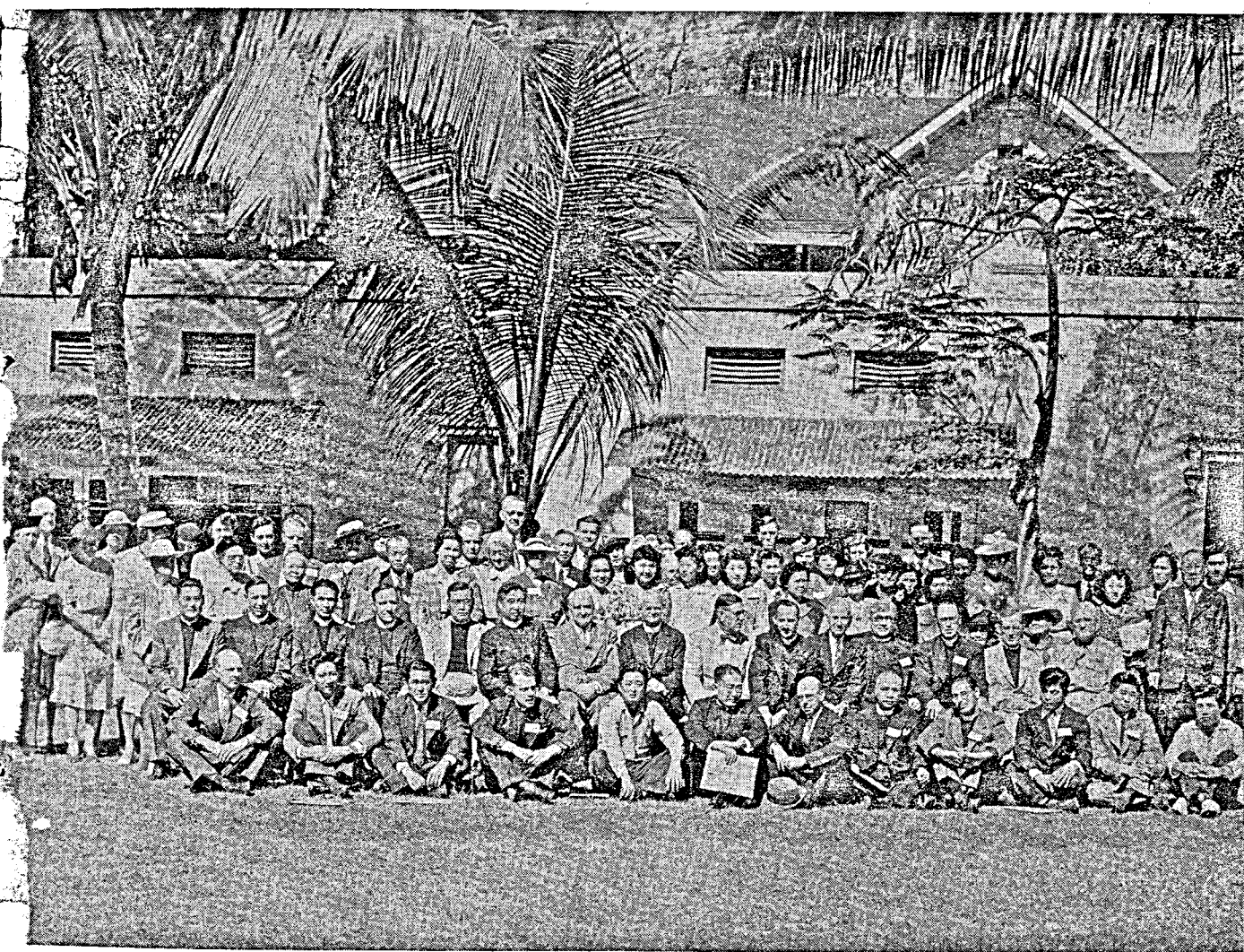


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OUR CHURCH CALENDAR

February 4th—Sexagesima Sunday
February 11th—Quinquagesima Sunday
February 13th—Shrove Tuesday
February 14th—Ash Wednesday
February 18th—1st Sunday in Lent
February 21st—Ember Day
February 23rd—Ember Day
February 24th—Ember Day—St. Matthias
February 25th—2nd Sunday in Lent

THE BISHOP'S LENTEN MESSAGE

There is a real need for Lent today, for life is so strenuous, our pace is so rapid and our anxieties so pressing. We over-do in so many ways. Our reputation for noise and sport and perspiration is well established. It is time for us to establish some reputation for Reverence, for Poise, for Family Life, for Kindly Speech. In the rush and hurry of life we forget that we are the sons and daughters of Almighty God. We need rest and quiet in order to think sanely. The brightest life cannot retain its necessary poise without withdrawal for a time from the strain of the busy and anxious world.

It is said that it takes thirty-six muscles in our face to make a frown and only eleven to create a smile. If this is true, it is a good example of the divine economies of nature. Unfortunately, in the minds of some people, Lent has become so associated with thoughts of self-discipline and self-denial that they regard Lent and Christian living as dreary and depressing—something to frown upon.

Christianity is not something to depress and restrict our lives—it is something that ought to open and enrich them. The primary value of self-denial is not simply self-discipline. If we deny ourselves, it is in order that instead of wasting our time and strength on inconsequentials, we can focus our interest on things that are vital.

To all members of the Church I make an earnest plea for as frequent attendance at the Lenten services as is possible. I plead not for the services, but for the Christian life that the services are intended to develop.

We cannot be passive spectators of present-day events. We dare not stand idly by to let ignorance and hatred rule the day. If we all believe that God's way is the way for men and nations, then we are required to act with all the courage, wisdom and strength our Lord can give us. But we must go where that strength is to be found.

There is perhaps more amateurishness in our religious life than in any other phase of our existence. We demand training and perfection in other phases of life, but when we turn to our religious life we feel that any average standard is sufficient. It seldom occurs to us that we should direct our lives and our relations with God on the highest plane, and that God is entitled to our highest efforts and devotion.

Let us use Lent, not as a season to frown upon and dread, but a period to be used for strengthening one's character, reorganizing one's schedule of living and building up one's faith.

ATTENDING MEETING OF HOUSE OF BISHOPS

The Bishop flew via clipper for the mainland on January 24th to attend a meeting of the House of Bishops, which was held in Birmingham, Alabama, January 29th-31st. We are proud that he was able to be present for this important meeting and know that our church in the islands will be better known because of his presence there. He went from there to New York to confer with Church officials. He will have many speaking engagements while away, from coast to coast, and will present the work of this District wherever he can. He will also interview clergy in the hope of getting them here to carry on our much needed work. We hope he will be able to return in time for Easter.

SOON TO ARRIVE

Mr. Harold Willmot Smith and his wife will soon arrive from England, where he has been studying for the ministry. He left in 1941 to begin his studies there, having been a Church Army Captain on the Island of Kauai. While in England he married Miss Adelaide I. Rollins. He will be loaned to Wailuku for a brief time, then go to Kauai where he will take up his duties at Christ Memorial Church, Kilauea. They have left New York and are awaiting passage to the Islands. We shall look forward to having them with us again.



THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY AT DIOCESAN CONVOCATION

Our women play a great part in the life of our Church. The 43rd Annual Convocation for the Auxiliary was held at St. Clement's Church.

OUR CONVOCATION

To review our 43rd Annual Convocation and strike only the highlights takes a very definite process of filtering, for it seems all was of interest and went perfectly, in the expressed opinion of all.

The Woman's Auxiliary Conference

The Woman's Auxiliary meeting was held at St. Clement's Church on Saturday, January 20th, and clicked along with efficient precision under the able direction of Mrs. William Fraser. All reports were given in rapid succession, and proved beyond a doubt the part that the women of our church play in its growth and service. They are to be congratulated upon their manifold achievements for the year.

Young People's Conference

The Young People's Conference on Saturday night was a tremendous success. Chaplain Gilbert Appelhof, USNR, from the Diocese of Michigan, and author of "You Can Be Happily Married" spoke to the group on the problems of marriage. His talk led to a lively discussion period. Following this, Chaplain Gordon Reese had charge of the entertainment for the young people. Games were of the hilarious variety and "a good time was had by all." The preparation service for Convocation was led by the Reverends Hollis H. A. Corey, Denis Smith and Andrew N. Otani.

Opening of Convocation

The afternoon of Convocation, January 21st, between five and seven o'clock, the Bishop and Mrs. Kennedy entertained the clergy and delegates at a most delightful open house. From there all went to the Cathedral for the opening service of Convocation at 7:00 p.m. The Bishop made his annual address at this service. He emphasized the fact that this was a time for Christians to do some plain thinking and speaking. "The war must be won. We do not and cannot win wars if any section of people are moved by motives of self interest. To really live together takes more than physical ties of modern invention. It requires Christian character. This is the responsibility of the Church as well as its great opportunity. A just and durable peace depends greatly on our missionary vision and how much we are willing to sacrifice in prayer and work and means to see that Christ's principles are carried to all the world.

"As a Church we must lengthen our cords and strengthen our stakes. A distressed world cries for a strong Church. Every Parish and Mission which reflects the power of the strong Son of God will move mountains of misunderstanding and prejudice."

He reviewed the achievements of the District and mentioned the many contributions for forward progress that have been made in the individual parishes and missions. In closing he called upon those present with this admonition, "A gigantic task confronts the Church in Hawaii. God calls us to keep the Church

strong. For years we have been taking the Church and the good things of life for granted. Now we must earn them again. Thoughtlessly we almost squandered our inheritance. Now we must begin anew. The stern summons must be heard by all: 'Quit you like men; be strong!' The Church today must give men of the world vision. The Church today must preserve liberty. The Church today must insist on the value of the individual regardless of race. The Church today must declare the obligation of social responsibility. The Church today must demand freedom for every man, because it is the will of God that every man shall be free."

Following the service the reports of the Bishop and Council were made.

Business of Convocation

On Monday the day's sessions opened with a service of Holy Communion, followed by a breakfast for clergy and lay delegates prepared and served by the members of St. Peter's Church. The business sessions and reports for Convocation were of interest to all, but efficiently completed.

Outstanding Speakers at Diocesan Banquet

An impressive array of world figures addressed the clergy and delegates at the banquet concluding the sessions, Monday night. Where but at the "Crossroads of the Pacific" would you find such men as Lieut. General Robert C. Richardson Jr., commander of the Army Forces in the Pacific Ocean Area, Vice Admiral William L. Calhoun, USN, Commander of Service Forces, Lieut. Commander Donald Aldrich, Chaplain, and Bishop-Coadjutor elect of Michigan, and Captain Clifford Morehouse, USMRC, editor of "The Living Church"?

General Richardson had just completed a 17,000 mile trip over the ocean to consult with General MacArthur and said smilingly, "After such a trip in so short a time it is impossible for anyone to remain an isolationist." He described his special work as the administrator for supply and training of the troops who will go forward to extend our Pacific frontier, paying a fine tribute to our fighting men. There is a real comfort to mothers and fathers in knowing the care shown by the leadership of our army. He closed with a striking appeal for the rebirth of Christianity and the introduction of integrity among leaders in world affairs if a lasting peace is to come.

Admiral Calhoun, a great Churchman and constant attendant at services whenever possible, gave credit to the Church for the steadfast spiritual strength given through these trying days. As he is soon leaving for forward areas, after 62 months of duty on Oahu, he gave his Aloha as well as that of Admiral Nimitz.

Chaplain Aldrich, who leaves soon for his consecration as Bishop, spoke feelingly of the future relations between the returning service men and the home, both of whom will be changed. He suggested that most of the articles written on the subject were by people who know little of the fighting man and his feelings. In the midst of this extremely sensitive situation he hoped the Church would forget its ma-

chinery and minister to the individuals with utmost love and care.

Captain Morehouse stressed the fact that Hawaii is no longer a missionary frontier as the possibilities of the work of the Church is daily extending farther west. He expressed the hope that the leaders of the Church would capture the present opportunity with a Christian invasion of the newly won islands. He felt that Hawaii might be a center of a school of Missions as we have here all the diverse racial elements which must be known by those who will be workers in the Orient. He even intimated that the Missionary District of Honolulu might become the first American diocese outside continental United States.

Of particular achievements for the Diocese is the fact that 666 confirmations were held this year—exceeding by 50% any previous number; the reducing of the diocesan debt, the addition of new workers and a renewal of work along all lines.

The work with the thousands of service men and women on all the islands received much thought, and the reports of visiting chaplains, the clergy, and Chaplain Gordon M. Reese, our Army and Navy Commission representative, showed the vast amount of activity everywhere and interest shown in the church men of the nation by all the congregations.

WHAT ARE YOU DOING ABOUT IT?

Chaplain Gordon M. Reese, who is here as the Army and Navy Commission representative for our Church, gives each parish and mission in the District a minimum parish program that should be carried out in regard to those in service. Our responsibility to those in service is not just a passing one—today something and tomorrow forget it. We have a tremendous job and should do it well, not only for those who look to our parish as a "home" while stationed here, but to those of our parish who have gone to other shores in line of duty for their country. These are on your "should do" list:

Each one from your parish should be given:

1. A Church War Cross
 2. A Prayer Book
 3. An Identification Prayer Card
- (All of these can be supplied by the Diocesan Office)

Each Parish and Mission should have:

4. An Honor Roll hanging in every Church.
5. A regular time for Intercessory Prayer—making mention of individuals by name.
6. A letter or greeting from the Rector at least once a month.
7. A Parish Christmas Kit similar to the "ditty bag."
8. A Parent's Prayer Group.
9. Ministry to relatives of (a) Missing (b) Killed.
10. A share in the annual Army and Navy Offering.

This is a ten-point minimum program for every parish. What are you doing about it? If you don't think that an interest in our loved ones in service pays dividends, read some excerpts from letters of those

who have felt the loving ministrations and kindly interest of your Church:

From a Naval Officer in the South Pacific comes this—"Thank you for the day before Christmas party at St. Clement's. Not only did I enjoy the service, but it was an inspiration to see one of our top ranking admirals attending Divine Service. It gives us younger men a feeling that our leaders are being guided by God. The fellowship on the part of civilians at St. Clement's made us feel at home."

From another naval officer in the southwest Pacific: "I used to wonder where my mite box pennies went, when I was a youngster. Now I know. I've seen some of the work the Church is doing in Honolulu—I'm certainly proud of its activities. I've attended services at St. Peter's, Chinese, The Hawaiian Congregation, Holy Trinity, Japanese and also St. Andrew's Cathedral. All of us will go back better missionaries and better Christians for these experiences."

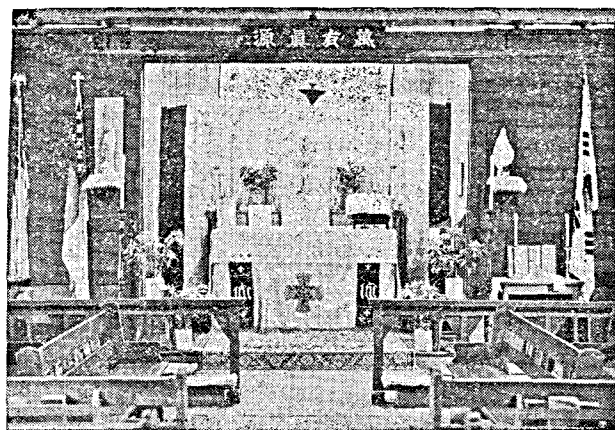
From a Marine PFC—"Gee, I didn't know we had so many Episcopal churches in Honolulu. I'm going to write mother and tell her the Woman's Auxilliary sure have been on the job out here."

From a CB on an LST: "My buddy and I can't thank you enough for the day you literally took us on the mountain top sipiritually at the services—physically when we went to the Pali. My buddy is writing his nephew, the Rev. Thomas Summers of Houston, Texas, today about our experience. While we are members of the Baptist Church your church seems to make no distinction. God bless St. Andrew's in their work for the men in service."

Now if you feel the door of opportunity is not open to you as a church member—that you are not really able to serve in the war effort—put a little effort into your thinking, get on your parish Army and Navy Committee, make a "home" for those who need your ministrations. Serve where the need is great!

THIS SHOULD BE A DIOCESAN ASSESSMENT!

For every family and individual in the Church in the Missionary District of Honolulu. It should not be necessary to urge you to remember that this is the time of year that subscription fees to the Diocesan Church Chronicle are not only acceptable, but gratefully received by your Diocesan Treasurer, Miss Blanche Myers. Your Bishop told you at Convocation that this was his only way of getting news of the District into your home, and that he was shocked at the number of members who do not find themselves on the files of subscribers. 503 subscribers out of 2500 families and individuals who should be subscribing is a thing that is beyond comprehension. May we not hear from you today in regard to your subscription?



ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

This Korean Mission is trying to raise funds for a new church building to replace the termite eaten one that now is their place of worship. The Reverend Noah Cho is doing much to aid this work.

1945 QUOTAS AND ASSESSMENTS

OAHU	Quotas	Assessments
St. Andrew's Cathedral.....	\$1,225.00	\$2,500.00
St. Andrew's Haw'n Cong.....	350.00	1,000.00
St. Andrew's Priory.....	175.00	250.00
St. Peter's Church.....	225.00	350.00
St. Clement's Parish.....	425.00	1,000.00
St. Elizabeth's Mission.....	235.00	300.00
St. Luke's Mission.....	90.00	100.00
Holy Trinity Mission.....	115.00	175.00
Epiphany Mission.....	150.00	160.00
Good Samaritan Mission.....	50.00	110.00
St. Mark's Mission.....	135.00	150.00
St. Mary's Mission.....	65.00	100.00
St. Alban's Chapel (Iolani).....	180.00	250.00
St. John's-by-the-Sea.....	50.00	50.00
Moanalua Sunday School.....	16.00	17.00
Order of the Good Samaritan.....	37.00	38.00
Cluett House.....	38.00	200.00
MAUI		
Good Shepherd, Wailuku.....	275.00	400.00
Holy Innocents, Lahaina.....	155.00	165.00
St. John's, Kula.....	34.00	36.00
HAWAII		
Holy Apostles, Hilo.....	190.00	195.00
Kohala Missions.....	200.00	200.00
St. Columba's, Paaui.....	81.00	100.00
St. James, Papaaloa.....	110.00	100.00
Christ Church, Kona.....	160.00	165.00
KAUAI		
All Saints, Kapaa).....	190.00	200.00
Christ Church, Kilauea)		
St. John's Church, Eleele.....	25.00	100.00
MOLOKAI		
Holy Cross Chapel.....	19.00	19.00
	\$5,000.00	\$8,430.00

FIGURING IT OUT

The end of the year can bring to our attention some amazing and interesting facts, if we play with dollars and cents as efficiently as our Diocesan Treasurer, Miss Blanche E. Myers, does. Here are some things you can put down in your mind as important facts to remember:

Our Army and Navy Commission Offering was \$4,484.06 against \$1,087.49 last year.

The Good Friday Offering was \$572.68 compared to \$153.26 in 1943.

The Episcopate Endowment is an endowment fund which we hope some day will be large enough so that the income from it will care for our Bishop's salary. The loose offerings at the time of the Bishop's visitations go to this fund. In 1944 these offerings amounted to \$1,099.58 against \$454.69 in 1943. We also received three war bonds for this fund.

Our "Expectations"—which is the amount that goes to the National Council each year, was set at \$5000 and this had been paid in full to National Council by the end of August. The Diocesan Assessment of \$6,757 was paid in full by November 1st.

The two loans for which the Board of Directors were responsible, that of St. John's Church, Eleele, Kauai, amounting to \$1,450 and St. Andrew's Cathedral Parish of \$6,000 were paid in full during the year, so that the only remaining debt of the Diocese on January 1st is that of the 4% Church Bonds and \$12,900 of these were redeemed October 1st, leaving a balance of \$32,700.

St. Elizabeth's Cottages paid off \$1000 of its loan, leaving a balance of \$2000 to be paid.

The total amount raised and disbursed for the Bishop's House and Grounds repairs was \$8,402.64 and for the Diocesan Offices \$2,017.93.

The total of Trust investments was \$282,983.42 as compared with \$244,020.62 last year and Trust Endowments increased from \$246,848.21 in 1943 to \$292,374.32 in 1944.

As to the Hawaiian Church Chronicle, 503 subscribers paid a total of \$1,575.35. Eleven issues were printed at a total cost of \$2,056.17. Total receipts were \$2,357.10 leaving a balance December 31st of \$300.00.

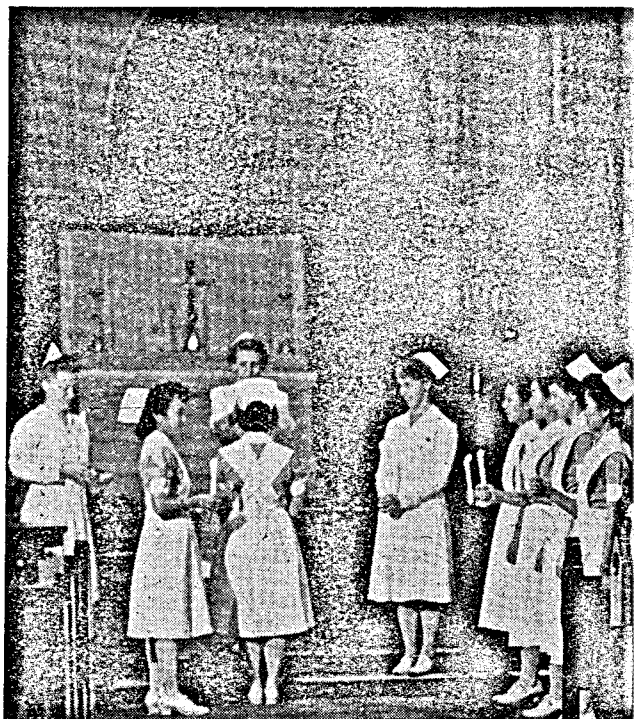
At the beginning of the year the fund for the rectory of St. John's-by-the-Sea amounted to \$4,821.63. This was increased to \$6,492.72, and the rectory was built, costing \$6,381.87. The fund for the new Church building at St. John's-by-the-Sea on December 31, 1944 amounted to \$3,619.18.

BISHOP WARNS CHURCH MUST HELP IN PEACE

THINKING GROUP OF GIs WANTS WORLD ORGANIZED ON FAIR BASIS, HE SAYS

By JOHN FRYE

CINCINNATI, Dec. 19 (AP)—A hero of the last war who became a church leader believes that religion and the church now have a great chance to help create a peace based on fairness and good will but—if they miss it—"another war is in the making."



CAPPING SERVICE

An impressive sight was the capping service for the January 12th. The Bishop had the service and preached. The service should be held in the Cathedral as Queen's Hospital and the Cathedral and Queen's Hospital.

The Rt. Rev. Henry Wise Hobson, 53-year-old Episcopal bishop of southern Ohio who has just returned from a tour of European battlefronts like those on which he won the Distinguished Service Cross as an infantry major in 1918, said:

"The GIs I talked to aren't too articulate about it, but there's a thinking nucleus among them who want to see the world organized fairly and unselfishly. They're thinking about after the war and they don't want to see any more narrow nationalism and isolationism.

"The church (Bishop Hobson made plain that he was not speaking alone of his own) can do much to see

that this spark is kept alive in them when they return."

Great Responsibility

Bishop Hobson placed much hope for new church leadership in the chaplains returning from the Army and Navy but predicted that many would want to return to seminaries for six months or so of training and reorientation of civilian life.

"They've been away from everything but the most essential books," he said, "and 50 to 60 per cent of the 800 or so I saw abroad said they felt the need of retraining."

that religion gives him something, some strength that he can't get any other way.

"Even the hard men who never paid much attention to religion before are learning it. One chaplain told me how much trouble he had organizing a Bible class in his regiment, especially how one sergeant kept telling him to let the men alone and not make softies out of them.

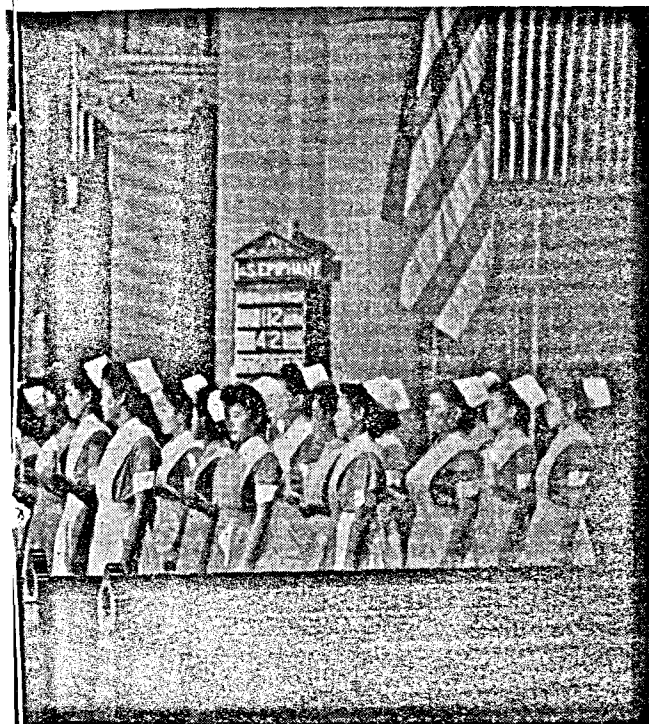
"After their first real battle, at St. Lo, when they had heavy casualties, the sergeant came to the chaplain and said, 'you can have the whole regiment for my money. Your men fought better and two of them just risked their necks to save mine.'"

Bishop Hobson has spent much time visiting training camps and stations in this country. He also went to England and Europe on behalf of the Army's chief of chaplains and the commission on Army and Navy chaplains.

ALL THE BOMBS DON'T FALL ON BATTLE FIELDS

What is wrong with us when we can get a letter like this, in an age of enlightenment that needs so desperately the light of Christ to pave the way? "I am now a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism Inc. and the Freethinkers of America, both national organizations fighting the tyranny of religion and all gods. I was converted to Atheism and Freethought after leaving Iolani School. Each year the Christian Church loses more and more members and it is only the fear of war that a few more people even go to churches. There can be no comfort in such a cruel god as the Christians possess that he permits such a wild and bloody war, so that millions of Christians also die. That there are 'no atheists in foxholes' is a lie and cannot be proved, but the pious Christian press wishes to ignore it. Yours for Atheism for America."

For those of us who placidly feel that we are doing a marvelous piece of work we cannot help but gasp. We cannot help but wonder why this young man was not able to go on to a college that had the same teachings of Christianity as Iolani—for it was only after he left there that he let others come in and warp his clear thinking. It is in such a case as this that we should follow the admonition of our Bishop in his annual address, "Rise up, O men of God" and do something to help this man, and others like him, retrace their steps to Christ. Surely we have something greater to offer than a belief in no belief! Russia found that they had to return to Christ to find the true meaning of life. It is not God who creates wars—it is men who have lost God and tried to build a faith on dictatorships that created war. It is because some men believed in God that they rose up in arms that the teaching of Christ would not be stricken from the earth. It is we, the followers of Christ, who must see that there is no "Atheism for America".



AT CATHEDRAL
nurses of the Class of 1945 at Queen's Hospital, and the sermon. It was especially appropriate that this drama was the main influence in the founding of both

"The church has a great responsibility," he added, "in seeing to it that these men coming back to the ministry are given work in keeping with what they've learned.

"We ought to keep open pastorates and parishes where they can wield because of their understanding of the men and women coming back with them."

Among the things Bishop Hobson expects the chaplains to bring back is the servicemen's lack of orthodoxy and dislike of narrow sectarianism.

Broader Religion Desired

"He wants a broader religion," Bishop Hobson said. "He doesn't talk much about it. He may call God the 'man up there,' or something like that, but he knows

We Travel The Islands

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OAHU

Returns to Bethany Home

Many hearts have been heavy at the news that Sister Deborah has been ordered to return to the Mother House at Glendale, Ohio. She left in early January for the mainland. She had made an indelible mark on the hearts of all who knew her for her spiritual ministrations. She was teacher to the girls at the Priory, spiritual counselor to the members of the Hawaiian Congregation, friend to the friendless and the poor, and mother to the sick and wounded. Her absence is greatly felt, but we know that such a life dedicated to service for others will go on to even greater heights.

Death of General Helmick

From St. Clement's "Kalendar" comes this tribute to a man of outstanding character: We will miss the soldierly bearing and kindly smile of our friend and member, Major General Eli A. Helmick, USA, retired. A Vestryman during the past two years and a familiar and striking figure among us as he was constant at services. He was a great Churchman, a layreader for many years and took an active part in laymen's activities. May the Church and Nation develop more men of like caliber." Our very deepest sympathy is extended to Mrs. Helmick and her family.

A Hero from St. Mary's Home

The following notice brought sadness to those of St. Mary's Home who knew this fine young man:

"LT. WM. GOO KILLED IN ACTION

"Lt. William L. Y. Goo, previously reported missing in action, was killed in action over Germany on August 6 according to the International Red Cross. Word of his death was sent here by the Rev. O. M. Bailey of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Bremerton, Wash.

"Lt. Goo lived in Honolulu at St. Mary's Home until he was 15 and in 1935 went to Washington with the Rev. Bailey as his ward. He was graduated from Port Angeles High School in 1937 and spent over three years in college when war broke out. He joined the U. S. Air Corps and was graduated from Honodo Field, Texas, early in 1944. He was sent to England where he was based when he went on his last mission. For meritorious action he received a citation and two oak leaf clusters."

Begins Duties

Mrs. Kenneth O. Miller, wife of the late Rev. Kenneth O. Miller of Christ Church, Kealakekua, Hawaii, has begun her duties as Parish Secretary at St. Andrew's Cathedral. A woman of great charm and personality, she will fill an important part in the life of the Cathedral Parish. Even now the office radiates

her friendliness and understanding of human contacts. She will do much for those who cross the office threshold for guidance or just a cheery greeting.

They Are Being Served

Though censorship forbids much mention of the work that is being done for the prisoners of war by the Church, we wish to mention the good work being done by the Reverend Noah K. Cho with the Korean prisoners of war. A goodly number have been presented to the Bishop for confirmation.

Deaconess Swinburne Honored

Deaconess Sarah F. Swinburne was the honored guest at a home-coming at St. Elizabeth's Mission, Sunday, January 28th. Many were present at the eleven o'clock service and the luncheon following. Deaconess Swinburne and her mother were presented with beautiful leis as a token of the esteem the people of the mission hold for them. It was all a very lovely occasion and we were indeed happy to have the Deaconess and her mother here for the brief period of Convocation.

Looking Ahead

The Rt. Rev. Fred Ingley, Bishop of Colorado, has written to the Bishop suggesting that Colorado use one of our missions as a definite project for the Lenten Mite Box Offering. The Bishop has suggested St. John's-by-the-Sea as they are so desperately in need of help for a new building. Materials have been sent to the Rev. Charles Brady, who has charge of the Diocesan work for Colorado. We hope that this little church by the sea will add many pennies to the Colorado Offering. Miss Blanche Myers, Mr. T. J. Hollander and Mr. Willis Deits, from Colorado Springs, Colorado, and the former parish of the Bishop, went to Kaneohe to take pictures of the mission. Mr. Deits took stills and Miss Myers some movies. The Bishop has taken them to the mainland and will use them in making talks to the various parishes he visits.

Clergy Conference

Members of the clergy were entertained at breakfast following the Holy Communion service on Tuesday morning by Miss Mabel Schaeffer at Cluett House. It was a very delicious breakfast and served most graciously. After the conference in the Bishop's Office, the Bishop and Mrs. Kennedy entertained at luncheon the clergy and their wives and Diocesan Church workers at the Pleasanton Hotel.

In Appreciation

We wish to express appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Hemenway, Mr. Herbert Mist, Mrs. C. Montague Cooke, Jr., and Mr. T. J. Hollander for their graciousness in providing hospitality for delegates to Convocation.

Special mention should be made of Mrs. William Soper and members of the Friendly Friday for the

very delicious luncheon served to the clergy and lay delegates in Davies Hall Monday noon of Convocation. Members of St. Peter's Church served the breakfast the clergy and lay delegates enjoyed following the Holy Communion on Monday morning preceding the business sessions of Convocation. Mrs. Robert White was in charge of the table arrangements for the Diocesan banquet Monday evening and did a superb job of it. Mr. Herman V. Von Holt, toastmaster for the banquet, was several notches above perfect. He did a difficult task well and graciously.

Have Dinner Party

About twenty-five young people from St. Luke's Church met at Kewalo Inn for a dinner party recently. The Bishop and Mrs. Kennedy were guests for the occasion. The Rev. Mr. Cho was official chaperone. Everyone had a most delightful time.

Visit Maui

The Bishop and Chaplain Gordon Reese flew to Maui January 18th for a brief visit and official business for the Church.

Service at Schofield Barracks

On January 11th, Bishop Kennedy went to the chapel at Schofield Barracks for a Holy Communion service for men of the Episcopal faith. The service had been planned by Chaplain Charles Stinnette, from the diocese of Connecticut. Many were in attendance. It was of particular significance to the Bishop as it was the anniversary of his consecration as Bishop.

KAUAI

Large Delegation

There were seven delegates from Kauai for the Convocation. We were most happy that so many could be here for the occasion, as the importance of any Convocation is the personal contacts that are made so that delegates can return to their parishes and missions and inspire them with the work that has been and is to be accomplished in the Church. Some of the delegates had never visited the Island of Oahu before, so this was a real experience for them.

On Sunday, January 21st, The Rev. J. Thurlow Baker and the Rev. Andrew Otani preached at eleven o'clock services—the Rev. Mr. Baker going to Epiphany Church and the Rev. Mr. Otani to his former parish, Good Samaritan.

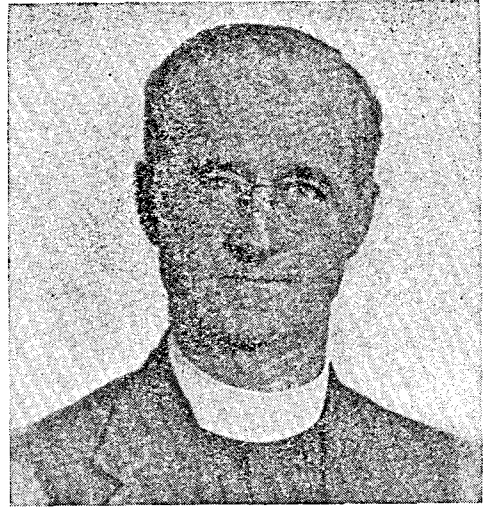
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From Holy Apostle's Church

Comes the good news that they had a most successful parish meeting following the eleven o'clock service Sunday, January 7th. They had a dinner in the rectory and a very satisfying parish meeting.

The Church School is lively—the older group having given a lovely Christmas pageant "The Christmas Search", and the younger children an Epiphany play.

The Ven. James Walker was preacher at St. Andrew's Cathedral on Sunday morning, January 11th. His many friends in Honolulu were happy to have him for this service. The Rev. Norman Alter, from



THE REVEREND EDMUND L. SOUDER

Who arrived January 25th to assume his duties as priest in charge of St. Mark's and St. Mary's Missions. Already he has won a place for himself in the churches he serves. He and Mrs. Souder are a happy addition to our Diocesan family. His sincere understanding of the people he will serve will endear him to them.

Hilo, preached at St. Clement's Church at their eleven o'clock service.

The Rev. Denis Smith brought a delegate from Paaulo for the Convocation. He is a younger member of St. Columba's Mission and took a great interest in the Convocation business.

GENERAL NOTES OF INTEREST

An Expression of Appreciation is Extended

To all the Churches, Institutions and friends sharing in the expense for the travel of the Bishop to the Meeting of the House of Bishops. The General Church pays such travel expense for all bishops for General Convention, but not for the meetings of the House of Bishops, called by the Presiding Bishop. Each diocese or district is expected to take care of this expense. Our Churches, at the suggestion of Mrs. Kenneth Day, came forward whole-heartedly in seeing that it was possible for our Bishop to go. Needless to say, the gratitude of the Bishop knows no bounds.

Mrs. Shim Honored at Convocation

Mrs. Shim Yin-Chin was honored at the Convocation for the years of devotion she has given to the little mission at Kula. She was presented with a gift of \$150.00 from the District, having received the blessing of the Bishop at the presentation.

Please Note

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THE AUXILIARY ACTS

Our "Do You Know?" Column

That:

Mrs. Kenneth Day has been the Diocesan Treasurer for some fifteen years and has just recently relinquished her duties to Mrs. Elizabeth R. Boycott, 2108 Haena Drive, Honolulu 24, T. H.?

Mrs. Day is one of the most outstanding workers in the District and has done a remarkable piece of work as treasurer through the years. She has wisely handled the finances of the Auxiliary and guided them on the tracks of "balance on hand" instead of down "red side lane". When you have such a wonderful person as Mrs. Day working in your Auxiliary and for the Church you never have to worry about the future of the Church. She will be greatly missed on the Diocesan Board. We regret her resignation, but know she has turned over her official duties to a very capable and delightful person.

That:

Mrs. William Fraser has again been elected President of the Woman's Auxiliary? She is as charming as she is efficient and we all rejoice in her reelection.

That:

If you have magazines in your home, and subscriptions are running out—no matter what the magazine would be—that you can earn money for the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary Treasury by placing your subscription through Mrs. John Miller, 4040 Black Point Road, or 78140, by phone? A subscription allowance of 15 cents or 25 cents will mean much to the Diocesan Auxiliary and just a little effort on your part. Send it in NOW for new subscriptions or renewals!

That:

At Convocation the Auxiliary voted that this next year they would raise \$500 toward the District Exhibit for General Convention; \$200 toward Christian Education and \$2000 as a minimum for St. John's-by-the-Sea? The latter is to pay back the amount the members of that parish had raised toward the building of a new Church, but applied on the building of the rectory, as that was essential in order to have a priest in residence before they could go ahead with plans for a Church building.

That:

Every baptized woman in any parish or mission is a member of the Auxiliary and should be affiliated with it in some active way?

"WHAT IS THE RELIGIOUS LIFE"

Excerpts from a "Problem Paper" by Mother Theodora, Community of St. Mary Well, I Never Knew You Had Monks and Nuns in the Episcopal Church!"

The widespread ignorance in regard to this ques-

tion of such vital importance is appalling. Few sermons, however, are ever preached on the calls of God, and how can people be expected to hear without a preacher?

The Episcopal Church does have monks and nuns and just for one reason, because it is a part of the Holy Catholic Church. Wherever that Church has been planted, under whatever skies, amidst whatever races, sooner or later it has always produced the Religious Life.

Early in the nineteenth century the Church began to regain some of its lost heritage. Churches were restored and adorned; worship on earth began to take on once more some better semblance of the worship of heaven. In 1845, the Religious Life was restored. Its phenomenal development during the past one hundred years is one of the most remarkable signs of God's approval and blessing upon the Church of England.

Today on every continent and in many islands of the sea, monks and nuns of the Anglican community are a fruitful witness to the fact that although the Religious Life was abolished at the Reformation, it has come back, and is strong as "a giant refreshed with wine."

Doesn't A Person Have To Be Very Good Before He Can Receive A Call From God?

Some persons are called because they are very good, but others seem to be called in spite of the fact that they are very bad. It is a great delusion to imagine for an instant that a convent or monastery is peopled with saints or angels. Members come from the rank and file of the Church Militant. Our Lord has laid His hand on certain ones and said, "Follow Me," and they have followed, but the mere fact of response does not transform by miracle a bad disposition, a quick temper, a sluggish body or mind. The Religious Community, like the Church, is a drag-net, composed of many kinds of souls in varying states of imperfection, and few are drawn into it because they are very good.

How Do You Know That You Have A Call?

God calls in different ways. Many years ago in one of the leading colleges for women, there was inscribed upon the walls of the chapel this text: "I heard the voice of the Lord, saying: 'Whom shall I send, and who will go for us? Then said I, Here am I; send me.'" In those good old days attendance at daily morning prayers was considered a necessary part of a liberal education, and as the years went by, one student after another, meditating on this text day after day, was led to answer God's call to the Religious Life. A call to the Religious Life is simple and straightforward, and very much like any other summons in this world. If a father "Calls" his son, the boy may refuse, or answer, or delay. The word "call" has the same meaning in the Religious Life. It may arise in various ways. But whatever the form of the call, the important thing is to answer promptly and generously.

What Steps Must One Take To Answer Such A Call?

As soon as one is assured in his own mind that God is calling, he should consult some wise priest who understands the Religious Life. If the priest feels that it is a genuine call, he will direct the aspirant to make a visit at some Religious House, where he will have an opportunity to see at first hand something of the life and also to obtain expert advice as to his fitness for the same.

"Why Do Sisters Wear Such Horrid Clothes?"

A Religious habit serves a two-fold purpose. It marks out the wearer as a special soldier of the King of Kings, to whom any one may turn for help; it is also a sign of separation from the world, and it is a safeguard to the individual who wears it. Wherever she goes she appears in her habit and that is a constant reminder that she must walk worthily of the vocation of which the habit is the outward and visible sign.

"What About the Monastic Vows? How Much Reality Is There in the Vow of Poverty?"

We are poor in the religious sense not when we are in want of all things and suffer from scarcity, but when we have nothing in our possession save what the Abbott has given us or permitted us to keep We are not poor in order to be poor, but to be rich with God and rich like God. Monastic poverty is renunciation of proprietorship over material things, and, as St. Augustine taught, it works the miracle of substituting for personal interests the interests of Christ, and for the private convenience the common good. The surrender of individual proprietorship strikes hard at the acquisitive instinct, so universally active in all human nature, and few persons care to "shrink responsibility" at such a cost.

Then There Is the Vow of Chastity. What Would Happen To the Human Race If All Persons Became Religious?

The answer to this question is obvious. The facts give us a certain answer that it is not the will of God, since both the vocation to the married life and to the Religious Life are present in the Body of Christ, and are to play their parts in the establishing of the Kingdom which He is calling into being.

People May Observe Poverty and Chastity Without Taking Any Vows, But Isn't A Vow of Obedience a Sort of Spiritual Suicide?

In the physical world, nature serves those who obey her laws; in any trade or profession there are definite rules to be observed, and man's success is inextricably bound up with obedience. Religious Communities are

the oldest form of democracy in the Christian world. The Superior to whom obedience is rendered is elected usually for a limited period, and is governed by fixed constitutions. The aspirant before taking any vows has abundant opportunity to find out just what the conditions are to which he subjects himself, and his final vow is an act of intelligent free-will. He knows that no command will be laid upon him which will involve sin or endanger his eternal welfare, and this belief is founded upon no mere fanatical other-worldliness. Each member of the Community has equal rights and privileges, and to the surrendered soul full scope is given for individual development and initiative. The humblest member shares in the achievements of the whole day.

The great object of the Religious Life is to attain the perfect love of God and the perfect denial of self. This glorious path of interior obedience leads directly from self-will to the will of God.

Some Religious Orders in the American Church Communities for men:

The Order of the Holy Cross, West Park, N. Y.
The Society of St. John the Evangelist, Boston
The Order of St. Francis, Mount Sinai, Long Island, N. Y.

St. Barnabas' Brotherhood, Gibsonia, Penn.

Communities for women:

The All Saints Sisters of the Poor, Orange Grove, Catonsville, Md.
The Community of St. John Baptist, Ralston, N. J.
The Community of St. Mary, Peekskill, N. Y.
The Community of St. Saviour, San Francisco, Calif.
The Community of The Transfiguration, Glendale, Ohio
The Order of St. Anne, Arlington Heights, Mass. and others
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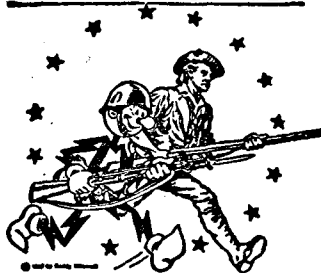


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