. Even in Honolulu our church has such an orphanage, St. Mary's Home for Children, and it has done most excellent work for more than twenty years.

As I think of such homes, my mind goes back to the time of our Lord and



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to the conditions found in His day. You can have some idea of conditions then, when you remember those words of His, so oft repeated today: "Suffer little children to come unto Me, and forbid them not." Who would ever think of forbidding children to come to Christ? Yet the diciples did, and that brought forth those memorable words from our Saviour's lips.

What Dickens Accomplished

I have just been reading the life of Charles Dickens, and the conclusion forced upon me is that he did more for children than any other man in many generations. And he did it in a very subtle way. He often made his readers laugh, but the laughter ws not unmixed with tears, for along with the fun in his novels Dickens kept portraying the slums, the prisons, the poorhouses, the factories where children worked early and late, and the desperate living conditions of the lower classes.

Dickens in the depths of his heart determined to do what he could to make life less bitter for the poor from whose numbers he had risen. He deliberately made his stories serve a special and humanitarin purpose.

No wonder Charles Dickens was found constantly reading the New Testament, for in it is recorded the life of the greatest Friend the world has ever known, in whose steps we are to follow. In so doing we are not doing it only for these little ones, but also for their special Friend, who said "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these My brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THESE FIGURES?

68% of our nation's criminals admit they never practiced religion—

Six out of every seven criminals come from broken homes—

America leads the world in broken homes; our divorce rate is one out of every 6¹/₂ marriages; Canada and England, one out of every 70; continental Europe one out of every 1,000—

America leads the world in all crimes including murder, robbery, arson, and sex offenses—

If we are to attain world leadership as a Christian nation, it is high time that we rearm morally and spiritually.—The Trade Wind, Honolulu Rotary Bulletin.

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"For my own part," says Gustaf Aulen, "I am persuaded that there is no form of Christian teaching that has any future before it except such as can keep steadily in view othe reality of the evil that is in the world, and go to meet the evil with a battle song of triumph." Now, if ever, is the time to preach the victory of the Cross.