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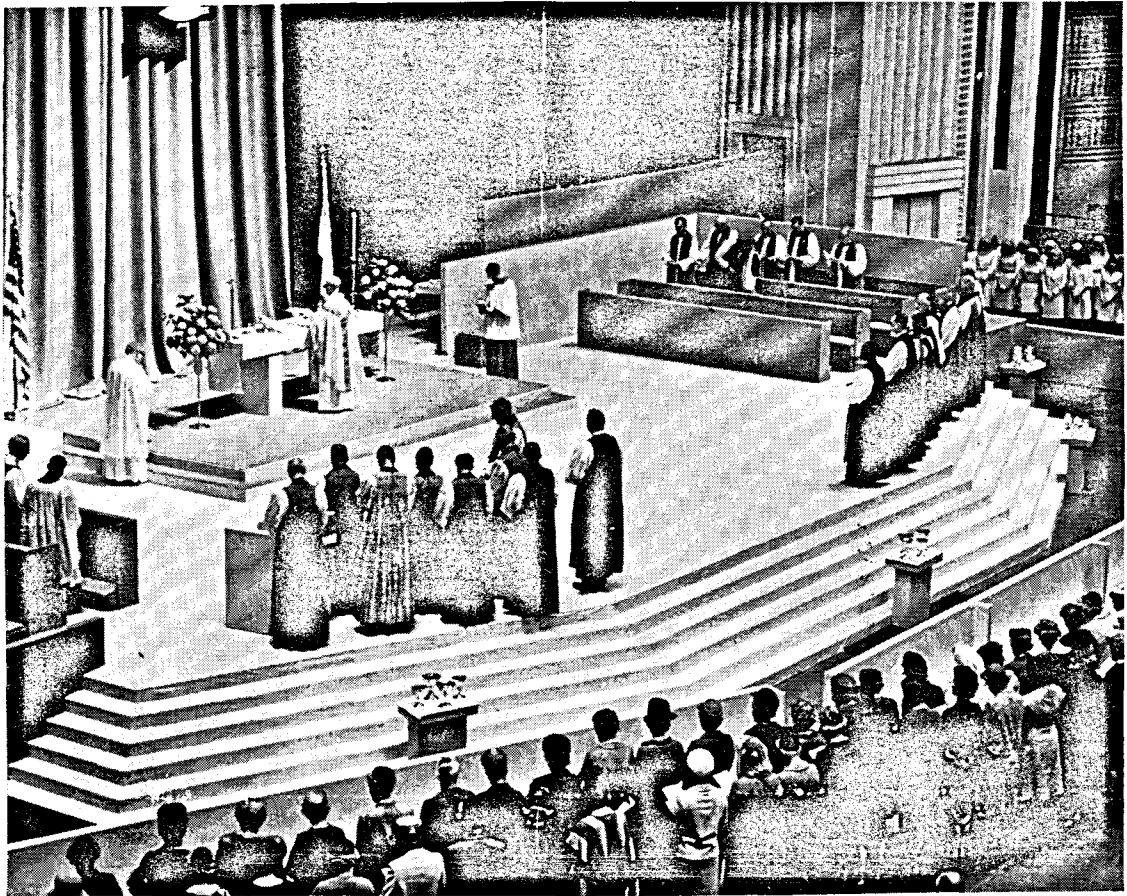
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Our new Presiding Bishop, The Right Reverend John Elbridge Hines, D.D., Bishop of Texas.

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Kiel Auditorium, St. Louis, Missouri, where the Convention convened.

Our New Presiding Bishop

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 17—The Right Reverend John E. Hines, Bishop of Texas, today was elected the 22nd Presiding Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church.

He succeeds the Right Reverend Arthur Lichtenberger, who has led the nation's 3½ million Episcopalians since 1958. Bishop Lichtenberger, at age 64, resigned this week because of an ailment, Parkinson's Syndrome.

Bishop Hines, 54, is the youngest man in the Episcopal Church's history to serve as the communion's chief pastor and administrative leader. At the time of his consecration as Bishop Coadjutor of Texas in 1945, he was only 34 years old.

Bishop Hines has led the Houston-based Episcopal diocese since 1955. Prior to his election to the episcopate he was rector of Christ Church Cathedral, Houston. During his earlier ministry he served parishes in St. Louis and Hannibal, Mo., and Augusta, Ga.

The new Presiding Bishop was elected to his post by 154 bishops on the sixth ballot taken during the House of

Bishops' executive session held in Christ Church Cathedral. By mid-morning the House of Deputies had concurred in the election.

Others nominated and later disclosed by the Right Reverend William A. Cirtenden, Bishop of Erie and chairman of the bishops' committee on nominations for a presiding bishop, were: Bishop Stephen F. Bayne, Anglican Executive Officer and Director-designate of the Episcopal Executive Council's Overseas Department; Bishop Richard S. M. Emrich of Michigan; Bishop Henry I. Louttit of South Florida; and Bishop Thomas H. Wright of East Carolina.

During a press conference immediately following a brief address to the House of Deputies, Bishop Hines declared that the direction in which the Episcopal Church's future lies is summed up in the proposals for "mutual responsibility and interdependence," a proposal from the 1963 Anglican Congress calling for the re-evaluation and re-structuring of the 44 million member worldwide Angli-

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Great Opening Service

The sixty-first General Convention of the Episcopal Church opened, as has become customary, with a pageant-like service of Evening Prayer in Kiel Auditorium, with 8,000 in attendance.

A huge sanctuary with a simple white altar, backed by a blue dossal and decorated with a polychrome cross was the focal point for the long and colorful processions. Fifteen hundred clerical and lay Deputies, accompanied by delegates to the Triennial meeting of the women of the Church, with official visitors from areas of American, British, Canadian, Chinese, Indian, Liberian, Pakistani, Philippine, Portuguese, and Spanish influence, and 180 bishops marched into the hall in simultaneous processions from seven entrances.

Music was provided by a 700-voice choir, drawn from the churches of the Diocese of Missouri under the able direction of Ronald Arnatt.

The Presiding Bishop, the Right Reverend Arthur Lichtenberger, called on the Church to accept the challenge of "Mutual Responsibility" a concept arising from the Anglican Congress in Toronto last year. Special significance surrounded his talk, since it was to be the last he would make before his resignation as Presiding Bishop. He had prepared for presentation a pastoral sermon in the classic tradition in which he included a challenge for total commitment by all Christians to the basic mission of the Church along lines suggested by the ideas outlined in the Mutual Responsibility document.

He stated, "That we may be mutually encouraged by each other's faith." Is this too much to expect from these Convention days in St. Louis—these days of speeches and discussions and committee meetings and voting yes or no; these days and nights of dinners for a cause, and more meetings? Well, if this is too much to expect; if, in these days together, we are not to find ourselves 'mutually encouraged by each others faith' we might as well go home now and save ourselves and the Diocese of Missouri a good deal of money and energy and time.

"Put aside all romantic illusions about the world we live in" and "begin where we are and move on." "We cannot reverse the flow of time and return to the days when life was much more simple. In every aspect of our lives, in our homes, in business and industry, in the social and political issues which confront us, we have no choice but to begin where we are and move on." His message of love, joy and hope was read by the Right Reverend Ned Cole, Jr., Bishop Coadjutor of Central New York because of the Presiding Bishop's speech difficulties.



New first lady of the Church, Mrs. John E. Hines—"a vivacious woman full of outgoing ease."

Convention Family Pay Homage to Bishop and Mrs. Lichtenberger

Moments of mirth eased the solemnity of the occasion when the Lichtenbergers were honored by word, gift, and song at the opening of the third joint session of the General Convention.

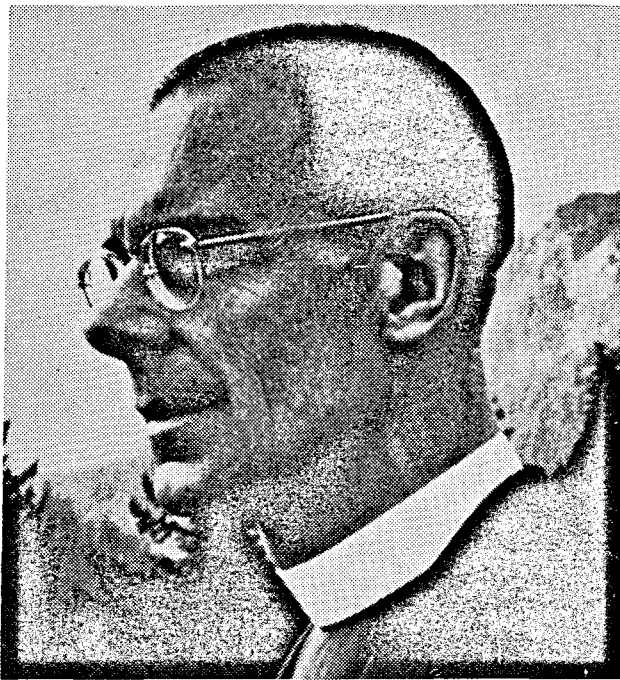
A check for \$32,220 from bishops from all the Church all over the world was presented to the Bishop with this statement: "This gift is in gratitude and love which have poured through us to you who have made us stronger and more at one in Christ than we have ever been before—so, with you, we laugh at the devil and press on to greater things." To Mrs. Lichtenberger they gave a check for \$1,000—"a cashier's check, so you'll know it's from all of us and not from any one—because we each love you in our own special way and it's all your fault!"

Overseas Bishops Honor Bishop and Mrs. Bentley

Saturday night, October 10th, honored The Right Reverend Jno B. Bentley who is retiring as head of the Overseas Missions, and Mrs. Bentley. The Right Reverend Ervine Swift, of Puerto Rico, was in charge of the occasion. Bishop Kennedy was Toastmaster. Leis from Hawaii were flown to St. Louis for the honored guests.

United Thank Offering

A record breaking offering of \$4,790,921.51 represents an increase of nearly a half million dollars over the previous three years. The report was made by Mrs. Harold Sorg, Presiding Officer of the Triennial Meeting and ended a thirty-six hour period of suspense from the presentation of the Offering on Thursday morning until the official announcement at the Missionary Mass Meeting on Friday night.



Bishop Dean: A scholar was appointed.

The Right Reverend Ralph S. Dean, Anglican Bishop of Caribo (British Columbia) will succeed the Right Reverend Stephen F. Bayne, Jr., as Executive Officer of the worldwide Anglican Communion. Bishop Bayne returns to the United States to succeed the Right Reverend Jno B. Bentley as head of the Overseas Department of the Executive Department of our Church.

Resignation Accepted

The resignation of the Presiding Bishop, the Right Reverend Arthur Lichtenberger was accepted after a period of respectful silence in the House of Bishops, which, as Bishop Kennedy wrote, was indicative of the great love with which he is held.

No Women Deputies

The attempt to permit the seating of women Deputies in the General Convention, by means of substituting the words "Lay person" for "layman" was defeated by the House of Deputies, by the narrowest margin since the issue had been brought to the General Convention in 1946.

At the United Thank Offering service of the women, the music for the service was commissioned by the Convention from Ronald Arnatt and was dedicated to the Glory of God for the ministry of the Right Reverend and Mrs. Arthur Lichtenberger.

A second and more startling innovation of the service was the reading of the Epistle by a woman, Mrs. Edith L. Bornn, of the Virgin Islands, the only woman Chancellor in the Church, who did this at the invitation of the Presiding Bishop.

President of the House of Deputies

Mr. Clifford Morehouse of New York was elected to be the President of the House. In assuming this role, he stressed the fact that though the House had much routine "housekeeping" business to transact, it must not lose sight of its opportunity and responsibility to speak to the pressing questions being asked today, especially framing an answer to the call stemming from Mutual Responsibility. "We may not be expected to set the world afire, but the Church does have the right to expect us to open our minds and hearts to the Pentacostal fire of the Holy Spirit, that we may speak to the needs of our day."

Roman Catholic Observers

Three Roman Catholics were appointed as official observers to General Convention by Cardinal Ritter of St. Louis.

Addresses Deputies

Dr. Martin Luther King addressed the House of Deputies for ten minutes on the first day of Convention. There was some opposition to his being presented to the House but it was short-lived. When he arrived he was greeted with a standing ovation.

Bishops Absolve Jews of Crucifixion Guilt

The Bishops of the Church proclaimed that the charge of deicide against the Jews is a "tragic misunderstanding of the inner significance of the crucifixion." They also called anti-Semitism "a direct contradiction of Christian doctrine." In a statement unanimously adopted by the episcopate, the bishops emphasized that the crucifixion of Jesus was "by some Roman soldiers at the instigation of some Jews" and should not impute "corporate guilt to every Jew in Jesus' day, much less the Jewish people in subsequent generations."

Bishop Pike

The Right Reverend James A. Pike, of California, stirred up a tempest when he said, "I don't think we need the doctrine of the Trinity at all." A quote in regard to this was, "Were all the Bishops of the Anglican Communion wrong when they said, 'The Anglican Communion is a family of Churches, bound together by a common loyalty to the Catholic faith, as taught by the Holy Scripture, held by the primitive Church, summed up in the Creeds, and affirmed by the General Church.'" (The Lambeth Conference).

Constitutional Amendment

A Constitutional amendment was passed permitting trial use of certain variations in Prayer Book rites. Proposed for the next three years is an enriched calendar of Saints' days and other observances, involving more variety in the collects, epistles, and Gospel lessons for use at daily celebrations of Holy Communion.

The House of Deputies defeated a motion to concur with action of the House of Bishops in "expunging" the word "Protestant" from the name of the Church, and in place of this sent to the House of Bishops for their action a proposal to amend the Constitution of the Church by inserting a preamble naming the Church as "The Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States of America, otherwise known as The Episcopal Church . . ." Should the House of Bishops concur, the proposed change will be referred to the several dioceses and missionary districts for their consideration and final action will be taken at the next General Convention.

Elected Bishops

The Right Reverend Arnold Meredith Lewis, D.D., Missionary Bishop of Western Kansas, was elected Suffragan Bishop of the Armed Forces. We know that his wide experience with the Armed Forces will make him a most able leader for the military forces.

The Reverend George T. Masuda, Rector of St. Luke's Church, Billings, Montana, was elected Bishop of the Missionary District of North Dakota, to succeed the late Right Reverend Richard R. Emery.

The Very Reverend Reus-Froylan, Dean of St. John's Cathedral, Francisco, Puerto Rico, was elected Coadjutor Bishop of Puerto Rico.

Budget Supported

The report of the Committee on the Budget for the Church was accepted, which will happily mean an increase in salaries for our missionaries in Hawaii, Guam and Okinawa.

Priory Expansion Program

As we go to press a total of \$292,101 has been pledged on the St. Andrew's Priory Expansion Program—so "PEP" is on the go!

The minimum objective is \$325,000. Our parishes and missions are leading all divisions with a total of \$127,000 pledged.

St. Andrew's Priory is our Diocesan School for girls, with a total of 560 enrolled. It is under the able leadership of the Sisters of the Transfiguration.

On Monday night, November 2nd, a great Victory Dinner will terminate the active phase. One of our own laymen, Larry Ronson, is serving as General Chairman. The Reverend E. Lani Hanchett and Mr. K. L. Ching are Church Chairmen. Bayard Dillingham is Patron Gifts Chairman, Zadoc Brown Chairman of Special Gifts and Mrs. Mary K. Robinson serves as leader of the Alumnae Division.



Mrs. C. J. Birnie, Caroline Roberts and Lisa Morrett.

Girls Friendly Society Represented At General Convention

On Friday, October 16, 1964, Mrs. C. J. Birnie represented the Missionary District of Honolulu at the G. F. S., Society For Girls Corporate Communion and Breakfast at Christ Church Cathedral, St. Louis, Missouri. She presented the contribution raised this year for the G. F. S. development fund at a Diocesan Roll Call and Thank Offering during the service.

The Corporate Communion is a triennial event held in conjunction with the General Convention. Paintings done by G. F. S. girls were on display during the convention which reflected the theme "I See the World."

The G. F. S. is a national organization affiliated with the Episcopal Church which carries on a weekday program for girls from 7 to 21 years of age; it is also international and meets with girls of more than 30 countries in G. F. S. World Council meetings every three years. The World Council meets next Spring in Japan.

Worship, Christian education, service, and recreation make up the G. F. S. program at both Epiphany Church and St. Andrew's Cathedral in Honolulu; also an important part of G. F. S. is the ongoing leadership training program to be offered by the Reverend Canon E. B. Connell.

Corporate Communion for Men and Boys

All churches in the Diocese will join with men and boys throughout the Church to observe the Advent Corporate Communion for Men and Boys on Sunday, November 29th. Most churches will have a breakfast following the service as a time of fellowship.



Bishop and Mrs. James Wong of Taiwan.

First Bishop of Taiwan Elected!

The Right Reverend James C. L. Wong, Bishop of the Diocese of Jesselton, North Borneo, was elected by the House of Bishops to be the First Bishop of the Missionary District of Taiwan, on Wednesday, October 21st, in St. Louis, Missouri.

Bishop Wong was a naval architect, and first Chinese engineer to serve on the British Blue Funnel Line. Upon retirement, he became a priest in Hong Kong, and subsequently was appointed Bishop of Borneo of the Anglican Church. He was born in the vicinity of Peking. He is a graduate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology as a Tsing-Wah scholar whose selection was based on highly competitive examinations under the Boxer Rebellion Indemnity Fund paid back to China by the United States.

Mrs. Wong is an Australian Chinese. They have a daughter who was married in the United States to a doctor who was a childhood friend. They have three engineer sons in England, Australia and Singapore respectively.

In 1960 he was elected to establish a new diocese in Jesselton.

He will, in keeping with the policy of the Executive Committee of the Episcopal Church, be the first National to become Bishop of Taiwan. Bishop Kennedy, at the request of the Presiding Bishop, has been acting as Bishop of Taiwan since 1954. On January 1, 1961, the work on Taiwan became officially The Missionary District of Taiwan. Our Suffragan Bishop, The Right Reverend Charles P. Gilson, has been in residence in Taiwan since 1958.



The Honorable Wilfred H. M. Hindle, the Bishop and Mrs. Kennedy.

Bishop Honored

British Consul Wilfred H. M. Hindle conferred upon the Bishop, in the name of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, the Honorary Commander of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire, in recognition of his ministry to the British forces during the Korean War and to the Royal Air Force and Royal Engineers on Christmas Island.

It came as a complete surprise to the Bishop. He said, "I feel as though I am just the means whereby the Queen honors the Church and the Church's ministry in the Pacific."

Laymen to Have Bar-B-Q

The Laymen of the Churches on Oahu will hold a Bar-B-Q at Holy Nativity Church, on Tuesday, November 10th, at 6:30 p.m., honoring the Bishop. It will be held in the Youth Center of the Church. All lay persons are invited to attend. Tickets may be purchased from Key Laymen of the individual church offices.

Sister Laura Returns

After an absence of two years, Sister Laura Mary, C.T., returned to St. Andrew's Priory, as supervisor of the lower school. She has been in Glendale for the past two years. We rejoice that she has returned to Hawaii to be in our midst.

He was elected Suffragan Bishop of Honolulu at the General Convention in Detroit, Michigan in 1961, and under the Bishop has been in charge of the work in Taiwan. He will now be in residence in Okinawa, to help with our work there, where it will be a tremendous help to the clergy and people of Okinawa.

Clergy and Laymen's Conference

A Diocesan clergy-laity conference will be held at St. Andrew's Cathedral on November 4-6. The title of the conference is "Our Christian Mission in the Urban Culture."

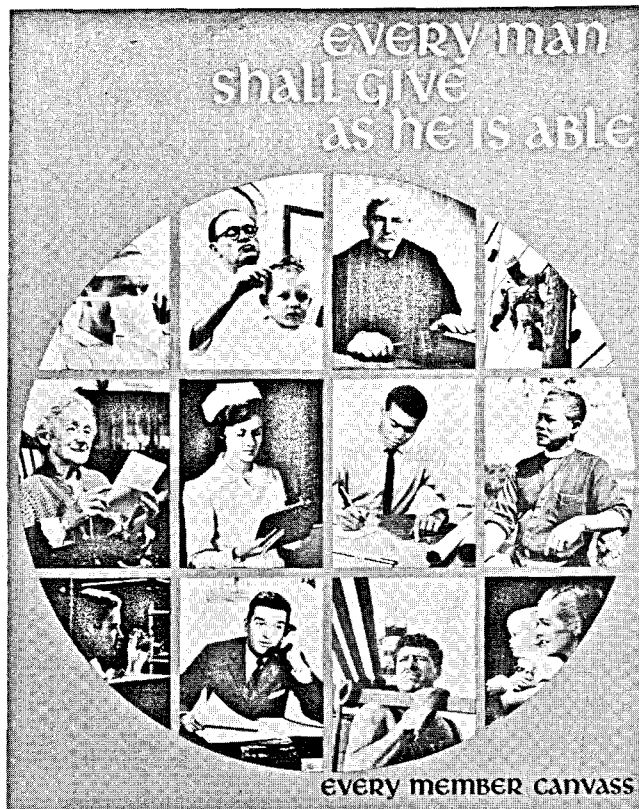
There are four major purposes for this conference. 1. To provide an opportunity for our Church leaders, both clergy and laity, to assess the facts of our changing society and of the Church's ministry within it. 2. To assist our leaders to understand more deeply the implications of these facts for the lives of men and women in the life of the Church. 3. To join together and find new creative means and directions in which the Church may more effectively serve our changing society. 4. To help all of the delegates determine some immediate ways in which we can follow-up these findings in our Diocese and individual church.

Three delegates will be coming from each church on Oahu—one clergyman, one layman, and one laywoman. The neighbor islands will be represented by some laymen and all of their clergy.

The leaders of this conference will include: The Reverend Samuel Van Culin who is serving with the Department of Urban Work of the National Council, The Reverend Dr. Robert Rodenmayer who is now with the National Council and was formerly the professor of Pastoral Theology at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific. Assisting them will be Dr. Andrew Lind, Professor of Sociology at the University of Hawaii, and Mr. Aaron Levine who is one of the key leaders in Urban Development in Honolulu. There will also be a round-table discussion between various denominations on the changes that are taking place in our religious community. This group will include such local Church leaders as: The Reverend Larry Jones of the United Church; Monsignor Daniel Dever, Superintendent of the Roman Catholic School System; The Reverend William Phifer of the Presbyterian Church, and the Reverend Frank E. Butterworth of the Methodist Church.

A bus tour will also be available to all delegates. This will be used to point out some of the changes that do take place and some of the problems that develop with urbanization. The cost to the delegates will be \$4.00 apiece.

Our people will rejoice to have the Reverend Samuel Van Culin return to the Islands to help with the conference. He is one of our young men, having gone to Virginia Theological Seminary from Hawaii and returning to Honolulu to be a Canon of St. Andrew's Cathedral.



St. Peter's Church Honors Their Elders

Sunday, November 1, beginning at 5 p.m. in the Church with the Very Paul Roberts preaching at the service of Evening Prayer, the Elders of St. Peter's Church were honored. His topic was "On Growing Old."

A seven course dinner was served in the Parish Hall following the service. Members of the congregation 65 years and older were the honored guests. This is a very happy annual observance.

Canterbury News

The Reverend John P. Engelcke, Chaplain of the University of Hawaii students, has revealed that among the 2700 freshmen and first year transfers at the University in the fall of 1964, 178 were Episcopalians.

Massey Shepherd Vatican Observer

The Reverend Massey H. Shepherd, Jr., professor of liturgics at the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, California, has been named one of the five delegate-observers from the Anglican Communion to the third session of the Second Vatican Council, which convened September 14th in Rome. The Archbishop of Canterbury appointed Dr. Shepherd in consultation with the Presiding Bishop. He was to attend in mid-October.

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can Communion's missionary strategy.

Also crucial in setting goals for the Church's future, Bishop Hines asserted, is the urban-industrial revolution "into which the Church must plunge . . . to be relevant in these days of social change." He also recorded his fervent hope that the Episcopal Church will continue in the direction of unity with other churches.

As to the Church's role in the political arena, he stressed that "it is the obligation of the Church to speak clearly and frankly about Christian responsibility toward social and political issues, but not to espouse partisan views or give support to any candidate for office."

Earlier, Bishop Hines in his address to the House of Deputies, had called for "the help, support and prayers" of all Episcopalians.

"It is a awesome thing," he said, "to hear behind me the footsteps of great men." He then referred to the Church's last three Presiding Bishops, the Right Reverend Henry St. George Tucker, the Right Reverend Henry Knox Sherrill, and Bishop Lichtenberger, and voiced his hope that he would follow in the tradition set by "these great men of God and great leaders of this church."

Bishop Hines, who probably will be installed sometime in January at ceremonies in the National Episcopal Cathedral in Washington, D.C., is known throughout the church as one of its most "well-rounded" men and as "a fighter" for what he believes.

In his diocese, Bishop Hines has long raised a strong voice of dissent to proponents of racial segregation. Also in that conservative stronghold, he has liberally criticized right-wing organizations for the divisiveness they have spawned in the Houston area and throughout the country.

In addition to putting forth what has been called "a prophetic stand on race and disunity," Bishop Hines has exerted aggressive leadership to the church's urban ministry, theological education, and college chaplaincy and campus ministry programs. He has made his diocese's college chaplaincy program the strongest in the Church, and he is the founder of St. Stephen's School, Austin, Texas, one of the Church's most highly recognized parochial schools.

Nationally, he has helped guide the destiny of the church's Executive National Council—its administrative program arm—by serving for two six-year terms on the Council. During his last term of office he was chairman of the Home Department.

As chairman of the Presiding Bishop's Strategic Advisory Committee, Bishop Hines has been instrumental in

the planning of the Church's long-range strategy. He was one of the Church's first bishops to wholeheartedly endorse the proposals of the "mutual responsibility" document after it was introduced at the 1963 Anglican Congress. Through him, a companion-diocese arrangement has been established with the Diocese of Malawi in East Africa.

Within Anglicanism's scholarly circles, he has been termed one of the few "literate" American bishops; during the 1958 Lambeth Conference he was chairman of the family life commission.

Bishop Hines, the son of a country doctor and a pre-med student at the University of the South, Sewanee, Tenn., has been instrumental in laying the groundwork for Texas' present chaplaincy system. For four years he served on the State Board of Hospitals and Special Schools.

Claiming to always have been "ecumenically-minded," Bishop Hines was born into a nine-member family—five Episcopalians, four Presbyterians—on October 3, 1910, in Seneca, South Carolina. His mother was a staunch Episcopalian, "single-handedly running" the Seneca parish; his father was just as involved in Southern Presbyterianism. At the age of eight, John Elbridge Hines was confirmed into the Episcopal Church.

After ruling out a future in the medical profession while a student at the University of the South, he received his theological training at Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, which later awarded him a degree of Doctor of Divinity. He was ordained to the priesthood in 1934.

Bishop Hines is married to the former Helen Louise Orwig of St. Louis. They have one daughter, Mrs. Taylor K. Smith, who is married to an orthopedic surgeon stationed at Park Air Force Base in the Philippines; and four sons: Michael John, a medical student at Baylor University Medical School, Houston; John Christopher, stationed in Germany with the U.S. Army; John Moore, a sophomore student at Duke University in North Carolina; and John Stephen, a high school sophomore at St. Stephen's School, Austin.

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