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## DIOCESAN PLANNING GROUP CONSIDERS GUAM

"The St. John's Development Program looks good. The need is there and they've got the people to make it work." And with this summary, Thomas K. Lalakea began his report to the Diocesan Planning Group in their regular meeting on March 28th.

Tom, who visited the church and school on Guam on March 24, evaluated the development program for need, financial capability, operational feasibility, location, and timetable. In short, the question he asked was, "How reasonable was the planning for St. John's Preparatory School expansion?"



Thomas K. Lalakea, member of the Diocesan Planning Group, reports on his evaluation of St. John's Guam Development Program.

St. John's proposes development of a \$3.6 million phase one school expansion to accommodate junior high and high school grades and a \$3.5 million rental apart-

ment building to generate income to meet debt service costs of the new school facilities.

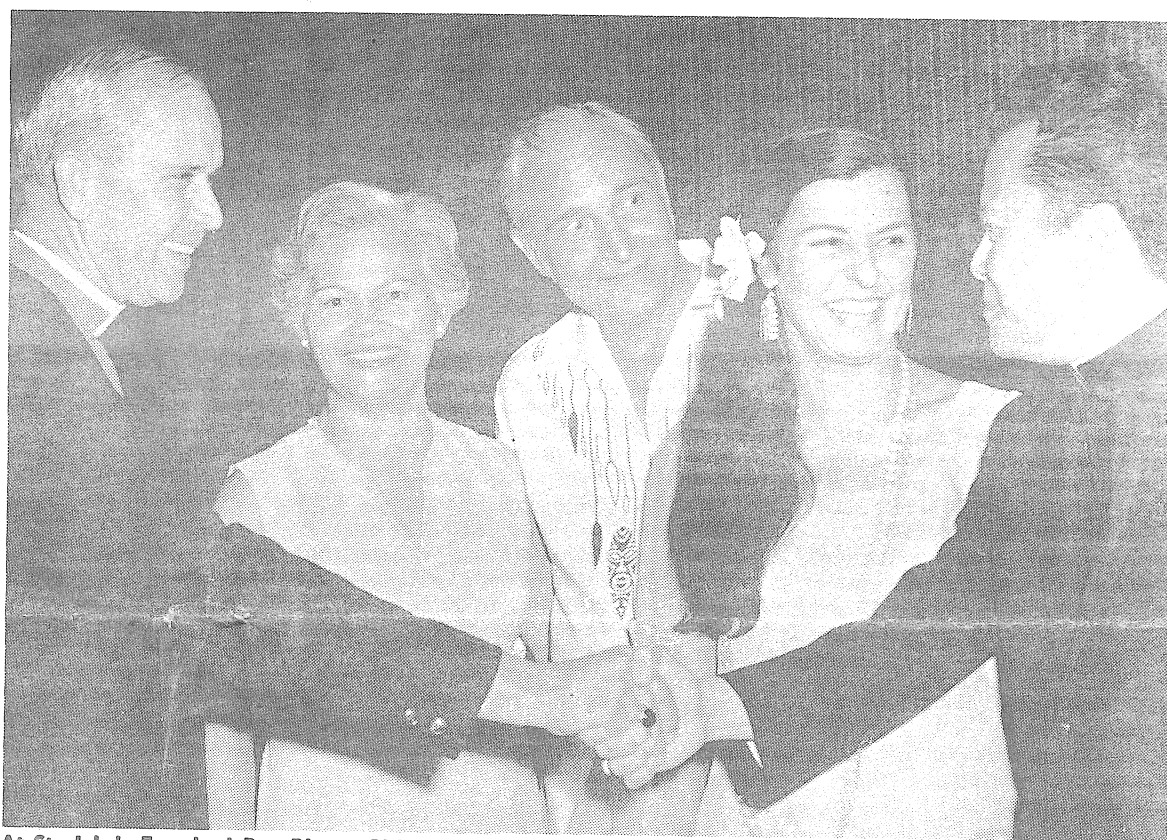
Roman Catholic school officials on Guam wish to develop a non-competing school adjacent to the new St. John's. Cost and use of facilities such as the learning resources center, the gym and swimming pool, and any dormitories would then be shared. With this in mind, a joint Episcopal/Catholic group is making application for a 41-acre Government of Guam parcel.

The proposed school site is located approximately four miles north of St. John's on undeveloped land near new housing subdivisions and existing military bases and housing. Land adjacent to the present St. John's would be used for the apartment building.

The close cooperation between Episcopal Churches and Roman Catholic Churches on the matter of schools is in the talking stage in other parts of the United States but Guam will probably bear first fruit. Guam has a high demand for quality private schooling. Together, the two churches feel that they can meet this demand effectively and at reasonable cost to the parents. The shared facilities will also permit both schools to efficiently serve boarding students from the Trust Territories of the Pacific Islands.

See related stories in this issue . . .

## St. John's School Marks 10th Anniversary on Guam With Plans for Expansion



At St. John's Founders' Day Dinner, Bishops Hanchett and Flores publicly announce the planning for shared school facilities and joint land acquisition. John Moore, Headmaster of St. John's, and his wife Dottie (both former members of St. Timothy's, Aiea) reflect the enthusiasm of the entire audience for this undertaking.

GUAM—This year marks the Tenth Anniversary of the founding of St. John's Preparatory School. In these ten years the school has gone from Quanset Huts to Marine Corps tents and finally to permanent (typhoon-proof) buildings. In spite of physical adversity the school has responded to the educational needs of the people of Guam in a program of steady, planned growth.

Now St. John's educates approximately 356 students in Kindergarten through ninth grade. Colonel John T. Moore, Jr., USAF (Ret.), Headmaster of St. John's, says the purpose of the school is "to provide each student with a solid foundation for his future of operation, St. John's Preparatory school recently held a Founder's Day Dinner. The highlight of the dinner was the announcement of the cooperative effort between Roman Catholic Schools academic needs while making provision for his important spiritual needs."

In celebration of its tenth year and St. John's School to foster growth of high quality education on Guam.

In his comments, the Most Reverend Felixberto C. Flores, Bishop of the Diocese of Agaña, stated

that nothing but good could result from the cooperation and coordination being undertaken by Sister Bernadette Prochaska, Superintendent of Catholic Schools, and Col. John T. Moore, Jr., Headmaster of St. John's. "The direct beneficiaries of the improvements that they are seeking in the non-public schools educational systems will be the children attending them," said Bishop Flores.

The major address of the evening was delivered by the Right Reverend E. Lani Hanchett, Episcopal Bishop of the Diocese of Hawaii, and Bishop-in-Charge of the Episcopal Church on Guam and Micronesia. In his presentation, Bishop Hanchett affirmed the need and desirability of cooperative planning by the two Churches for educational systems on Guam.

The many patrons, parents, founders and friends of St. John's School indicated their approval of the joint venture of the two Churches by frequent applause to the principal speakers.

At the conclusion of his address, Bishop Hanchett was presented a large color rendering of the architect's concept of the new school by Mr. Murray McNeil, head of MacKinlay/Winnacker, A.I.A. and Associates on Guam.

## BOYS OKAYED TO BOARD AT SEABURY HALL

MAKAWAO, MAUI—The Seabury Hall Board of Trustees held their regular quarterly meeting on April 13th and among the several policy decisions they made was one to offer boys an opportunity to board at Seabury beginning in the fall of 1972.

Our re-introduction of the enrollment of boys as day students in 1970 has worked out well. Their presence in the classroom and within the life of the school has been beneficial to our total program of academic and non-academic concerns. We currently have 19 boys enrolled in grades 7-12, and interest expressed for the fall of 1972 indicates a marked growth in this enrollment.

We are now embarking upon an expansion of our boy program to include them as full time residents on the campus. We have the residential facilities here new so structural modifications will be minimal.

For further information contact Roger M. Melrose, Headmaster, Seabury Hall, PO Box 95, Makawao, Hawaii 96768.

## MINORITIES GAIN VOICE IN NATIONAL CONVENTION

NEW YORK, N.Y. (DPS)—The Episcopal Church's Standing Commission on the Structure of the Church has completed the development of a plan for broader communicant representation in the government of the Church nationally. The plan will be presented to the General Convention at Louisville, Ky., in October, 1973.

The problem to which the Commission addressed itself is the under-representation of racial and ethnic minorities and young people in the decision-making process of the Church. Successive conventions have come to see this deficiency as damaging to the ability of the Church to recognize and respond appropriately to many of the most crucial issues faced by the Church and its people.

The plan calls for appointment by the President of the House of Bishops to each Commission a representative of the National Council of the Episcopal Church, a limited number of consultants from a racial and ethnic minorities aged 18 to 25. A similar plan will be proposed for The House of Bishops.

## COOLING ORDAINED TO PRIESTHOOD

"Therefore, O Father, through Jesus Christ your Son, give your Holy Spirit to David; fill him with grace and power, and make him a Priest in your Church."

With these words of the Bishop the Rev. David Albert Cooling was ordained to the priesthood of the Episcopal Church in rites held at the Church of the Holy Nativity, Honolulu, on Sunday, April 9.

The ordination of Mr. Cooling, who is headmaster of the school at Holy Nativity, was held in the evening at 7:30 with the Rt. Rev. E. Lani Hanchett officiating. The Ven. Paul Wheeler, rector of St. Clement's, Honolulu, and archdeacon of Oahu, preached the ordination sermon.

The new ordinand is a 1971 graduate of the Church Divinity School of the Pacific, Berkeley, Calif., and Occidental College. He holds masters degrees in political science and education.

Before ordination to the diaconate he served as a teacher in private and public schools and worked as a professional fund raiser. He was born in Los Angeles November 21, 1939.

He is married to the former Marilyn Jean Burns, also a native Californian and they have two children, Shannon Lynn, born in Berkeley, and Ryan Burke, born in Honolulu.

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# What The Episcopal Church Is

—by the Rt. Rev. Stephen F. Bayne, Jr.

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People are sometimes puzzled and annoyed at Episcopalians because they think we are playing a game with them when we say that we do not know what constitutes an Episcopalian, or when we say that the Episcopal Church has no distinctive beliefs of its own. But those are the facts.

If you go through the Book of Common Prayer, it is appallingly difficult to put your finger on anything distinctively "Episcopal" about it. Perhaps the rubrics are, because they define the manner in which certain functions shall be performed.

It is disheartening to many eager ecumenists, to discover that there is no Episcopal ministry; there are no Episcopal Sacraments; the principal statements of our belief are those which are as close to universal as any Christian statement could possibly be; confirmation is not the mystical movement at which one "becomes an Episcopalian." Indeed, the only way you can really identify an Episcopalian is that he goes to an Episcopal Church and supports it.

All this pleases me very much because I think it indicates an authentic Catholic feeling about the Church. The only way you can define an Episcopalian is to say that he attends an Episcopal church, shares in its life and worship, and pays his dues. That is about the size of it, and none of that is in the Prayer Book.

The Book of Common Prayer is not about the Episcopal Church at all. It was written by the Episcopal Church; but it was written about Christ's Church—the one Catholic and Apostolic Church of the Creed. That is only Church that exists so far as the Episcopal Church is concerned.

We know of no way you can become an Episcopalian by baptism. Baptism does not make you an Episcopalian; it grafts you into the Body of Christ's Church. Confirmation does not make you an Episcopalian; it completes your baptism and equips you with grace and power you need to be a good member and minister of Christ's Church.

All of us in the clergy have learned that the Episcopal Church disappears at almost all of the great moments of its life. We have gone on baptizing babies for years, and then suddenly at some point we realize that it is not we who are doing anything to that baby—that if there is any validity to this baptism, the validity comes because our Lord is doing something to that baby. And suddenly an astonishing humility sweeps over us.

It is an astonishing and a moving humility to realize that all one does, as a clergyman, is to supply the words and the hands—that our Lord is doing the acting.

This revelation may also come when a priest is celebrating the Holy Communion. For one shattering and liberating moment he is set free from any sense of mere duty or of the loveliness of the liturgy or of the reality of the parish family in which he is ministering; and God gives him a vision of greatness, of the greatness of what he is about.

At every point in the Church's life, in the life of the Prayer Book, in the life of the Christian, we break out of the Episcopal Church into some greater thing. The minister, the Sacraments, the prayers, the blessings, the grace that comes to us through the Church—none of these things belong to the Episcopal Church. The Episcopal Church owns the building and has custody of the Prayer Book. But I don't know anything else you can claim for the Episcopal Church.

God has all the rest of it. He moves and acts through us. The Church is His and not ours at all in any significant way.

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## Executive Council Seeks Local Participation in National Planning

**GREENWICH, Conn. (DPS)** — The Executive Council of the Episcopal Church is asking the church at large to participate in the information-sharing process in preparation for the next General Convention at Louisville, Ky., in October, 1973.

Information gathered will help answer three questions: What do you consider the major tasks of the church in the 1970's? What should program priorities be? In your judgement, which among several alternatives is the soundest method of funding the national church program?

As a first step, Bishops are to be involved. Six regional meetings

are planned in the near future. Overseas Bishops will gather at Seabury House on April 22.

Diocesan visitations will be made in the fall of 1972. Deputies and alternates will be brought into the question-and-answer and information-sharing process. Parishes will be reached through the diocesan structure.

Oscar Carr, Vice President of the Council for Development, is responsible for arranging all meetings.

After the information is gathered, recommendations will then be prepared by Executive Council to be submitted to the General Convention body at Louisville.

## FURTHER DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN EPISCOPALIANS AND ROMANS

**GREENWICH, Conn. (DPS)** — An unprecedented gathering of leaders in the ecumenical movement took place here February 22-24 at the meeting of the Executive Council of the Episcopal Church.

Participating in a discussion on the whole scope of the Episcopal Church's ecumenical outreach were: The Rev. Herbert Ryan, S.J., of the Roman Catholic Church; Dr. Paul Crow, General Secretary of the Consultation on Church Union (COCU); the Rev. Dr. Robert Stephanopoulos, of the Greek Orthodox Church, and Mrs. Cynthia Wedel, President of the National Council of Churches (NCC).

Father Ryan said the fundamental problem facing the Episcopal Church and the Roman Catholic Church in the theological dialogue is, "Do we agree on the mission of the Church, her order of priorities, her outreach to the world?"

He said that if the two Churches can agree in answering this question, "then the future prospects are excellent and the only problems facing our Churches in the matter of working out their organic union are problems of communication, education, patient pastoral counseling and the development of trust in leadership which will be necessary to carry our people forward into union."

In response to a question, Dr. Stephanopoulos said that the issue of the ordination of women could be an obstacle to union between the Anglican and Greek Orthodox Churches.

Mrs. Wedel, reviewing the work of world, national, regional and local councils of churches, said, "I see the development of local councils of churches as more important than almost anything happening farther up, because if we begin to get a real feeling of ecumenism at the grass roots level in the local community, between the people in the local churches, then we have something solid to build on. This is the most important thing happening today."

The ecumenical overview concluded with a panel discussion of the National Council of Churches' restructure plans by Bishop John Burt of Ohio and Council members Mrs. Jean Jackson of Portland, Ore., and the Rev. Canon Gerald McAllister of San Antonio, Tex.

The Council adopted two resolutions, reaffirming the Episcopal Church's participation in the National Council of Churches, and welcoming the report of the NCC's Committee on Future Ecumenical Structure "as a serious effort to revise the structure and operational style of the National Council of Churches to fit the needs of today's world."

## BISHOP COLE ELECTED

**NEW YORK, N.Y.**—The Rt. Rev. Ned Cole, Bishop of the Diocese of Central New York, has been elected chairman of the Board of Theological Education of the Episcopal Church. He succeeds the Rt. Rev. Frederick J. Warnecke, former bishop of the Diocese of Bethlehem, Pa., who is retiring.

The Foundation is a national organization of laymen that initiates and underwrites projects in support of the work of the Church.

## A Message from Bishop Hanchett



I am excited with the great potential for expansion of the mission of the Church on Guam, and in the Trust Territory. That entire area is going through a period of rapid growth in population and in economic expansion. For one of the few times in the history of the Episcopal Church we have established our work securely in a mission field in the early stages of its development. This issue of the Hawaiian Church Chronicle reports on the Church on Guam. This is a timely report because I want the diocese of Hawaii to learn about our work there as I want it to become an integral part of our mission outreach.

St. John the Divine Church on Guam is very well established. It is a strong and active congregation with exceedingly able clergy and lay leadership. St. John's Preparatory School is without question the finest elementary and junior high school in the territory and enjoys great community support. The school's exciting plans for expansion are reported elsewhere in this issue.

During my visit to Guam last February, the decision was made to establish work among the large Filipino community on the island. A recent survey revealed a substantial number of Philippine Independent Churchmen working on Guam, a great many of whom want a Filipino priest in residence. The people of St. John the Divine have agreed to assume responsibility for housing, transportation, and a substantial portion of his salary. I have committed myself to raising \$3500, the balance required to support a priest the last six months of 1972. The Diocesan Committee on Mission Outreach will soon be making an appeal to the Diocese for help in raising this money. I earnestly hope that the people of the Diocese will respond enthusiastically and generously.

Another priority is the establishment of permanent work on Saipan and Tinian with the eventual assignment of a priest to give attention to the rapidly expanding population. Already small congregations are being ministered to in both places by the church on Guam. I feel that the time is fast approaching for them to be erected to organized mission status.

I am convinced that Guam and the Trust Territory present this Diocese with a great opportunity for missionary expansion. Work is already well established and the Episcopal Church very well identified in all the area. I call the Diocese of Hawaii to accept the challenge before us and give full support to this exciting venture in Mission in the Pacific.

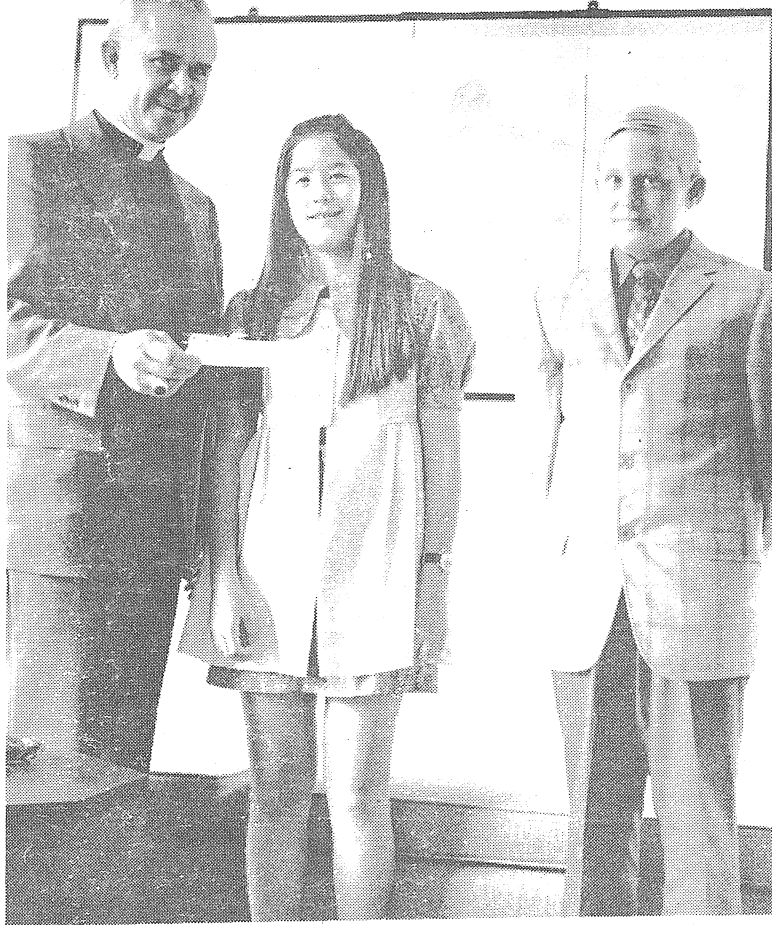
I also want to report to you where we are in terms of the proposal to build a Medical Center at Queen Emma Square.

The Feasibility Study was presented to the Board of Directors at their March meeting. It was received and no action taken pending a review of the Study by the Bank of Hawaii and the First Hawaiian Bank.

When reports are received from both banks, the Proposal will be put on the agenda of the Board of Directors and also referred to St. Peter's Church, St. Andrew's Priory and St. Andrew's Cathedral.

It is my hope that all parties concerned will act favorably on the Proposal, making it possible to move into the second stage of planning.

The Proposal seems to be bearing up well under scrutiny and appears to be feasible from every point of view.



Mini-Market does not mean mini-results. Pamela Ching of St. Peter's and Larry Mitchell of St. Andrew's, both in the 7th and 8th grade group of the Queen Emma Square Learning Group, prove the point by presenting the proceeds from their Palm Sunday mini-market to Bishop Hanchett. The market was a group project, planned and executed by enthusiastic students of all ages, with special leadership of Miss Sandra Nelson and manpower arrangements by St. Peter's E.C.Y. Their check of \$230.00 will go to the Presiding Bishop's Fund for World Relief.



# ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, GUAM



"Our doors and our hearts are open to all," is in word and deed the true message of St. John's Episcopal Church. The many people of Guam who seek a church family come to St. John's. From that beginning, the work of the Church becomes the work of the many and a driving force in the community.

Guam is a day ahead of Hawaii. It's all the fault of the International Dateline but the people of Guam proudly use the motto "Where America's Day Begins."

Looking at Guam another way it is years behind Hawaii. The problem is more complex than an arbitrary line drawn on the globe. The problem is remoteness. The problem is the once-lagging interest in development. The problem is the strict military control which was relaxed only in the

last decade.

Change does come however, even to Guam. And, as in our own case here in Hawaii, the tourist industry spawns quick change.

Guam is now a major resort destination for Japanese tourists. In the last couple of years nearly 1500 hotel rooms have sprung up in Guam. Land prices are skyrocketing and Guam now has residential subdivisions and the most modern shopping center west of San Francisco.

In the midst of all this change we find still another comparison with Hawaii. The military owns nearly one-third of the island, and government expenditures form the backbone of the local economy.

Add to this general background the fact that the people of Guam are predominantly Roman Catholic and you have the setting in which The Episcopal Church of St. John the Devine finds itself.

St. John's was begun by Bishop



Father Canice Cartmell (OFC-Cap.) engaged in an active dialogue with the young churchwomen of St. John's after his message "Christ, My Brother" at the March 1st Evening Lenten Program. The series of worship and meditations on the subject "Christ in Perspective" was another program of St. John's in its service to the Christian community on Guam.

Harry S. Kennedy in 1957 as a mission. Several Christians of various denominations came together with the Rev. Canon Richard Baker to begin regular worship in a Quonset Hut on Nim-itiz Hill which also served as a Synagogue Chapel. In 1958, the present magnificent site overlooking beautiful Tumon Bay was purchased and a surplus Quonset Hut was erected as a chapel.

In 1962, St. John's Preparatory School was founded to meet the need for good college preparatory education on Guam. After Typhoon Karen destroyed the school and chapel in 1962, construction of a new church was postponed in order to rebuild the school and

serve the stricken island's educational needs. Chapel was held in the Parish Hall until 1970 when the new typhoon and earthquake-proof church was completed.

When describing itself to others, St. John's speaks of being divided into three parts: Church, School, and Staff Housing. However, even in its very beginnings the three parts were quite interdependent. The school sprang from the church, and the staff housing from the need generated by both. And so it is today, with the dramatic expansion of the school based upon the development of church property to raise initial funds and to generate cash flow for the payment of school debt.

## NEWS FROM AROUND THE DIOCESE . . .

Everybody is doing it at **CAMP MOKULEIA** . . . EYC groups, special interest groups, parish families. To add to the creature comforts at camp, the Rev. W. H. Aulenback, director of campus and conferences, is asking for refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners and large fans for the camp. Anyone with contributions and/or idea please get in touch with him in the diocesan offices at Queen Emma Square. Gifts will be acknowledged for tax purposes.

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Congratulations to **PAUL TOWNSLEY** of **ST. CLEMENT'S** and **BOB McCORMICK** of **ST. GEORGE'S** for their individual recognitions by the Star Bulletin. Paul, Vice-Leader of the Wilder Bunch, was selected as Newspaper Carrier of the Year and with that title goes an expense-paid trip to Switzerland and Greece. Bob, an acolyte, was designated carrier of the Month for February 1972. Is there an annual award in store for him too?

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You read it somewhere else first. . . . That Palm Sunday Parade in Palama was an event and a half. Hats off to **ST. ELIZABETH'S**. Recognition, even if it is on the front page of a daily newspaper, is not the reward for all the hard work and community planning. The happening is its own reward and what a happening it was!

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Our own **JAN BOND**, local president of the ECW, will be guest speaker at the Annual Meeting of the ECW of the Diocese of Olympia May 3 in Seattle, Washington. She goes on from there to attend the ECW Provincial Meeting, May 8, 9, and 10 in Reno, Nevada.

Holy Week specials . . . The Maundy Thursday Easter Pageant which followed Holy Eucharist and a parish pot luck at **CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPARD** (Wailuku) . . . The many people, old and young, women and men, who turned out on Holy Saturday at **ST. TIMOTHY'S** to beautify the grounds, clean the Church, and prepare the Altar . . . The flowering of the Cross in our many parish churches . . . The cheerful sound of mite boxes and their happy bearers . . . The twenty-three adults of **ST. PETER'S** who spent a part of their Easter afternoon calling on shut-in members of the parish . . . Easter Sunday in a filled **ST. LUKE'S** and afterwards, a full and loving fellowship around the best Korean plate-lunch in Hawaii.

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Who are we and where are we going? Questions each parish asks but seldom in the organized manner of **ST. CHRISTOPHER'S**. They have retained an outside consulting firm to help them with their self-examination. Sounds like positive planning that other parishes could copy at least in part.

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**DEAR ABBY** she isn't, but for all of us in Hawaii involved in Christian Education **PEG CULLEY** is the answer to our prayers. Beginning in the next issue of the **CHRONICLE**, Peg will answer letters from Sunday School Teachers, parents, and clergy with her own no-nonsense advice.

If you have problems, share them with Peg. She's got at least some of the answers and in the open forum of the **CHRONICLE** we can tackle the problems together. Write her at the **CHRONICLE**, Queen Emma Square, Honolulu, 96813.

Mrs. David Hunter, Executive Council staff official and well-known leader in Christian education, will visit the Diocese in June to conduct a series of meetings on "The Ministry of the Laity." The meetings will be sponsored by the Episcopal Church Women and will be held on Oahu, Maui, Hawaii and Kauai.

The tentative schedule for the meetings is as follows:

Friday, June 9, evening meeting on Kauai.

Saturday, June 10, afternoon meeting on Oahu.

Sunday, June 11, evening meeting on Hawaii.

Monday, June 12, evening meeting on Hawaii.

Tuesday, June 13, evening meeting on Maui.

Mrs. Richard W. Bond, Jr., president of the Churchwomen is serving as chairman of the committee making arrangements for the visit of Mrs. Hunter. Others are Mrs. Richard T. Herkner, Mrs. George S. Walker, Mrs. R. A. Duncan, the Rev. David Cooling and the Rev. James G. Long.

Mrs. Hunter, who is additionally liaison officer for the national Episcopal Church and its relations with the Episcopal Church in Hawaii, also will meet with the Bishop and other Diocesan officials during her week-long stay in the Islands.

Fund raising, mission outreach, and the warm sociability of like-minded women working together is what the **Women of ST. JOHN'S GUAM** is all about.

Their "Mission Gift Shop," located next to the Church offices, features handicrafts from Christian missions in Okinawa and Hong Kong. Here on Guam its the place to buy that different and distinctive something for someone you want to remember. As the cheery volunteers who man the shop are quick to point out, "Where else can you get so much for your dollar, a unique and lovely gift for yourself or someone you love and the satisfaction of helping others."

The profits from the gift shop and the special events the ECW stage each year average between four and six thousand dollars. These monies have been used to assist St. George's Church in Chi Chi Jima (Bonin Islands), the Sisters of St. George's Convent in Ikinawa, the United Church of Christ's Mizpah High School in the Truk Islands, St. John's School and Church on Guam, and the Liebenzel Lutheran Mission on Yap.

This year, Sally Dunn, Guam ECW president, announced that the ECW decided to dedicate the profits from their annual Table Fashions Tea to the work of Christians in the Philippine com-

munity of Guam. The Table Fashions Tea, now in its fourteenth year, is one of Guam's most popular social events.

Thirty Table Settings in bright display, the work of twenty-five of Guam's women's organizations who annually participate in the affair, form the highlight of the Table Fashions Tea. This year the more than two thousand people who are expected to attend will have the additional pleasure of seeing an orchid show, four fashion shows, and an aquatic ballet.

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Golf is the name of the game and the beautiful Royal Lahaina golf course at Kaanapali, Maui, is the place to be between sessions of the Diocesan Convention this October.

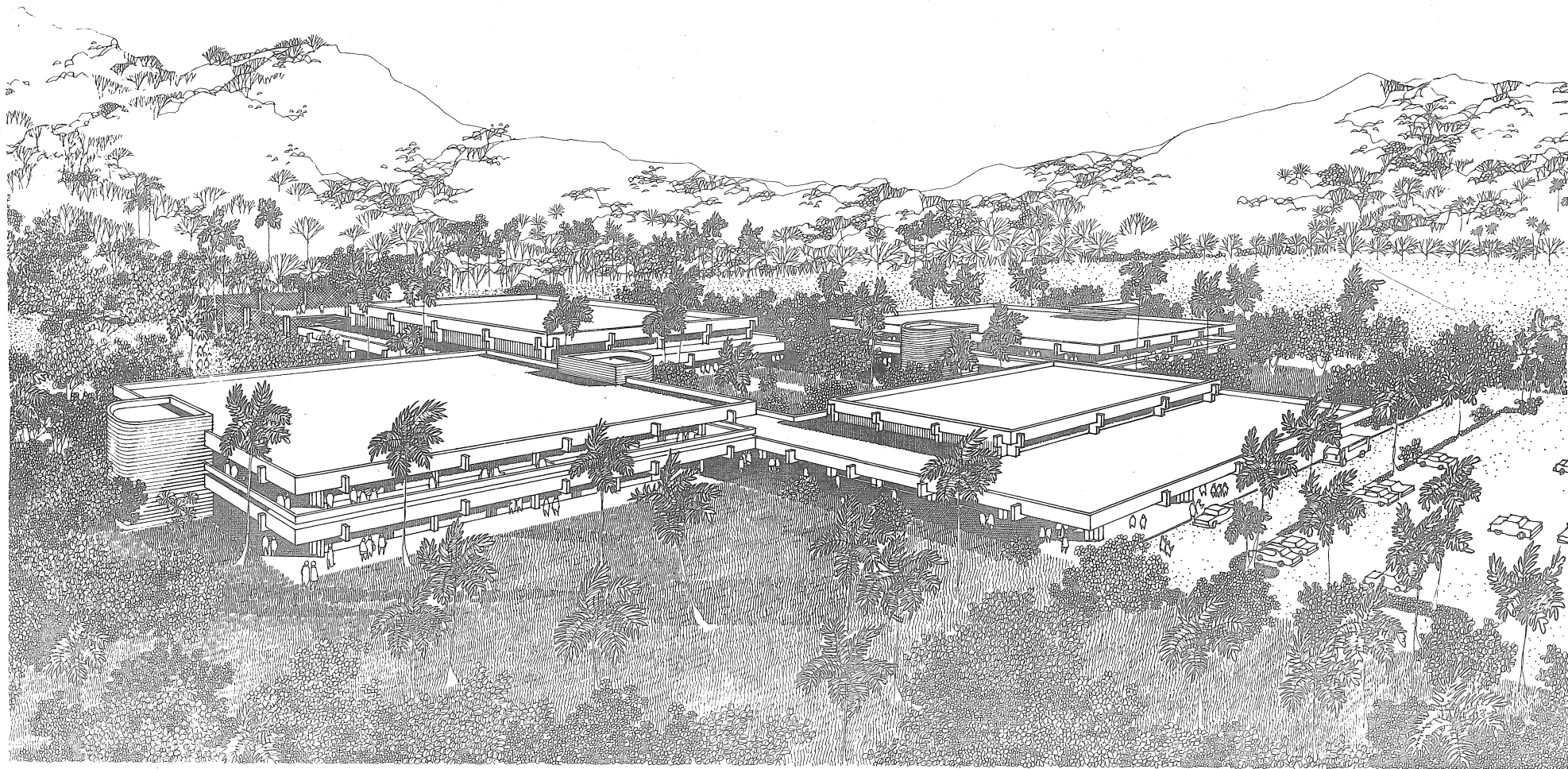
A group calling themselves the **GOLF COMMITTEE** is anxious to have all clergy and lay delegates to the convention join in what the committee bills at a BIG, BIG tourney with lots of prizes. To get things properly organized the committee needs early entries.

Golfer/delegates and delegate/golfers register now by sending \$3 together with your name, address, parish, and handicap to **GOLF COMMITTEE**, Episcopal Church in Hawaii, Queen Emma Square, Honolulu 96813.

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# St. John's Preparatory School, Guam



The plans for the new St. John's Preparatory School, now in the design stage by the architectural firm of MacKinlay/Winnacker, A.I.A. and Associates, will provide for a 1,000 student school with grades ranging from pre-Kindergarten through 12th. The conceptual plan produced by the architects envisages a two-story, completely air conditioned school complex laid out in the manner of a cruciform and consisting of essentially four large buildings. One would house the school administration, libraries for elementary and secondary schools, a

learning resources center, a language laboratory, a 150-student science amphitheatre, seminar or conference rooms off the libraries, plus storage and maintenance facilities for audio-visual equipment and other instructional aids. Two of the other buildings will house the elementary and secondary school facilities consisting primarily of classrooms. The fourth building opposite the administration-libraries complex will house a multi-purpose area serving as a chapel, auditorium and dining hall. Adjacent to it will be the gymnasium and associated athletic facilities.

The teachers' lounge at St. John's smells of coffee and clatters of cups hastily put down before the next class. The women who scoot in and out of this narrow crowded room talk about kids, 350 kids as if these kids were the most important kids in the world.

This is St. John's Preparatory School at Upper Tumon, Guam. The happy kids at recess are St. John's. The quiet kids and the kids who fidget in chapel are St. John's too. And the parents, and the staff.

The "Jesus People" who gather for lunch in the church sanctuary are St. John's. And so are the pre-Kindergarteners on the opposite end of the campus where the bright "Snoopy" figures mark the tot's playground.

Other church schools in other parts of the country face mounting difficulty with each new year. Expenses are up and enrollments are down. Enthusiasm is waning and the very validity of church schools is being questioned.

Not so with St. John's Preparatory School.

"We could stay as we are and our presence would be an important factor in the community," says Headmaster John Moore. "But that doesn't answer the Christian challenge. It doesn't even answer the needs put to education here in the Pacific."

The present St. John's Preparatory School looks on a Sunday morning much like any of our parish schools here in Hawaii. The administration building and library are quiet. The classroom buildings which stretch out perpendicular to the first building and in front and back of it are used as Sunday School classrooms. During the week, St. John's assumes a character quite unlike any parish school.

The day begins with the arrival of Government-of-Guam school buses from which kids pour in profusion. Automobiles are everywhere bringing teachers and even

more students, and throughout the day the automobiles keep coming now with parents who stream in and out of the business office or with people of St. John's Church who come and go on their various errands to the parish hall or the church itself.

The athletic fields and playgrounds which lay at either end of the campus are as busy as the parking lot. Kids with "SJ" emblazoned across their white shirts and blouses go off in all directions. If you could catch the kids and talk to them individually you would be surprised to learn that more than half of them don't attend St. John's Church and aren't Episcopalian. Sure, they go to chapel but a lot of kids you grab are Roman Catholic and a few are Buddhist.

No, this is no parish school. This is St. John's Preparatory School, unique in the Western Pacific and showing the peoples of the Pacific one of the great strengths of the Episcopal Church.

It's tempting to compare St. John's School now with Iolani or Punahou of many years ago. Both ends of the comparison offering education and opportunity equivalent to the mainland United States from their remote location in an overseas territory. Both, committing themselves to church and to community and to the future of each.

The temptation grows stronger as you see the 41-acres of raw, undeveloped land. "I drive out here and imagine the whole new St. John's School stretched out before me," the Rev. Jordan Peck, Vicar of St. John's Church said. "With all our planning, the long hard work of the Bishop's Committee and the School Board of Directors, we sometimes lose sight of the thing. Here it is real."

Application with the Government of Guam for this land is now being undertaken. Approximately three to six months of processing time is expected before title in the land can be vested. Concurrently,

negotiations will be undertaken with the United States Navy for use of the Navy water line and sewer line servicing the property.

The next concern must be for detailed architectural planning. Ben Dozier, Chairman of the Bishop's Advisory Council, Guam, said, "Our planning up to now has been generalized and little attention has been paid to the actual site of the proposed school. Now that we are reasonably sure of the location, we can begin to work on the plans we need for bidding and construction."

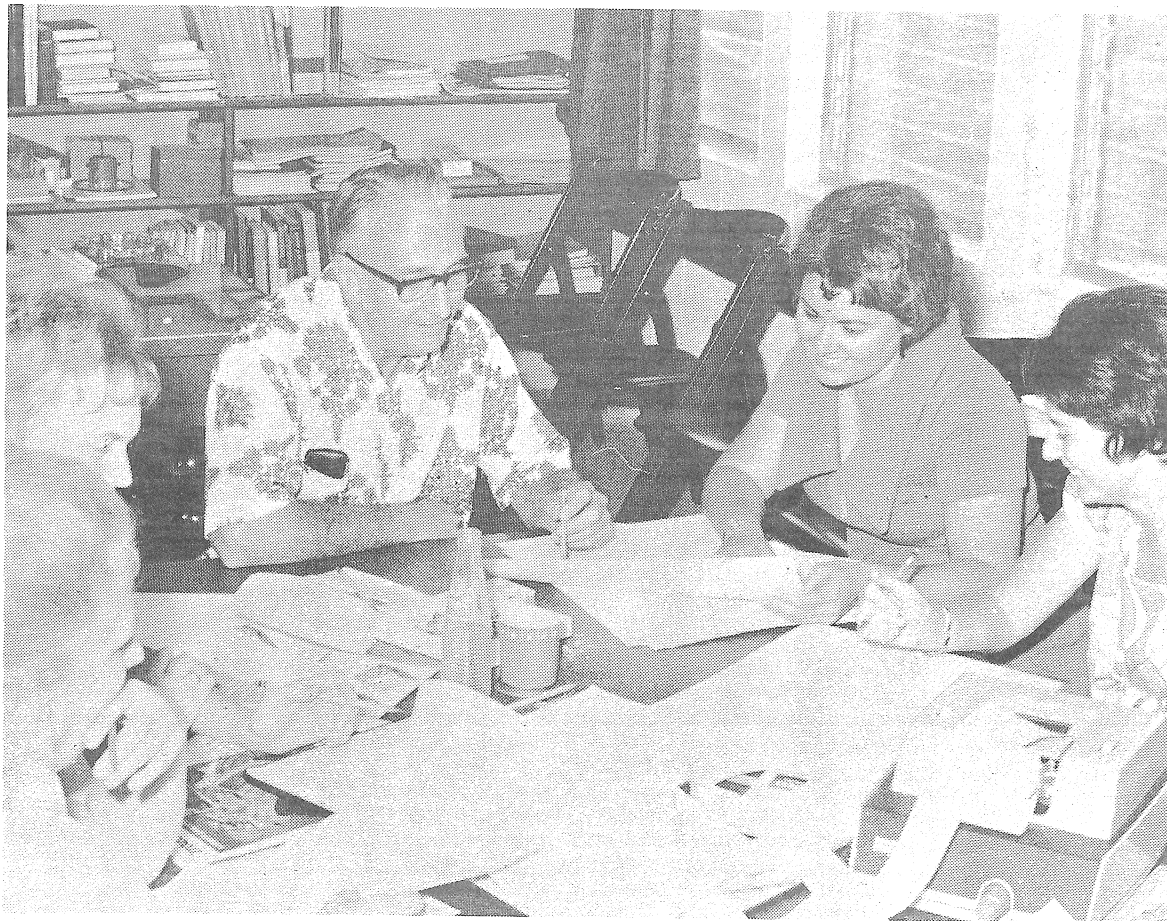
(Ed. Note: The rendering shown on this page shows the concept for construction of the new St. John's. The finished school will not necessarily match the rendering in detail. One major difference between the drawing and the final result will be in the site itself. The proposed site is a broad, gentle dome and there are no hills of low mountains near the site.)

Planning for the school and planning for the development of the St. John's Church property will go ahead together but planning for the church is now the most important because the proposed project at the church is ex-

pected to provide equity funds for the school project. Both phases of planning are expected to be accomplished within six months.

Fr. Peck and John Moore will head a delegation of Episcopal Churchmen of Guam to the Diocesan Convention on Maui this fall. Undoubtedly they would be delighted to bring us news of their progress on the new school at that time.

If you can't wait to ask your questions or to lend your support, you may write them at: The Episcopal Church of St. John the Divine, P.O. Box F.B., Agana, Guam, U.S.A., 96910.



It's not easy to find a reason for the success of St. John's Preparatory School. Individuals and their particular talents account for part of it but the strongest feeling one gets at St. John's is the spirit of total involvement by staff and community. Individual successes merge into the accomplishments of the entire school. Shown here are Headmaster Moore and his staff arriving at a happy solution to the annual budget, another team effort for total involvement. The result is a balanced budget.