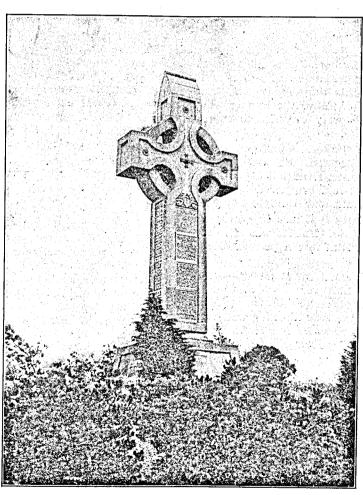
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# THE BISHOP'S EASTER MESSAGE

The Easter theme of Immortality is the most interesting subject of religion. Man's persistent curiosity to lift the veil and peek into the unknown, his inner craving for endless life, keep alive the hunger which causes him to snatch at every evidence to support his faith in the future life.

Good Friday was the darkest day in all human history. Our Lord was crucified. He was laid in a borrowed tomb. When the sun sank that night human hope had died. Darkness had conquered light; fear had mastered courage; death had triumphed over life.

Then came Easter. Early that morning those who loved Him came to His grave. But He was not there. He had risen. And with Him rose hope and courage and joy and faith.

His disciples were changed in their outlook and their manner of living. Life was not a meaningless episode in the mechanical history of the universe, but an eternal reality filled with meaning and value. God who created all things would not stand by and see those whom He had made for fellowship forever destroyed.

Easter is not merely a Holy Day, commemorating a great historic fact. For most of us it is a distinct mystical experience which carries us to the realms of the spirit.

Without spiritual vision, life is a sordid thing. We sleep, rise, buy, sell, work, play, discuss, compete and sleep to rise again. We are saved from deadening monotony only by those mystical experiences which carry us away and force us to see the beautiful.

Jesus' resurrection assures us that we shall rise from death. Our bodies worn by sickness and age may be laid away in the grave, but the same loving Voice which spoke to Lazarus, to the widow's son, and Jarius' daughter, raising them from death unto life, will speak to us, and we, with our dear ones, shall be alive and happy evermore.

## TO OBSERVE "AT HOME"

So that an opportunity may be provided for people to always find the Bishop's wife at home, Mrs. Kennedy has decided that each Thursday, between the hours of three to five, she will observe as an "at home". She will be happy to welcome any who wish to call at this time.

## CHILDREN'S SERVICE

There will be a united service of all the Churches on Oahu for the presentation of Mite Boxes, Sunday, April 15th, at 3:00 p. m., in St. Andrew's Cathedral. The service should mean much to our boys and girls who have been working to add dollars to their Lenten Offering. It is always an inspiring sight to see so many youngsters at this service. We hope this year to have every Church well represented and that our offering will be larger than for any previous year.

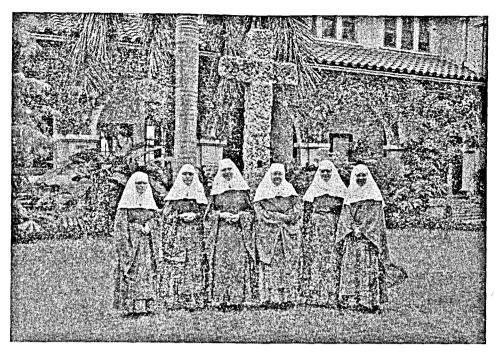
The Church School Lenten Offering is one of the greatest missionary offerings in America. It amounts regularly to over \$300,000 and has gone as high as \$550,000. For many years the fund was a "special"—that is, it was not a part of the Quota or Expectations, but was given over and above the Expectation. Some dioceses still follow this practice. The entire offering is designated for the general Church's missionary budget.

## **GOOD NEWS**

Came from Mrs. Littell when she wrote that Bishop Littell and she had received word that their son, Joe, had been spared to them, after receiving the report that his division had been wiped out. He is in a prison camp in Germany, and though they can write to him as frequently as they desire, he can only send two letters a month to them. We all join in a prayerful thanksgiving for this wonderful news and rejoice with the Littells that he has been reported safe, though in the hands of the Germans.

## LET'S BEGIN NOW

To think about our display at General Convention. The Bishop is very anxious that Hawaii should become better known to our Church and wishes to have a display of Hawaii at the next meeting of General Convention, which has been scheduled to meet in San Francisco. The Woman's Auxiliary at our Convocation voted to appropriate \$300 toward that for this year. This will be a good start, but we want to have everyone who has suggestions to make for this to do so. The more heads we have working on the project, the more worthwhile our display will be. Let the Bishop's Office know if you have any artistic abilities than can be contributed to this work.



SISTERS OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

In this Centenary year of the Religious life we feel that we are particularly blessed in the Missionary District of Honolulu to have such close association with these good Sisters who so ably direct the activities of St. Andrew's Priory School for Girls. Second from the left is Sister Helen Veronica, Sister Superior of the Priory. To her goes much credit for the efficiency of this fine school for girls.

## CENTENARY SERVICE IN THE CATHEDRAL

It is still not uncommon to meet people who are surprised to learn that there are hundreds of men and women in the Anglican Communion living under the vows of Monastic Life. Actually, this year marks the 100th Anniversary of the revival of the Religious Life among us, and a Choral Eucharist, in commemoration of this important event, is to be offered, under the direction of the Bishop, in the Cathedral on the Feast of the Annunciation B. V. M. (transferred), Monday, April 9th, at 10 o'clock, paralleling services that day of a similar character on the mainland.

This Centenary Service will serve as a reminder of how great a debt we owe the devoted men and women, both ancient and modern, who have heard and obeyed the call of Christ to "forsake all and follow" Him in poverty, chasity and obedience. Since early times Christian monks and nuns have made outstanding contributions both to education and to missions, not only in Europe, which they largely converted to Christ, but throughout the world.

It was in 1845 that two Anglican women, under the spiritual guidance of Dr. Pusey, undertook to live as Religious, thus reviving what had been so ruthlessly uprooted by Henry VIII three centuries before. Just twenty years later (1865), at the invitation of the First Bishop of Honolulu (Staley), three Sisters of the Society of the Most Holy Trinity arrived here, and in 1867 St. Andrew's Priory was built and occupied by the Sisters, in the presence of Miss Sellon, the Society's first Mother Superior.

Our own Sisters of the Transfiguration came into the picture in 1917, when, in response to the request of Bishop Restarick, made to the Rev. Mother Eva Mary, C.T., on a visit to Glendale, Ohio, Mother Eva's niece, Sister Olivia Mary, and two other Sisters began their notable work at the Priory, which continues, with God's blessing, to be a great influence for good in the lives of many girls.

Some of these memories will be in the minds of those who attend the Choral Eucharist on April 9th in the Cathedral, to which all interested are cordially invited.

Once again comes the Easter sunrise, flooding the darkest facts of human experience with light and understanding. We, too, have food in the darkness of some Calvary. We have watched the good suffer. We have parted with dear ones we know were worthy to live. Sometimes we have been led to wonder if God really cares. Easter is the answer to our darkest questionings. Death is only a horizon, and a horizon is only the limit of our sight.

### THE BISHOP'S MESSAGE

Sixteen hours on the plane from Honolulu to San Francisco! It was quite a contrast to the ten days it took me to come by ship just a year ago.

From San Francisco I flew to Birmingham, Alabama for the meeting of the House of Bishops. Real southern hospitality was accorded the one hundred bishops in attendance.

From Birmingham I went to Columbus, Ohio for a visit with the Rev. Anson Stokes and his wife. I feel so very happy about having these charming people in our Diocesan family.

My next stop was New York where I spent over a week conferring with department heads of our National Council relative to the affairs of the District. Interest in the work of our Church in Hawaii is at a high level. I was able to interview quite a few seminary students who are interested in coming to Hawaii. It was a pleasure to be able to show colored pictures and slides on many occasions.

The National Council was in session so I was given an opportunity to address them on the work and needs of our District.

On Sunday, February 11th, I was afforded the pleasure of preaching at the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Unfortunately Bishop Manning is quite ill. However I did enjoy a delightful luncheon with Mrs. Manning and her daughter at the Bishop's home.

Dinner with Bishop and Mrs. Littell was a highlight of my New York visit. We had much to talk over concerning our mutual friends and the work in the District.

In Boston I was the house guest of Bishop and Mrs. Sherrill. The deep snow and winter weather of New England did not prevent a visit with Chaplain Stone at Camp Devons and with several clergy who are interested in coming to Hawaii.

On February 18th I took a confirmation service for Bishop Gardner of New Jersey in the parish where I was raised as a boy.

My travels took me to Philadelphia, Trenton, and Princeton for further conferences.

In Cincinnati I was the guest of Bishop and Mrs. Hobson. I went to Glendale, Ohio where I was met by Mother Olivia who took me to the Mother House, where I had a most happy visit with the sisters. I was especially glad to see Sister Deborah and Sister Martha.

In Chicago I was the guest of Dean Kelley at Seabury Western Divinity School where I had an opportunity to address the student body.

Kenosha, Wisconsin was my next stop, where I was given the privilege of speaking to a Missionary Luncheon Meeting at St. Matthews Parish. It was a great joy to be with Bishop Ivans of Milwaukee on this occasion.

My travels then took me to Wichita, Kansas, where I preached on Sunday at St. James' Church, where I was the guest of the rector and his wife, the Rev. Samuel E. West. Their son, Jack, has been with

us in Honolulu for many months, where he is a Naval Lieutenant. On Monday evening we had a parish dinner and a missionary mass meeting. This large church was filled to over-flowing and their interest in Hawaii was demonstrated through the large offering they gave for work in the islands.

In Denver I had the pleasure of preaching at the consecration service of St. Thomas Church where I served as rector for six years. I also was given the opportunity to speak at a missionary service at All Saint's Church, Denver, where another generous offering was taken for our work. Colorado kept me busy with addresses at a Youth Rally at St. John's Cathedral, Denver, a meeting of the clergy, a meeting of all Church School teachers of Denver, the Woman's Auxiliary Board, Kiwanis Club and a large dinner and missionary meeting at Grace Church, Colorado Springs, where I also received a generous offering toward our work.

Santa Rosa, California was my next stop-over. I preached at the Church of the Incarnation and had dinner with Sister Clara and the other sisters of the Community of the Transfiguration.

On returning to San Francisco I went to Mills College where I met 15 girls from Hawaii. I spoke to the Woman's Auxiliary Board and had several conferences with clergy and teachers, then boarded the Clipper for home.

Much ground was covered in a short time, but I feel much was accomplished for the future of the District. Rest assured I am delighted to be back, but very grateful to all who shared in making my trip possible.

# RANDOM OBSERVATIONS IN THE MARIANAS

Harry Stroup, Staff Correspondent for the Advertiser, wrote an article about the work of the Reverend Noah K. Cho when at Saipan. He said in his article of "Random Observations in the Marianas:"

"All 1,300 of the Koreans in the civilian camp at Susupe, Saipan, are Episcopalians—all converts of Father Cho, Korean minister of the Episcopal church in Honolulu. The Koreans were inclined to Christianity and many of them were Methodists before our forces took over the Island. At the request of General Sanderford Jarman, commanding officer on Saipan, Father Cho was brought to the Island and spent several months here. Before he left, all of the Koreans were Episcopalians. There is no regular minister at present but a devout member of the colony is carrying on the work of the church in a quasi-official capacity.

"Father Cho, by the way, is credited with doing a fine piece of work among the Koreans. They live in a well laid out camp and are allowed considerable freedom—many of them being employed on non-military construction jobs."

Certainly when a newspaper correspondent can acclaim the work that has been done by one man, we hope that our Church can become alive to the need for workers in this forward area, and that no stone will be left unturned until we can minister further where the seeds of Christianity have been firmly sown.

Our Chaplains who have gone "down under" know the need for some real missionary work. They also know that the Roman Catholics have found a way to enter this field of action and have started their ball rolling so that it has gathered momentum with such vigor that our own clergy who serve with Uncle Sam view the situation with alarm, unless we become alert to the opportunities that present themselves. God grant that there is no "too little, too late" apology to make to ourselves when this conflict comes to a close!

## RECEIVES GIFT

The Reverend Noah K. Cho reports that a gift of \$1000 has been made to St. Luke's Korean Church by Mr. Kyung Soon K. Lyum, the warden of this mission, in honor of his wife, who is president of the Woman's Auxiliary. Their daughter, Betsy, helps with the choir and another daughter, Jane, helps with the Church paper. Each night, at 9:00 o'clock, they assemble for a period of family prayer. Prayers for their people and their liberation are made at this time, and for those of their Mission who are in trouble, sorrow, need, or sickness. How well we could all profit by this act of devotion.

# WHAT ARE YOU DOING ABOUT IT?

Your subscription to the Hawaiian Church Chronicle. We have received 238 new subscriptions to this monthly publication, but we need even more, if we are to place it on a self-supporting basis.

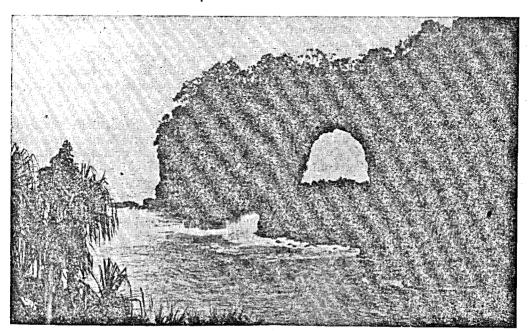
What better way in the world can you spend a dollar—five, ten or more, if you wish—than on this monthly publication of your Bishop? It should be in every home of every Episcopalian in the Diocese, for it is the only means we have of keeping you informed and abreast with the news of your Church in action.

Nothing would give the Bishop more pleasure than to be able to send this news to you without the added plea for a subscription fee—but the cost of printing and mailing must be met. In the past we have received support from those outside our Church for advertising. We have greatly appreciated this support. However, we look toward the day when the Chronicle can become self-supporting through the subscriptions of our members. If every family and every individual in the Diocese would share in this, then the worries of the Treasurer and Bishop would be eliminated.

THE HAWAIIAN CHURCH CHRONICLE is the means by which every bishop and diocese of our Church becomes acquainted with the work we are doing in Hawaii. This good work should go on. But more than that—it should be the means for every Episcopalian in our District to know his Church in action.

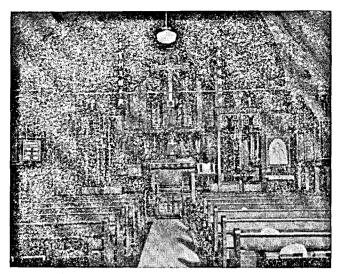
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OUR PARADISE OF THE PACIFIC

Such beautiful scenes as this greet those who find themselves on the Islands. This is the Onomea Arch on the Hamakua Coast, Hawaii.



ST. ELIZABETH'S MISSION

This Chinese Mission, with the Rev. Wai On Shim, vicar, is doing an excellent piece of work with its kindergarten and Church services. It is a beautiful little mission.

# WHO ARE WE?

Was the title of the talk Mrs. Kennedy made to the Diocesan Auxiliary on Friday, March 16th. It is a talk every woman in the District should have heard, for it was forceful and delightful. Mrs. Kennedy is a gifted speaker and always has a charming way of presenting her subject.

In an alphabetical age she spoke of us as the DHBWANCPEC—District of Honolulu Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary of the National Council of the Protestant Episcopal Church. She said, "It is a large name bearing a large responsibility. I am not going to talk about the Woman's Auxiliary of the National Council, nor of the Protestant Episcopal Church—both of which I know something about, but I am going to speak of the Honolulu Branch of all Christendom."

In her opinion the women in Hawaii are confronted with a magnificent opportunity for we are a "training school for civilization" in this Crossroads of the Pacific. and that makes our responsibility even greater in the future. The sacrifices of being a Christian in Hawaii are not great—we do not have the elements to struggle against to make our Church going a sacrifice—we have no discomforts from freezing weather, the fear of frozen engines after the services, etc.—and there is a danger in it because we become lazy in our religious life and lack the appreciation for the blessings that surround us. And in doing that we are liable to neglect the responsibilities that face us as Christians. As women we should note the changes that should be made, and do "as we do with our husbands-when we want a thing, we plant the seed of thought, then

nourish it until he feels it is his and acts". We should know what we desire to do, then push in the direction we wish to go. "Can we neglect housing problems because we know the homeless will not freeze? Can we neglect playgrounds for young people because we do not have elements with which to contend?" she asked.

We were told that our opportunities for a real understanding of the men in service who go into battle and return to us after this trying experience was greater than elsewhere because of the strategicness of this important military area. Here we have a real opportunity to practice in a war zone, but there is a danger in it, for "Will we be too tired to have as much enthusiasm for the adjustment and stimulation of our returning veterans as we have had for war work?"

"When we go into our churches in Honolulu today, which churches are full? Those who have been enjoying the privileges of Christianity for some time or those who have recently been brought into the fellowship of Christ?" It is the new converts who fill the churches-not those who have always heard of Christ and have been persuaded to accept the fellowship of the Church, but those who have just been taught the true meaning of Christ's life. "We are the springboard for the missionary future, but we must avoid the danger of giving money and not ourselves to the opportunities opened by the privileges of living in a missionary district." Those whom we have come to convert are so far ahead of us that one day we may come to the place where we will wonder "who is missionary to who?"

"The three main faults of women," she declared, "are that we love to be martyrs, we talk too much, and have a tendency to want no one to do more good than we do." We should not be concerned whether women are on vestries, or even have the added privilege in our Church of being lay readers, but we should be vitally concerned as to whether we are being leaders for Christ.

"Our responsibilities for which we are accountable to God are: 1. We live in the Paradise of the Pacific and in thankfulness to God, we must be stronger in our Christian character, more ardent in our worship, and more alert to our Christian duties. 2. We have lived more closely to and suffered more with the men and women of this war and for that reason we must demonstrate for God that we have a great ability and understanding to help them in their post-war readjustments. 3. We must be prepared to make ourselves a springboard of strength and enthusiasm for the immense task of carrying Christ to the many, many people who need Him, proving that there is a real Christian unity of practice, for human beings are not so made, but unity of belief so that together we demonstrate the desire to "Go forth" and that in God's eyes there is not a difference in color—only a difference in personality, background, and taste, and that men of all races and color can work and live together as God's children."

She quoted her husband as saying in one of his recent speeches on the mainland, having received a newspaper clipping from a friend "If the Church misses the boat this time, it had better go out of business." "I say to you," she added, "that the women in Honolulu had better not miss the boat. Honolulu has a chance to lead out as no other place could possibly have, not for her glory, but for the glory of God. We are the DHBWANCPEC of Christendom—not women, not Episcopalians, not Caucasians, not Chinese, not Japanese, not Hawaiians, but Christians. Not members of the Church of Honolulu, but members of all Christendom!"

# FRIENDS REJOICE

The many friends of Mrs. Alfred L. Griffiths will rejoice that her sister, Mrs. Juleff Tewksbury has heard from her since her release, with that of her husband and daughter, from the Bilibid Prison at Manila, where they have been interned since the fall of Manila. Mrs. Griffiths was a former teacher at St. Andrew's Priory. Her letter follows:

Bilibid Prison, Manila, P.I. February 10, 1945

Dearest Jul:

Your message received a couple of days ago was the first I'd had from you in three years.. I also received two from Dad and one from Carey—the first I'd heard from Dad also. I had had in the whole three years just one 25 word letter from Carey telling me of Kitty and Sue, and that letter arrived only two months ago.

We have had quite a time, but rejoicing now in being free and in being taken care of by our army. The men, organization, etc., are marvelous. After months of weevily cornmeal mush and wormy rice we are now revelling in army food and will fast gain back our lost weight. I weigh 100 pounds, Al 110, and Katy  $37\frac{1}{2}$ —a bit sylph-like we are, but otherwise OK.

The Yankee tanks rolling in last Sunday took us all by surprise. And it didn't take the Nips long to officially release us and scram. We were glad to see our men! And they to see us, too, as we're the first white people many of them have seen in 35 months. Monday, when the first fire reached to within 100 yards of our front gate, the army evacuated us all-1275 of us (475 of us who had been brought here on December 28th by the Japs from Baguio and 800 war prisoners next door-most of them in terrible shape from torture and starvation). We were at army headquarters Tuesday and then were returned that p m only to find everything looted by the Filipinos. So we are now down to a change of clothing and a blanket each once again. But who cares now! Mac-Arthur was in to visit us Wednesday, and what an ovation we gave him! Watch for Pathe News pictures.

We are still in the front line trenches, so to speak, but are hoping to return home soon. Al does not

want to leave as many of the men from Kaluiga and Abra who were out with us have since died and he may be needed to supplement records, etc. But we are hoping to be in the States by Easter. It seems almost unbelievable to once again be free!

Love to you all,

Nessie (Coles Griffith)

From the New York Herald-Tribune February 8, 1945, the following article appeared:

## Japanese Kept Families Split in Luzon Camp

By Homer Bigart

Manila (Delayed)

The Rev. Alfred L. Griffiths, of Methuen, Mass., former Chaplain of St. George's School at Newport, R. I., told how he, his wife, Mrs. Ernestine Coles Griffiths, and their five-year-old daughter, Katharine, hid in the mountains of northern Luzon for fifteen months before the Japanese caught them and put them in the internment center in Baguio. The Griffiths family were among several missionaries rescued from Bilibid Prison.

#### Tells of Final Capture

Griffiths had the most remote missionary post on Luzon and the Japanese didn't get around to him until the end of April 1943. Meanwhile he had fed and clothed six American airmen who had emerged from the woods. He organized a small guerrilla band and continued his missionary activities until spring, when natives reported 800 Japanese down the trail. Griffiths grabbed his wife and baby and ran into the woods, where they watched breathlessly while the Japanese marched through. "I suppose this was part of the death march from Bataan." he said.

He went back into the village of Balbalasang and resumed his work until the Japanese sent a punitive expedition against the neighboring guerrillas.

"They almost got us," he said. "We escaped by ten minutes when a native boy ran up shouting, "They're right behind, men." We carried the baby across the river and up into the mountains where we hid for six months. We drifted from one guerrilla camp to another. They got us on March 20th. We were living in a little lean-to with Miss Dorothea Tavener, another Episcopal missionary from Liverpool, England. We were out behind the hut when we heard Miss Tavener call, "They're here."

I came down the hill with the baby in one arm and my other one stuck in the air.

Mrs. Griffiths added, "They gave us five minutes to pack blankets, then they burned the house with all our possessions and put the torch to the dispensary, leaving only the chapel, which they used for a barracks. They took us to Balbalasang and kept us under a house for three weeks, with my husband tied to a cot to prevent his escape."

Are you striving that your descendants will be willing to claim you as an ancestor?

# We Travel The Islands

#### OAHU

#### St. Mark's Mission

The Kennedy Kathedral Kleaners have run into a little competition since the arrival of the Rev. and Mrs. Edmund L. Souder. St. Mark's Mission is beginning to lose its "worn down at the heels" appearance since the "Souders' Sweeping Saints" (so christened by the Assistant Editors—we don't know what they call themselves!) have started getting into the corners that needed some first hand attention. When you see what a bit of cleaning can do, you realize the virtue of the expression "Cleanliness is next to Godliness"—for they do walk hand in hand.

The vicarage has taken on the appearance of an attractive residence with its new coat of paint—outside and in—and a new screened-in lanai. Mrs. Souder has played a great part in the added features to the house.

The Church itself has been given some much needed attention. The organ, which had gone the way of all old organs, and had lost its melodious tones, had received the verdict "impossible to fix" by one who makes that his profession. But one of our service men, T/S Lee Young, who is stationed here, took it in hand. After relieving it of an accumulation of such things as balls, lizard eggs, stray bolts, strings, etc., it has lost its huskiness and can be used until a new one can be secured. If we feel we do much for those in service, there are some who do much for us! Sgt. Young, by the way, has attended a service at every one of our missions on Oahu and Kauai, a record few of us could vie with.

#### Diocesan Auxiliary Speakers

During Lent the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary met each Friday at the Cathedral to sew for the Red Cross and some of the missions. They had a program each morning at 11:30 in the Cathedral, then went to Davies Hall for lunch. The programs were most inspiring. Those speaking to the women were Dr. T. A. Jaggar, who chose as his subject "The History of the Episcopal Church in Hawaii"; Dr. Pauline Stitt, who spoke on the "Relationship of the Church to Child and Maternal Welfare", The Rev. Edmund L. Souder, whose many years in China gave his talk on that country an added interest, Mrs. Harry S. Kennedy, whose subject "Who Are We?" was not only delightfully given, but gave much food for thought, and Chaplain Gordon M. Reese, who spoke on "What Lent Means to Me" was received with enthusiasm.

Miss Jessie Turtle was in charge of the arrangements for the talks and is to be congratulated upon her wise selection of speakers.

#### Holy Trinity Church

Carrying out the proposed program for the Army and Navy Commission, headed by Chaplain Gordon M. Reese, the Rev. Lawrence Ozaki planned a service for the dedication of their Honor Roll and Memorial Service. The address was given by Chaplain Reese. There was also a message by Major John W. Gaddi, USA. Holy Trinity Mission has 39 names on their Roll of Honor, which has been beautifully made by Tadashi Kusuhara. It was made of Philippine mahogany. It is a most fitting memorial for those who are in the service of our country. A gold cross is beside the names of three members who have made the supreme sacrifice.

#### St. Clement's Church

New Chancel steps were installed by one of the Vestrymen, Mr. George Gray, so there are now two steps instead of one, and as the rector, The Rev. E. Tanner Brown says, "the area between the pulpit and lectern is filled so that now there is no chance of one stepping off into space." All improvements to any parish merit comment.

During the absence of the Bishop to the mainland Dr. Brown, as chairman of the Council of Advice and Archdeacon of Honolulu, acted as "Bishop in Charge". His ever gracious willingness to lend assistance and advice to the Diocesan Office is not only appreciated by the Bishop but by those seeking his counsel. In connection with this we mention the aid of our Chancellor, Mr. Arthur G. Smith, who gives much of his time and advice to matters that always present themselves in the absence of a Bishop. We are most fortunate to have these men to lean upon, for we know they have the welfare of the diocese very much at heart.

Mr. George Gray and Mr. George Pope have hung the bell at St. Clement's so that it now rings—the first time since the first service in the new Church in April 1942. It needed a correction before it could be made to ring.

A Scout Troop has been formed at St. Clement's. Dr. Vernon Smith is leader of the group and very delighted to have so many interested in it.

#### Hawaiian Congregation of St. Andrew's Cathedral

Miss Maude Walker is now in charge of the Church School for the congregation, having taken over the work of Sister Deborah. She has some new teachers working with her and we have heard through many channels that the Church School is increasing in attendance and enjoying the supervision that Miss Walker is giving them. To know that her work is forging ahead to even greater heights should be a source of great satisfaction to Sister Deborah, who labored hard to make this so successful.

#### St. Elizabeth's Mission

The Rev. Wai On Shim has been sending those who have gone from his parish into the service of their country letters of cheer and interest. He has had many answers of appreciation for the interest of the Church in them. This is one of the best mediums the Church has of letting those who have gone from the parish know that they are prayerfully remembered by their Church.

#### St. John's-by-the-Sea

In our last issue of the Chronicle we wrote that Willis Deits, USN, a member of the Bishop's former parish in Colorado Springs, had taken pictures of St. John's-by-the-Sea so that they might be sent to the Diocese of Colorado, to be used by Bishop Ingley in stimulating interest for helping this Church through the Lenten Mite Box offering in Colorado. A letter from him on February 28th from "down under" states: "Out here we are very close, but seem very remote from such activity as missions, so I am enclosing ten dollars for St. John's. It is a real pleasure for me to know the missionary project I am interested in." So he has helped in another way to give St. John's-by-the-Sea the aid we so anxiously hope will be given to this mission.

Mrs. Kenneth Day received a letter from Mrs. Donald Roberts, a former teacher at the Priory, with a check for St. John's-by-the-Sea. "Before Christmas I had a letter from Mrs. White telling me of the plan of the Woman's Auxiliary to help pay off the debt on the priest's cottage at St. John's-by-the-Sea. It would give me a real pleasure to feel that I had some part in that cottage, and so I am sending this check for five dollars. Will you please add it to your fund? This money was given me by a group of Presbyterian and Methodist women in a little village near Princeton after I had taken part in their World Day of Prayer services, with a short talk on China. So you see that through a most strange combination comes this small contribution to your cottage fund.

"To all of us our experience in Honolulu has been one of the richnesses of life. The first time when Donald (her husband and brother of Bishop Roberts of Shanghai) taught at Iolani we did not know how miraculously the way was being prepared for the children's and my return when we had to evacuate from China. Such kindness as was shown to us can

never be forgotten.

"As you may know, Donald came back on the last Gripsholm exchange from China. Although he was thin and stooped, his spirits were excellent and his time in the internment camp was a time of fine companionship with men of all groups. He is looking forward to his return to Free China, where a branch of the mission university hopes to open."

#### MAUI

#### Matters Are Well in Hand

We hear from members of the Vestry of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Wailuku, that Mr. Harold W. Smith has started his work there with enthusiasm. He is being loaned to Wailuku until June. He has a class of eleven for Confirmation in the making. His ordination will be held April 3rd, in the Cathedral at 10:00 a. m.

#### **KAUAI**

#### Visit Kauai

Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Smith visited Kauai to look over the field at Kilauea, on February 28th. They will go there in June to start work at Christ Memorial Church.

#### March 5th An Important Date

There has been a great need for a kindergarten in Eleele community for some time. The parents of children in the community had for some time wished the Rev. Thurlow Baker to see what could be done to start such a thing. On March 5th the kindergarten was officially opened with 40 children in attendance a capacity crowd. Many parents were disappointed that their children could not attend. Deaconess Sarah F. Swinburne assisted with the program; Mrs. Baker, a registered nurse, is assisting with the school, and Miss Teruko Oka, superintendent of the Church School of St. John's Mission, Eleele, is giving full time to teaching. Miss Harumi Sakai is assisting.

The following comes from the leaves of the February 15th issue of "The Kauaian":

#### St. Anne's Chapel Dedicated

A crowd that packed St. Anne's Filipino Chapel attended the dedication of this Chapel in Camp 2 on McBryde Plantation last Friday night, February 9th. After a service of dedication which was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Baker assisted by Mr. Antone Cacatian, Lay Reader in charge of all Filipino church work, a program was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone present. Mr. Fausto Cabanting was master of ceremonies and also spoke a word of greeting and appreciation for the Church before introducing numbers on the program. Mr. Ambrosio Claro spoke briefly but forcefully on the importance of unity among his people also noting with appreciation the work of the Church among Filipinos and ending with a word of encouragement for the continued progress of the Church. Several charming young ladies lent grace to the evening through their singing of church hymns. They were Marcelina Pascual, Veronica Ancheta, Josephine Cacatian, and Miss Teruko Oka, St. John's Church secretary and church schools superintendent. Cake and cold drinks were served. As the evening drew to a close everyone returned to his home deeply conscious that here in a humble chapel of a plantation camp the Spirit of God was actively present in the hearts of a people who loved Him and longed to worship in His House.

#### The Parson's Error

Being a parson is one thing and making an error is another, but if you put the two together you have something that is hard to live down. This is the true life story of a city parson, converted for country use, who made a mistake that he will be long in living down. When the Rev. Mr. Baker asked the

Bishop for assistance in his field especially for work among older non-English speaking Japanese people, he brazenly "hinted" that the Rev. Andrew N. Otani was the right man for this field. Andrew Otani accepted the challenge, left his city parish, got on a boat with his family one day and sailed from Honolulu to Kauai to begin on his new job-sight unseen. Now, the Rev. Mr. Otani's mistake was not leaving the city for the country, but in his opinion, formed after a brief inspection of the field, that there was only a very small job here in the country as compared with the city. Days and weeks pass by and once again we look at the "once city now country" parson. Is he sitting at a desk pondering some mode of filling in idle hours? Hardly! Mr. Otani's concern now is finding enough time to snatch a brief hour or two to be at his desk for he is not only a very, very busy man but a popular one as well as much beloved by the young people whom he has come to serve.

Chapel services in all parts of Kauai, parish calling, English classes for those who would learn our tongue, interpreting at community programs, memorial services, activities for our young people, help in family problems, assisting the priest-in-charge of St. John's Church, whenever needed-all of these things and more fill to overflowing each and every day in the life of the Rev. Mr. Otani. Our parson has made a real place for himself in the community and in the hearts of us all—he has a larger field than he ever dreamed of. A small field, few people, little to do? That was "The Parson's Error" the magnitude of which could be judged by anyone caring to spend a day with him. We welcome Mr. Otani to Kauai, wish him continued success with the assurance that he is now a real "institution" in St. John's Parish and we couldn't do without him!

#### HAWAII

#### Christ Church Loses Faithful Member

A most devoted member was lost to Christ Church by the death of Miss Ellen Hall, who did not recover from the effects of a broken hip. She died February 10th at Kealakekua. Miss Hall came to Hawaii in 1873 from the Isle of Monsarratt, British West Indies. She was the sister of the late Mrs. E. W. Greenwell and Robert Hall. She would have been 92 years old in June.

A host of friends mourn her passing. Our little mission at Kona benefitted greatly by her generosity and interest. She was an aunt of Mrs. Gerald E. Bryant of Honolulu.

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Mr. William Buttles The Missionary District of Honolulu Queen Emma Square Honolulu 43, Hawaii

Dear Mr. Buttles:

Thank you very much indeed for your kind letter of January 23rd telling me something of the 43rd Annual Convocation of the District of Honolulu. I appreciate very much indeed having received the word of greeting from the Convocation, and if you can express my appreciation through the pages of THE HAWAIIAN CHRONICLE, I would appreciate it.

I have just had the most pleasant kind of contact with Bishop Kennedy, first at the meeting of the House of Bishops in Birmingham, and then at the meeting of the National Council in New York. He gave an inspiring Missionary address before the Council. It was a moving appeal in behalf of the Missionary cause generally, and specifically for the opportunities that confront us in the Hawaiian Islands. I was proud of him.

THE CHRONICLE does keep me informed as to changes that are occurring in the District. I have read with much interest of every one of these, and as fast as they happen have made a mental note to the effect that "Bishop Kennedy is wise; that is just what should be done".

The whole District is to be congratulated upon the acceptance of the post at St. Andrew's Cathedral by the Reverend Anson P. Stokes. He is a man of rare personality and background and ability. I believe that under his leadership there is a new day before the Cathedral congregation. It will be very inspiring to have a man of his caliber at the heart of things in St. Andrew's. Give him a warm welcome when he comes, and follow his leadership with spirit and devotion, and only good can come from it all.

Before I close, please accept my very best wishes for Iolani School. I remember so pleasantly my two visits there, and especially one opportunity when I addressed the boys of the School in their morning assembly. Give them my warmest greeting, please.

With all best wishes for you and every boy in the School, I am

Ever cordially yours,

STEPHEN E. KEELER.

#### THE CHURCH'S FUNCTION

To keep alive within any human society the sense of the reality of Good and Evil as absolutes, independent of the convention of society, or the ordinance of the secular state, is the function of a church.—
J. Middleton Murry.

## THE RELIGIOUS LIFE

Is there a parish Priest anywhere who could honestly say that he does not need more trained workers?

In these days of specialized work, the Church realizes her need of the services of Church women who are trained in religion and who perform their labors for the love of God and by the grace of God.

So often Religious Communities are impressed with the fact that Church people tolerate them because they perform certain types of work unusually well and require the least in material remuneration. They are apt to forget that these qualities are the outcome of a certain character development which takes time and sacrifice to build up. Whenever a group of Religious does a special work exceptionally well, it is not so often because of great talent, brains, or energy as it is because the Spirit of God is working through the character of the individual members of that group in spite of personal faults. The Spirit of God is able to use these individuals because they have dedicated their lives to Him. God called them to this state of life and they responded wholeheartedly-in mind, body, and soul-and from the moment of that response. God could begin to develop the kind of character He needed to do whatever work He wanted done. This, we call training in the Religious Life. It is a long, slow process and of course can be best and most easily accomplished when begun in youth.

In the many generations of Religious who have loved God and served the Church, there have evolved methods of training, largely depending upon the aims of the various Orders, or upon the age, or the climate, or upon other circumstances.

The American Church has Religious Communities in many parts of the Country. Every one of them is in great need of candidates for the work they have already undertaken and for works they are constantly being asked to undertake.

Our Mother Foundress used to reply to the importunate demands of Bishops and Sisters. "You send me candidates to train in the Religious Life and I will see that you have Sisters working in your Diocese." Sometimes the Bishops made good in this matter by encouraging, teaching, preaching, and educating their people about the Religious Life and thus were able to send candidates to the Community.

Church people sometimes take Religious too much for granted. They assume that Sisters are a peculiar type of women who just happen to be there and are doing a good work. They think no further about it. As a matter of fact most WORK that Religious do could be done just as well by any Church people. The difference is that the consecration of the Religious, and the life of seclusion and prayer enable God to extend His grace and power into the situation. Good works done by a Religious Community are God's work done by just folks who have responded to God's call.

The Church needs to expand its types of work. Much of the Christian work that has been taken over by the State should be done by the Church—care and

teaching of children; care of the aged and sick; visiting of prisoners, the poor, and the oppressed; care of the feeble-minded and delinquent. These are all difficult and unromantic works in which the Church should be leading the way to better conditions. Where women are needed to do a woman's work for God's people, the Religious is the ideal worker, not only because of her character and consecration but because of her communal living and directed life organization.

We ask you as Church people to encourage this and to lend your power and teaching opportunities to the development of the Religious Life.



Frequently we have been asked the meaning of our Diocesan Seal. The Hawaiian words "He Lanakila Ma Ke Kea" and Crown and Cross mean "Victory through the Cross."

#### CAN WE BE HAPPY?

We do not need a tranquil and secure world about us before we can begin to be happy. We are all with John Frantzen on the sinking ship, whether our brief moment in eternity holds another seven minutes or seventy years. We are all following The Way of the Cross from Cana to Calvary, and our hearts will burn within us and our pulse will beat with joy if we break bread with the Companion who is with us always, even unto the end of the world.—William Alfred Eddy.

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