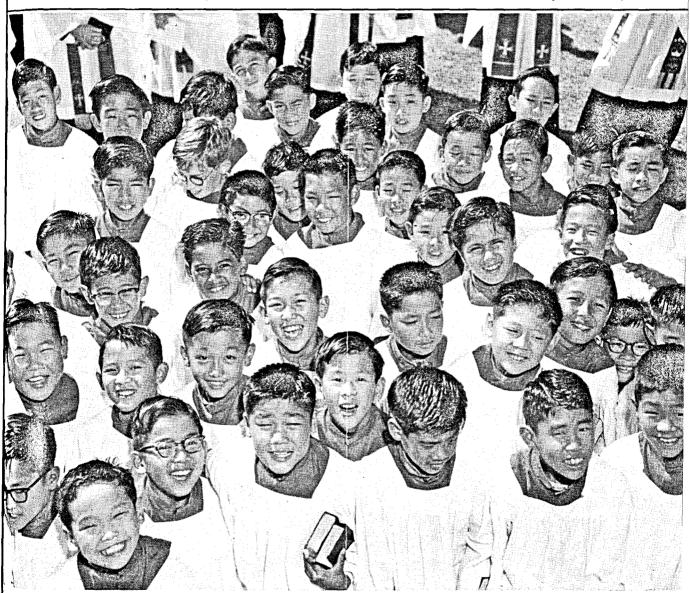
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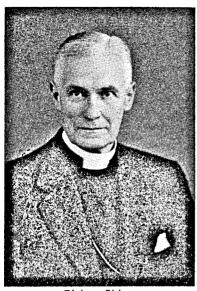
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Fifth Grade Choir at Iolani School who sang for the service of Ordination to the Priesthood for the Reverend Eugene Harvey Buxton, Jr.



Bishop Shires

Bishop Shires to be Guest of Convocation

The Right Reverend Henry Herbert Shires, D.D., S.T.D., Suffragan Bishop of California, will be our guest for Convocation. We feel very fortunate to have him come for this 54th Annual Convocation of the District.

Bishop Shires was Dean of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific until his election as Suffragan Bishop of California. He was consecrated Bishop in 1950. He is a graduate of Cornell University and the General Theological Seminary, and a member of Beta Theta Phi Social fraternity. He was editor and contributor of "Christianity and the Contemporary Scene" and Co-author (with Dr. Pierson Parker) of "Exposition on Deuteronomy" new Interpreter's Bible. He was much beloved as Dean of CDSP and is known as a very fine speaker.

We look forward to his arrival in Honolulu and rejoice that he can be our guest for this occasion.

Youth Conference

The 54th Annual Convocation of the Missionary District will be held February 3-8, 1956. It will start on Friday night with the Youth Conference, which will be held at Iolani School. This will be a banquet in the School Cafeteria at which Bishop Shires will be the guest speaker. The all day sessions on Saturday will start with Holy Communion at 8 A.M., at which the Bishop will be celebrant. The Reverend Robert Challinor, in charge of the Diocesan Youth Work, has made plans for a very stimulating conference. The topic for discussion will be "Christian Youth Confront Delinquency". The Reverend Kenneth Rewick, Chaplain of Punahou School, will be the principal speaker on this subject. Mrs. James Tabor and Captain Leon Straus will lead in some of the discussions.

54th Annual Convocation

Opening Service

The Opening Service of Convocation, at which we hope all of our members will be in attendance, will be held in St. Andrew's Cathedral on Sunday, February 5th, at 7:30 P.M. The Bishop will give his annual address at this time. The choirs of Oahu, under the direction of Mr. William Thaanum, Choirmaster and Organist of St. Andrew's Cathedral, will sing and march in procession. Clergy and Lay Readers will also be in procession. Assisting in the service will be the Rev. Messrs.: Eugene Harvey Buxton, Jr., Alfred C. Krader, and Chester G. Minton. The Very Reverend James S. Cox is in charge of arrangements for the service

Following the service a reception will be held in the Cathedral grounds. The St. Clement's Woman's Auxiliary is in charge of arrangements for this.

Convocation Program

The business session of Convocation will be held in Tenney Memorial Hall. This will be preceded by a service of Holy Communion in the Cathedral. The Bishop will be celebrant and he will be assisted by Dean Cox, the Rev. Robert Challinor, The Rev. Samuel Van Culin, Jr., the Rev. Robert Sheeran, and the Ven. Norman R. Alter. A meditation on "Our Witnessing Community" will be conducted by the Ven. Claude F. Du Teil, Archdeacon of Maui. The Iolani Boys Choir, directed by Mr. Leslie Kittle, will sing for this service.

Breakfast will be served to the clergy and delegates of Convocation at St. Peter's Church. The Woman's Auxiliary of Holy Nativity Church will be in charge of this and the women of St. Peter's Parish will have charge of the table arrangements.

Noon Day prayers and another meditation will be given by the Rev. Gerald G. Gifford II, Vicar of St. Stephen's-in-the-Fields, Wahiawa.

During the morning the moving picture of General Convention will be shown. In the afternoon, immediately following luncheon in Davies Hall, which will be served by the Woman's Auxiliary and Guild of St. Andrew's Cathedral, colored slides of General Convention will be shown.

Diocesan Banquet

The Very Rev. James S. Cox, Dean of St. Andrew's Cathedral, will be Toastmaster at the Banquet, which will be held at 6:30 P.M. at the Reef Hotel. Mrs. Gordon Halstead is in charge of table arrangements. Mrs. Homer Hayes, of St. Andrew's Cathedral Hawaiian Congregation, will be in charge of the music.

Guest speaker for the occasion will be Bishop Shires. He will be the only speaker at the banquet.

Woman's Auxiliary Annual Meeting

Mrs. George Goss will preside over the business sessions of the Annual Meeting for the Woman's Auxiliary. The sessions will start with Holy Communion in the Cathedral at 8:00 A.M., with the Bishop celebrating. He will be assisted by the Rev. Messrs: Lawrence H. Ozaki, James S. Nakamura, Paul Kim, and Norman C. Ault.

The St. Andrew's Priory Choir will sing for this service, under the direction of Sister Evelyn Ancilla, C. T.

A coffee hour will be held in the Diocesan House following this service. The women of St. George's and Good Samaritan churches will be in charge of this.

Bishop Shires will greet the women with a short message. The Reverend William R. Grosh will be in charge of the Noon Day Prayers.

In the afternoon the Reverend Gerald G. Gifford, II, will conduct a discussion of "Finding Strength in Bible Study."

Wednesday morning, at 9:00 A.M., in Davies Hall, Mrs. Paul Wheeler, wife of the Reverend Mr. Wheeler, of St. Clement's Church, will conduct a discussion on Program Planning for the Woman's Auxiliary.

Dinner for Clergy and Clergy Wives

Tuesday night, at 6:30 P.M., Bishop and Mrs. Kennedy will entertain the clergy and their wives at a dinner to be held at the Princess Kaiulani Hotel.

Clergy Conference

Bishop Shires will conduct the Clergy Conference on Wednesday, February 8th, at the Diocesan House. The clergy will have a service of Holy Communion at Parke Memorial Chapel at 8:00 A.M. The Bishop will be celebrant. This is for the clergy only. He will be assisted by the Rev. Canon Burtis M. Dougherty, The Rev. Allen J. Downey, and the Rev. E. Lani Hanchett.

Mrs. Elsie Kastenbein, Housemother for Cluett House, has invited the clergy to breakfast at Cluett House, following the Holy Communion Service.



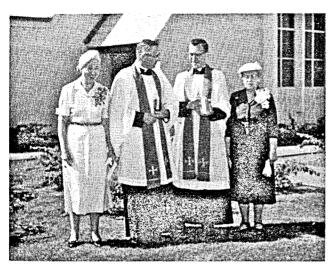
The Rev. and Mrs. Chester G. Minton, St. Christopher's Parish, Kailua who arrived January 3rd to start his new work here.

All Invited to Attend

It is the sincere hope of the Bishop that as many of our people as possible will place on their calendar the Opening Service, the Diocesan Banquet, the Business Meeting of Convocation, and the Holy Communion Services. The work of the Diocese is best seen through the medium of Convocation and the reports that will be made. The Bishop's Annual Address gives a clear picture of achievements of the year and the charge for the new year. This is definitely a Convocation for us all — not just delegates representing the congregations, and clergy.

Has Brief Stay in Honolulu

The Rev. Canon William Heffner stopped briefly in Honolulu enroute to Okinawa. His ship docked in Honolulu on Monday night, January 23rd, and left Tuesday afternoon, on the 24th. It was good to have even a brief visit with him before his return to Okinawa. He was with us fcr General Convention, then went to the mainland on his furlough. He was assigned a very heavy speaking cur by National Council so that our churches might have a first-hand opportunity to hear about our work in this mission field. He spent some time in Richmond, Virginia, visiting his mother. His many friends in Honolulu were more than happy to have an opportunity to see him even briefly.



Mrs. Eugene H. Buxton, The Rev. Eugene Harvey Buxton, Sr., the Rev. Eugene Harvey Buxton, Jr., and Mrs. Jessie Buxton, Grandmother of the young Rev. Mr. Buxton, taken at the time of his Ordination to the Priesthood.

Ordained to the Priesthood

The Reverend Eugene Harvey Buxton, Jr, was ordained to the Priesthood by the Bishop on Friday, January 6th, on the Feast of the Epiphany, at St. Alban's Chapel, Iolani School, at a most impressive service.

He was presented to the Bishop by his father, The Reverend Mr. Buxton, Sr, Rector of St. James' Church, Wooster, Ohio. Everyone privileged to be present for this service could not help but be moved by the Ordination Sermon preached by his father, and by the charge given to his son.

The Preface to the Ordinal was read by the Rev. Paul R. Savanack, the Litany by the Rev. Canon Frederick A. McDonald, the Epistle by the Rev. Samuel Van Culin, Jr., the Gospel by the Rev. John J. Morrett. Assisting with the administration of Holy Communion were the Very Rev. James S. Cox, the Rev. Robert H. Challinor, and the Rev. Canon Burtis M. Dougherty. Music for the service was offered by the Fifth Grade Choir of Iolani School. Master of Ceremonies was the Rev. Evans D. Scroggie.

Take Services in Hilo

During the interim when Holy Apostles Church, Hilo, Hawaii, is without a Vicar until someone is appointed to succeed the Rev. Robert Sheeran, the Rev. Hugh L. S. Thompson will have a service of Holy Communion every Sunday at 7:30 A.M. and on the second Sunday of the month celebrate at the Family Service. Mr. William H. Fullaway will direct the Lay Readers, John Rickard, Sr., Norman Deverill and Ludwig Wedemeyer in conducting all other services.

Awarded the Bishop's Cross

At a luncheon honoring him and given by the clergy on Oahu, Mr. Joseph Reed, for the past ten years Treasurer of the Diocese, was awarded the Bishop's Cross for Distinguished Service in the Missionary District of Honolulu by the Bishop. The luncheon was held on January 19th at the Armed Services YMCA. The cross was given in recognition of the many contributions that Mr. Reed has made to this missionary district in the years that he has served. A substantial gift of money from all the churches and institutions of the Islands was also preented to Mr. Reed at this time.

Mr. Reed and his family will leave on February 27th, on the Lurline, for the mainland, where he expects to further his study in music. His last civic appearance in the music circles of Honolulu was at the Symphony given at Kailua, when he was guest soloist, on January 24.

It is with deep regret that we bid Aloha to the Reed family, but we send them forth wishing them God's richest blessings in all they may do, and with our fond Aloha.

X-Ray Machine for Okinawa

A crying need for Okinawa has been a portable X-Ray machine to minister to the many people there who suffer from tuberculosis. The plea for this machine came through our church people there, so with the help of the United States Navy the Bishop has finally received word that the machine can be obtained for these people. Rear Admiral G. E. Olsen, Commandant of the 14th Naval Distric Rear Admiral J. L. Herlihy, of the Naval Supply Center in Honolulu, Rear Admiral R. J. Arnold, Chief of this Bureau in Washington, D.C., and Secretary of the Navy, Charles Thomas have all worked on securing this for Okinawa. Mr. Ernest W. Greene, of Honolulu and Washington, D.C., played a great part in making contacts.

It is with gratitude that we thank the Navy for the help given us in securing this X-Ray for these Okinawans.

New Diocesan Assistant Treasurer And Accountant

Mr. Robert McCuaig has been appointed Assistant Treasurer and Accountant in the Treasurer's Office to replace Mr. Harold Waldegrave, who found that he could not assume this work due to his health. Mr. McCuaig was former treasurer for the Schumann Carriage Company. We feel that his acceptance of this position will be a great asset to our work and a real addition to the Diocesan Staff.

Lenten Prayer Card

The Department of Christian Education for the Diocese, under the leadership of The Rev. Burton L. Linscott, is preparing a Lenten Prayer Card for family use. It will be ready for distribution at the time of Convocation. It is the hope of the Bishop and the Department that every family faithfully use the card.

Welcome New Son

The Reverend and Mrs. David P. Coon, of St. James' Mission, Kamuela, Hawaii, welcomed a son Paul Matthew, on December 27th. This is their second child. We welcome this new member of our Diocesan Family with affection and extend congratulations to the parents.

Ground Breaking Service

On Friday, January 6th, ground was broken at a service at St. Timothy's Church. The foundation has been laid and the work is going along rapidly on this new structure. The Bishop, assisted by the Reverend Robert Jones, conducted the service. The Annual Meeting for the mission followed the service, held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Davis.

The Reverend Robert Sheeran, who is the new Vicar for the Mission, arrived from Hilo with his family on January 18th to start his work and go ahead with the building plans for St. Timothy's and St. George's, Pearl Harbor, where he is also the Vicar.

Aloha and Thanks

The Board of Governors, the Headmaster, faculty and students of the Hawaii Episcopal Academy in Kamuela, Hawaii, wish to extend their warm appreciation to the members of the clergy and their wives and to the members of the various congregations who gave so generously of their time, effort and money to make the Fashion Show at the Hawaiian Village a grand success. Over \$900 was realized from the venture, which was so graciously sponsored by the Betty Higgins Dress Shop.

Gifts to the Diocese

Word has come to us from the Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary of National Council that the United Thank Offering has presented the following gifts toward our work in Hawaii:

\$10,000 toward the new church for Calvary Mission, Kaneohe

\$10,000 for the new St. Timothy's Church in Aiea

\$10,000 for a new classroom building at the Hawaii Episcopal Academy

\$20,000 toward the Kindergarten building at Naha, Okinawa

News of these grants reached the Bishop just before Christmas and made the entire Diocese rejoice and give thanks. This is a tremendous help and will mean much to all of us. We extend our deep gratitude to the Executive Board and all who shared in making this possible.



Confirmation Class presented recently at All Saints' Church, Kapaa, Kauai. Candidates were from all the churches on Kauai. Clergy standing in back, with the Bishop, are left to right: The Rev. Samuel N. McCain, Jr., The Ven. Norman R. Alter, and the Rev. Alfred C. Krader.

On Iolani Board of Governors

A 93 year precedent has been broken with the addition of two women to the Board of Governors, Iolani School. Mrs. Carter Galt and Mrs. Gordon Ross were recently elected to four-year terms, to fulfill plans and desires going back over several years on the part of many current members of the Board.

Women have been taking an ever increasingly active part in the government of the Episcopal Church and its institutions during recent years. The National Council as well as the parish vestries in the Diocese of Honolulu have for many years had some women, as well as men, active parties in their organizations. Administrative heads and clergymen feel that they deepen the insight into the problems which their organizations are faced with.

Both new board members are well known for their social and civic activities. Mrs. Ross has been with the Department of Public Instruction for 34 years and is a member of St. Clement's Church. Mrs. Galt, is a most active civic leader and a member of St. Andrew's Cathedral Parish.

Christmas Offering for Formosa

Holy Nativity Church, Aina Haina, took up a special offering for our Church in Taipei. The new church was used for the first time for Christmas services. It was a time of great rejoicing for this congregation.

St. Peter's Sunday School, Honolulu, also took a special offering at Christmas for this church.

We congratulate these churches for helping our church members in Formosa by giving these offerings.



The men of Grace Church, Molokai, repair the roof of the building given to the Church by the County of Maui-

Grace Church, Molokai Adds Educational Building

Last August Grace Church at Hoolehua, Molokai, was the recipient of one of several surplus Army buildings given to churches and other institutions by the County of Maui from the Hoolehua Airport. The building, 73 by 25 feet was moved in two sections to the Church property where it will be used for several large classrooms for the primary department of the Church School and for a new Church office.

All of the carpentry work on the building is being done by the congregation with work gangs turning out each week-end. Pictured above are most of the 16 men and boys who recently put a new roof on the building. The entire job was completed in one day.

Present plans are to erect a play yard in the quadrangle area bounded by the present Church and parish hall building, the vicarage, the Educational building and the back boundary of the Church lot. The congregation hopes to have the new classrooms and play yard completed and equipped before Easter.

Offering to Aid Three Projects

GREENWICH, Conn. — The 1956 Church School Missionary Offering was allocated for advance work projects in three missionary districts of the Episcopal Church by the National Council of the Church, meeting here in quarterly session. The three districts chosen were the Missionary District of Spokane, the Missionary District of South Dakota, and the Missionary District of Liberia.

New Churches for Washington
In the Missionary District of Spokane, the money will

be used to purchase church sites, build new churches, and expand existing church facilities in the rapidly-growing Columbia River Basin.

In South Dakota, the offering will be used to improve educational facilities for Indian youth at three Church schools: St. Mary's School, Hare School, and St. Elizabeth's School.

In Liberia, the money will be used to aid, rehabilitate, and build village schools, some of the Offering allocated to Liberia will go to Cuttington College and Divinity School, a Church-sponsored institution in Suakoko.

Presiding Bishop's Statement

The Rt. Rev. Henry Knox Sherrill, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, in a statement on the allocation of the Church School Missionary Offering, said, in part: "Now is the time to strike with power. Let us establish the Church now . . . Here is a plan which enables our church schools to make a definite and significant contribution."

Things You Won't Regret

Doing a kind act.

Keeping vour temper under insult.

Telling the truth when a lie would have helped.

Refusing to listen to malicious gossip.

Not mailing that cutting, unkind letter.

Getting up every time you fall.

Trying always to better your best.

Holding to your purpose when others insisted you were on the wrong track.

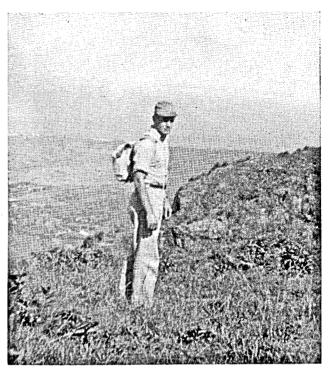
Keeping faith with yourself at any cost, and holding fast to your ideals.

— Anonymous

Confirmation for 1955
Island of Oahu
Calvary—20
Epiphany—16
Holy Nativity—79
Holy Trinity—16
St. Alban's, Iolani—5
St. Andrew's Cathedral Parish—87
St. Andrew's Hawaiian Congregation—87
St. Andrew's Priory-5
St. Christopher's—37
St. Clement's—54
St. Elizabeth's—31
St. George's—48
St. John's-by-the-Sea—12
St. Luke's—16
St. Mark's—28
St. Mary's—10
St. Matthew's—10
St. Peter's—27
St. Stephen's—37
St. Timothy's—17
Island of Hawaii
Christ Church, Kealakekua—4
Holy Apostles, Hilo—14
St. Augustine's, Kohala—7
St. James', Kamuela—6 St. James', Papaaloa—1
St. James', Papaaloa—1
St. Paul's, Makapala—1
Island of Kauai
All Saints, Kapaa—23
Christ Memorial, Kilauea—8
St. John's, Eleele—1
St. Paul's, Kekaha—2
Island of Maui
Good Shepherd, Wailuku—13
Holy Innocents, Lahaina—12
St. John's, Waikoa, Kula—16
Island of Molokai
Grace Church, Hoolehua—6
Okinawa
House of Prayer, Airakuen—30
Holy Spirit, Izena Shima—7
St. Peter's and St. Paul's, Mawashi—13
St. John's, Nago-5
St. Luke's, Sumuide, Yagagi—26
All Souls, Kadena—8
All Saints, Shimabukuro—13
Formosa
Episcopal Church, Taipei—100
Episcopal Church, Kangshan and
Episcopal Church, Kaohsiung—116
Total for Hawaii

Total for Okinawa and Formosa

GRAND TOTAL 1074



The Rev. W. Edwin Bonsey, Jr., on his way to conduct services at the Leper Colony on the Island of Molokai.

Molokai Settlement Churchmen Served By Vicar of Grace Church

Pictured above is the Rev. Edwin Bonsey, Jr., Vicar of Grace Church, Molokai, as he begins on Christmas Day to descend the 1600 foot cliffs of Molokai to take the Holy Communion to church people at the Hansen's Disease Settlement at Kalaupapa.

After a long walk down the trail (the only connection between the Kalaupapa peninsula and the Island proper, other than by air), and a little refreshment and change of clothes at a staff home in the Settlement, services are held in the hospital ward for the few Church people among the patients and staff at Kalaupapa.

Mr. Bonsey has been visiting the Settlement once each month.

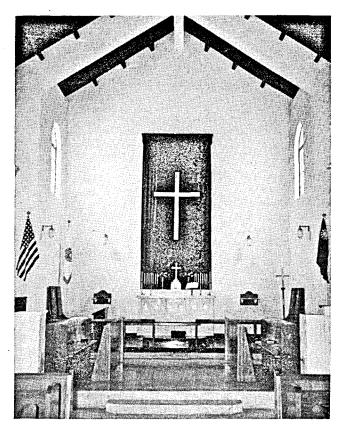
In the background, at left, can be seen the Kalaupapa Settlement.

Assists in Diocesan Office

Mrs. Raymond Hoefener has again rendered much assistance in the Diocesan Office in preparation for the Convocation. She gives faithfully of her time and service and it is acknowledged with grateful appreciation by the Bishop and staff.

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Interior of All Saints' Church, Taipei, Formosa, where the first services were held in the new church at Christmas.

Iolani Entrance Examinations

Because applications for enrollment have far exceeded the 900-student capacity of Iolani School during recent years, arrangements have been completed to hold entrance examinations earlier than in the past. In this way, it will be possible to give the most careful screening to each applicant, and to assure upholding the high scholastic standing of the school. As a Church school, the administration is anxious to have boys who are church members.

Applicants for kindergarten will be individually tested, by appointment, anytime after March 1st. Examinations for elementary students, grades 1 through 7 will be held on March 10. March 17 is reserved for Grades 8 and 9; while Grades 10 and 11 will be examined on March 24.

Applications for admission can be obtained at Episcopal churches throughout Oahu, or may be obtained direct from the Iolani School office, where complete information concerning tuition charges is also available. The forms should be completely filled out and returned to the school at least one week before the examination for the particular class is held.

The Rev. Canon Frederick A. McDonald, rector, will hold personal interviews with parents and boys who have

successfully met the school's scholastic requirements after the examinations have been completed.

Throughout its 93 year history, Iolani School has held uppermost the ideal that high scholastic standing shall be foremost. The great percentage of Iolani graduates who have gone on to colleges throughout the mainland, many on scholarships, attests to the achievement of that goal. A complete sports program is offered, and the Red Raiders can always be counted upon to give of their best in every sports category. Every student attends a brief Chapel service daily, and classes in Religious Education are included in the required courses.

Here is an opportunity for our church boys to achieve as fine an education as is offered anywhere; to participate in all phases of a sports program where good sportsmanship is paramount to the score of the game — to attend a school founded under the patronage of King Kamehameha IV, and dedicated to the furtherance of God's work in His kingdom.

Early requests for applications for admission are urged.

— Larry Grant

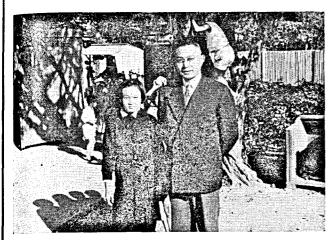
First Events at Iolani

St. Alban's Chapel on the Iolani campus established two "firsts" to start off the new year. On January 6, the Rev. E. Harvey Buxton Jr. was ordained to the Priesthood, and on the following day two of Iolani's young teachers joined in Holy wedlock.

The Rev. Mr. Buxton's ordination — the first to be held in the Chapel — was especially colorful since the Ordinand's father, the Rev. Eugene H. Buxton, Sr., rector of St. James' Church, Wooster, Ohio, preached the sermon and presented his son to the Bishop for ordination. Those fortunate enough to attend this most colorful and impressive ceremony will long remember the sincerity with which the senior Mr. Buxton addressed the challenge to his son in the performance of his future ministry.

Simple, but equally impressive, was the service which saw Miss Maxine Hubbard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Hubbard of Lyons, Kansas, become the bride of Mr. Phillip Dolan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Graham Dolan of Denver, Colorado. Their wedding marked the first time the Chapel had been used for such a service involving persons directly associated with the school.

The young people met during the past summer when both were employed by Yellowstone National Park. In September, Mr. Dolan came to Iolani as a teacher of American history in the upper grades. In letters to his fiance, he praised the beauty of the Islands to such an extent that on December 1 she made application as a teacher. Her application was propitiously timed for it arrived just when Mrs. Hazel McDermott, who has served the school faithfully since 1949, expressed a desire to retire from active teaching.



Mr. Mark Ma, a Postulant from All Saints' Church, Taipei, Formosa, and his wife. He has entered Moore Theological College in Newton, New South Wales to start his studies, so that he may return to Taipei and assist with our work.

Miss Hubbard arrived in the Islands shortly before Christmas, taught her first class in one of the second grade Section on January 3, and married on January 7!

Iolani School's Ninth Grade Basketball team visited the west coast during the Christmas holidays with their coach, Mr. Chuck Halter and the principal of the school, Mr. Paul Simpson. The boys won five out of the six games played in various towns and communities from San Diego to Los Angeles.

The lads made a wonderful impression wherever they went, and needless to say had a wonderful time. They were guests aboard the aircraft carrier Shangri-La, visited the Moulin Rouge in Hollywood and had choice seats at the Rose Bowl Game.

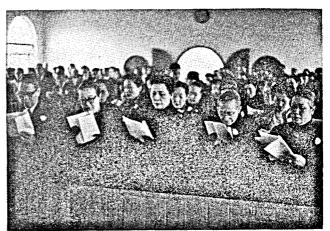
— Larry Grant

Mrs. T. O. Wedel Chosen by Women

CLEVELAND, Ohio — Mrs. Theodore O. Wedel, active Episcopal lay woman of Washington, D.C., was elected President of the United Church Women at their Seventh National Assembly here.

Wife of Dr. Theodore O. Wedel, canon of Washington Cathedral and warden of the College of Preachers, Mrs. Wedel was presiding officer at the recent Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in Honolulu, Hawaii, and was elected to membership on the National Council of the Episcopal Church by the General Convention of the Church, meeting in Honolulu at the same time.

An ardent advocate of the co-operative movement of the churches, Mrs. Wedel has been an active leader in its work, locally, nationally, and internationally. She is a member of the National Council of Churches policymaking General Board, a member of a World Council of Churches' department, and former president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, D.C.



Madam Chiang Kai-Shek, center front row, attends service at our Church in Taipei, Taiwan.

Bishop is Honored by Great Britain

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif. — The Rt. Rev. Karl Morgan Block, Episcopal Bishop of California, has been decorated with the insignia of Commander of the British Empire.

He received the decoration here from British Consul General Sir Robert Hadow. It was given for his "services to the cause of Anglo-American understanding."

Sir Robert said one of Bishop Block's chief services was his continual hospitality to visiting troops and seamen.

Bishop Block recently dedicated a new, modern clinic at St. Luke's Episcopal Hospital here. The new clinic is the first step in a \$1,000,000 building program at the hospital which is operated by the Episcopal Diocese of California.

Are the Clergy "Hired Hands"?

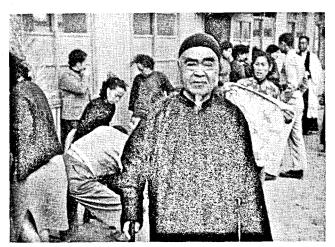
By The Rt. Rev. Russell Sturgis Hubbard Bishop of Spokane

"We pay him. He should do what we tell him." The clergyman was quoting the substance of remarks made by some of the vestry; the clergyman was talking to the Bishop about where he could move to get away from such a situation. It is not unusual for some vestrymen to take such an attitude; but it is wrong.

Before talking about why it is wrong, let me speak of the right in it, the partial truth that makes good men hold by it. The fact is that no man is competent to do all that the Church expects of a minister. He needs help, not alone in doing specific things, but in the manner of doing them. A real function of a vestry, as a body of men devoted to the Lord, is to take counsel with the clergyman as to how the Lord's work should be done in the parish.

Furthermore the clergyman is human. This means he is a sinner. His own desires and ideas and ways of doing

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The dress of an old man who attends services at our Church at Kangshan, Formosa.

things seem most important to him. This is what it means to be a sinner, to find self in the center of the picture. Therefore if he is a wise and humble man of heart, a true man of God—and no man stays long or happily in the ministry who is not—he will be eager to have other men help him to achieve a truer vision of the Lord's mission.

The Church is organized democratically. No one man runs a parish.

What, then, is wrong with this point of view, so often held by some vestrymen? Why did this clergyman think that by moving, he could escape it? Why is it a wrong point of view and recognized as wrong by our best vestrymen?

Two thoughts come to my mind:

The first and most searching is that vestrymen are also sinners. They too want their own way. A man of God comes among them to serve two functions in this respect: to make them conscious of their sin and need of forgiveness; and to proclaim "this is a true saying and worthy of all men to be believed, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners."

It is essential that any man who is to point out the fact that his fellowmen are sinners must be independent of them for his bread and butter. Therefore the clergy are given greater security than is given to any other group of men in our society.

No man likes to be reminded that he is a sinner. If he is converted, really loves the Lord because he realizes that the Lord has saved him from his own best intentions as well as his bad ones, he will take this sober draught humbly.

If he is not converted—and unfortunately some vestrymen are not—he will resent the clergyman's proclamation of this fact of our (his) sin. But the fact remains that the prophetic voice of the clergy is not to be stifled by one or more vestrymen who do not like the man's preaching. The idea that the vestry hire the clergyman is wrong for a second reason. No one "hires" a clergyman. He is the ordained representative of God and of the Church, appointed, not employed, to serve in a particular place. Even the appointment does not rest solely in the hands of the vestry. The vestry is not free to engage the services of any man they happen to want. The Church has a voice. The Church, through the veto power given to the Bishop, says: "The man you engage must be a man of God."

Gift of Holy Spirit

The vestry cannot take an ordinary man and make him a man of God; only the Holy Spirit can do that. The vestry can do much to break such a spirit, and tragically, occasionally, they try. This precious gift, that takes Jim or Tom and makes him a man of the Holy Spirit is something which the vestry cannot give, the vestry cannot control. They can only pray for it, and when found, they can and must help to support it.

Therefore the Church speaks of 'calling' a man who has already been 'called' of God. (Look on page 541 of your Prayer Book.) The man who has been so called and ordained has control of the spiritual functions of the parish, including the use of the physical plant of the church building. So the law of the Church appoints.

Fortunately, such an unhappy strain between clergyman and vestryman does not often occur. Usually they work together as a team to get the Lord's work done, with humility and in prayer.

Ministry

Before breaking off this thought, let me add this—what would our whole society be like if people stopped trying to use economic pressure (the withholding of grocery money), because they realized that we are all sinners; and all dependent upon each other for the distinctive contributions each can make? What would life be like if each of us thought of his or her work as a ministry offered to God, and respected the other person's ministry before God? It seems to me it would be something like the Kingdom of Heaven!

Editor's note: This article was written by Bishop Hubbard when he was suffragan bishop of the Diocese of Michigan and first appeared in that diocese's RECORD.

Peaceful Rest

By Ella M. Noon

When we become overburdened and disheartened by the cares of our daily life, how natural it is for us to recite Psalm 55:6:

"Oh that I had wings like a dove! Then would I fly away and be at rest."

We cannot fly away to any one place and find peaceful rest. It is not a change of place we need but a change of thought. Wherever we go we take ourselves just as we are. It is within ourselves, and by our own willingness to have and receive it that the feeling of peace and contentment can be created right where we are. Peaceful rest is a spiritual condition that comes to us when our thoughts are in harmony with the Christ Spirit, when power can penetrate to the inner depths of our being.

Paul said, "I have learned in whatsoever state I am, therein to be content." We can experience this feeling of contentment too if we will but realize that there is no place where God is not, and become reconciled to our changed conditions in life.

As the plan for life that God has prepared for us unfolds day by day, let us not rebel; for we know that all things work together for good for those who have faith and trust in His love and care. We know that the better things in life will come to us as we surrender our will and our life to His keeping.

We must ever be conscious of the nearness of His presence, in whatever condition we may find ourselves, realizing that no matter where we are the eternal God is always with us and that He knows our every need. He is our refuge and our strength. "Underneath are the everlasting arms" outstretched to infold us, and within their embrace, sheltered from the turmoil of life and nestled in the consciousness of a love and security that nothing can disturb or take from us, we shall find peaceful rest.

Income Tax Ruling Allows Deduction Of Money Spent for Charitable Services

NEW YORK—A new federal income tax ruling provides that expenses incurred by a person freely giving his services to a charitable institution may be considered as contributions and are therefore deductible. This means

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that a person, duly elected a deputy to General Convention or a delegate to the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, may declare as legitimate tax deductions any unreimbursed costs of travel, lodging and meals incurred.

The ruling is set forth in the Internal Revenue Bulletin 1955-1 as follows:

"55-4 *** it is held that a taxpayer who gives his services gratuitously to an association, contributions to which are deductible under the provisions of section 23(a) of the Code, and who incurs unreimbursed traveling expenses, including the cost of meals and lodging, while away from home in connection with the affairs of the association and at its direction may deduct the amount of such unreimbursed expenses in computing his net income subject to the limitation provided by section 23(0) of the Code."

It is furthermore the opinion of legal counsel to the National Council that when the unreimbursed expenses are incurred in connection with services rendered to the General Convention of the Episcopal Church, such expenses would constitute a charitable contribution made directly to a church or a convention or an association of churches within the meaning of Section 170 (b) (1) (A) of the 1954 Internal Revenue Code and accordingly would qualify as a part of the additional ten per cent limitation on charitable deductions provided for by that section.

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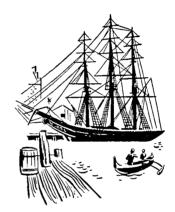
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