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HIGH LIGHTS of GENERAL CONVENTION

Sessions of General Convention
10 a.m. and 2:30 p.m. weekdays except Saturday afternoons.

Preliminary, October 5th to 9th
Brotherhood of St. Andrew Convention, October 5th to 9th.
Daughters of the King Convention, October 5th to 9th.
Sunday, October 7th, sermons by the Bishop of New Jersey and visiting bishops in Atlantic City Churches.
National Council Meeting, October 8th and 9th.

Opening Day, October 10th
Corporate Communion for Bishops and Deputies, Church of the Ascension, 7:30 a.m.
Holy Communion for Woman's Auxiliary, All Saints' Church, 7:30 a.m.
Opening Service, Convention Hall Main Auditorium, 11 a.m. Sermon by the Presiding Bishop. Massed choirs.

Convention sessions begin: House of Bishops, Vernon Room, Haddon Hall Hotel, 3 p.m. House of Deputies, Convention Hall, 3 p.m. Woman's Auxiliary, Westminster Hall, Chelsea Hotel, 2:30 p.m.
Evening: General Reception. All Church people invited to meet the Presiding Bishop and other leaders of the Church and the Woman's Auxiliary.

U. T. O., October 11th
Convention Hall, Main Auditorium, Corporate Communion for the women of the Church, with the presentation of the United Thank Offering, 8 a.m.
Missionary Mass Meeting, 8:30 p.m. The Presiding Bishop, chairman. Greeting by the Bishop of New Jersey. Address by Bishop Creighton of Mexico, Suffragan of Long Island. Announcement of the United Thank Offering.

Joint Session, October 12th
House of Bishops and House of Deputies together; the Woman's Auxiliary delegates invited to attend; in Assembly Room, Convention Hall.

October 13th
Corporate Communion for National Conference of Deaconesses, St. James' Church, 7:30 a.m.
Breakfast and triennial conference of
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WOMEN TO STUDY THEIR PART IN NEW WORLD PLAN

**Feature of Auxiliary Sessions
Will be Presentation of United
Thank Offering**

The chief feature of the triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in Atlantic City will be a study of the part Christian womanhood must take in the new world order. The subjects to be presented and the group conferences center on the theme, If We Be His Disciples.

The Auxiliary, of which Miss Grace Lindley of New York is the executive head, is one of the most influential organizations within the Church. It has a membership of approximately 500,000 Church women in all parts of the world.

Contributed \$5,750,000

One feature of the work of the Auxiliary, apart from the spiritual leadership, is the presentation of the United Thank Offering.
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DAUGHTERS OF KING CONVENTION MEETS OCTOBER 5TH-9TH

**Quiet Hour to Feature Opening Day
of National Sessions; Business
Meetings in Colton Manor Hotel**

A quiet hour, with the theme, The Call of Christ, is to feature the opening day of the 20th national convention of the Daughters of the King in Atlantic City. The convention opens October 5th and closes October 9th.

All services will be held in St. James' Church. Meditations, business sessions, and conferences will be held in Colton Manor Hotel.

The registration office opens at the hotel at 9:30 a.m. October 5th. The quiet hour will be conducted at 3:30 p.m. by the Rev. Dr. Leicester C.
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General Convention Radio Broadcasts

Sunday, Sept. 16, 9 a.m., E. S. T. (Episcopal Church of the Air)—Rev. Ze Barney T. Phillips (Columbia System).
Sunday, Oct. 7, 11:15 a.m., E. S. T. Pre-convention Sermon—Rt. Rev. Paul B. Matthews (Columbia System).
Wednesday, Oct. 10, 11 a.m., E. S. T.—Nation-wide broadcast of the Opening Service—Most Rev. James DeWolf Perry.
Daily throughout General Convention—6 p.m., E. S. T., 15-minute news summary. On Thursday, Oct. 11, news broadcast, announcement of the United Thank Offering.

Onward



Primate Stresses Importance of Convention, Lauds Daily

BY THE PRESIDING BISHOP

A daily newspaper of the General Convention, edited by the Morehouse Publishing Company, with the cooperation of other Church editors, will supply a need which at every meeting of Convention has been keenly felt. Bishops and deputies, and our Church people at home, have had in former years to depend upon weekly reports in one or other of the Church weeklies, or upon the secular press. We welcome, I personally welcome, the opportunity which will be given the Convention to speak day after day through a representative medium to the thousands who are gathered at Atlantic City and to the hundreds of thousands who will be waiting eagerly throughout the Church for trustworthy reports. It is well that this General Convention should be chosen for the publicity so generously offered. In ways and in a degree not previously known the dioceses and parishes, and particularly the missionary districts, will feel the effect of the attitude manifested and of the action taken by their representatives.

The Most Rev. James DeWolf Perry, D.D., Bishop of Rhode Island and Presiding Bishop

The Christian Church has always been peculiarly sensitive to critical points in its history. Councils and

conventions have naturally emphasized these emergencies from the time that the Apostolic Council met at Jerusalem until the present moment. Every age feels itself to be, as it really is, a time of crisis. Especially on a new continent where the Church, like the nation, is in rapid process of adjustment, we are conscious of momentous turning points. Our General Conventions have been milestones, each one marking some new problem to be faced and solved. We can seem this year, however, to hear the warning of Joshua to his hosts as they approached their goal, "Ye have not come this way before."

At the Convention a century ago, responding to the voice of George Washington Doane, Bishop of the diocese in which we are now to assemble, the Church declared its missionary
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Marriage and Divorce Most Difficult Question Today

**BY THE RT. REV. I. P. JOHNSON
Bishop of Colorado**

The most difficult questions which the Church has to meet are those which confront us in the matter of the remarriage of divorced persons. The easiest way to settle it is to make a hard and fast rule that the Church will not marry persons who have been baptized, married and divorced.

Since 1918 the Roman Church has

40,000 TO IN CONVENTION

**Deputies and Visitors Planning
to Attend Sessions from All
Parts of World**

BY THE REV. G. W. HOBBS, D.D.

From the uttermost parts of the earth, all roads are converging today upon Atlantic City where, on October 10th, the 51st triennial General Convention of the Episcopal Church will assemble.

It is expected that approximately 40,000 people will attend the opening service and a more than usually large daily attendance is expected because of the close proximity to Atlantic City of half a dozen of the larger dioceses of the Church.

This far encompassing range of the great voice of the Church is worth emphasizing in these times of world stress and strife. Not any isolated
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BROTHERHOOD'S SESSIONS OPEN ON OCTOBER 5TH

**Two Meetings to be Conducted at
Same Time Until October 9th, Pre-
ceding General Convention**

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew, an international organization for the spread of Christ's Kingdom among men and boys, will hold its triennial national convention in Atlantic City from October 5th to October 9th, just preceding the General Convention of the Church.

This convention is for all men and boys of the Church. It is not a delegated body, nor is it limited to members of the Brotherhood. There will
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Bishop Booth to Conduct Pre-Convention Retreat

The House for Retreats and Church Conferences at Bernardsville, N. J., is sponsoring days of intercession for the General Convention on the Fridays in September and the first Friday in October. These will be followed by a retreat for both men and women the week-end of October 5th to 7th conducted by Bishop Booth of Vermont.

The retreat, while primarily intended for the clerical and lay deputies to General Convention, and the delegates to the Woman's Auxiliary meeting, is open to anyone interested. Information and rates may be obtained from the Rev. T. A. Conover, secretary, at Bernardsville.

Exhibitors Plan Excellent Displays at Convention

Exhibitors at General Convention this year will present one of the finest displays of ecclesiastical art and church necessities ever prepared for any similar meeting.

A greater variety is offered, authorities believe, because of the convenient location of the Convention this year on the Atlantic coast.

The best examples of stained glass, vestments, publishing, metal and wood work, will be on display for the thou-

sands of visiting men and women from all parts of the world.

Business transacted at General Convention by these firms reaches an unbelievable figure. In addition to sales made at the Convention, the way is prepared through the exhibits for future sales.

The exhibitions will include altars, altar hangings, altar breads, altar wines, auditorium furniture, bells and
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National Council Institute Sessions October 15th to 18th

Large enrolments at the two past sessions of General Convention are causing officials to predict a record-breaking number of delegates and visitors will participate in the third National Council Training Institute in connection with General Convention. The school's sessions will be from October 15th to 18th.

This school for preparation for Church work under trained leadership will consist of 23 classes. The classes will meet in Convention Hall where large and comfortable class rooms insure ample space. There will be two periods each morning: 9 to 10 o'clock, and 10:15 to 11:15. There is no charge for attendance at these classes. The object is to give parish and diocesan leaders an opportunity to share their experiences and gain new ideas.

The Rev. Dr. A. M. Sherman, secretary for Missionary Education, Department of Religious Education, National Council, is dean of the faculty. Advance registration is not necessary. Arrangements for registration in Atlantic City will be provided in Convention Hall from noon October 8th to noon October 13th.

The complete program follows:

FIRST PERIOD: 9-10 A.M.

1. ORIENTALS IN THE UNITED STATES—Miss Margaret I. Marston, educational secretary, Woman's Auxiliary.

A course planned for those who will be leading parish groups studying this theme. There will be a review of the literature on the subject, consideration of methods of procedure, and some discussion of the problems facing Orientals in American life.

2. JAPAN

—Dr. Sherman.

A study of the forces which are reshaping Japan, and of the opportunities before the Church for advancing the Kingdom of God in the island Empire of the East. Primarily for those who expect to lead study groups.

MOVING PICTURES—John W. Wood, D.C.L., executive secretary, Department of Foreign Missions, and Mrs. F. A. Habersham.

A portrayal of missionary work as recorded by the movie camera of Mrs. Habersham. The pictures of work in the Orient she showed at Denver deeply stirred many people. In 1933 and 1934 she has explored new fields. Each showing of the films will be preceded by a brief statement concerning the field portrayed.

4. MISSIONARY PRINCIPLES AND METHODS.

A discussion of evangelistic, educational, and medical work in foreign mission fields. The topics will be presented and discussed by experienced missionaries.

5. PROGRAM BUILDING FOR WOMEN'S GROUPS—Miss Edna B. Beardsley, assistant secretary, Woman's Auxiliary.

A review of the needs and resources of parish life which underlie the development of a parish program for women, the motives and objects of such a program and the methods by which it is formulated.

6. PARENT EDUCATION IN THE CHURCH; A Course for Leaders—Mrs. William E. Leidt, director of religious education, St. Barnabas' Church, Irvington, New York.

This course will consider materials and methods for use in a parish plan of parent education, including materials and methods for individual parents and for parents' groups; how to interest parents in a study of the religious education of their children; and the place of the home in the religious education of the child.

7. THE PARISH MEETS THE NEW LEISURE—The Rev. C. Rankin Barnes, executive secretary, Department of Christian Social Service.

Beginning with a presentation of the potentialities and dangers of the new leisure, the course will proceed to treat the social values involved in recreation. The social functions of the parish house will be discussed in detail and the course will conclude with case studies of practical programs in recreation and social education.

8. RURAL TRENDS AND NEW PHASES IN RURAL WORK—The Rev.

Goodrich R. Fenner, secretary for Rural Work, Department of Christian Social Service.

Great changes have taken place in rural community affairs in the last 14 years. The Church has felt the impact of these changes, but she has made fewer adjustments than any other rural social institution. This course will consider the specific emphases and methods in rural work required by these changes.

9. THE MEANING OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—The Rev. Daniel A. McGregor, Ph.D., executive secretary, Department of Religious Education.

This course will be an assembly for all interested in religious education. It will attempt to clarify the objectives which the Church seeks in her whole educational work, so that some standard may be available for judging the values of methods and programs.

10. PUBLICITY FOR THE CHURCH—The Rev. John W. Irwin, Assistant Secretary, Department of Publicity.

A consideration of the general psychology of publicity, and a series of very practical talks and discussions about parish methods, ways to secure publicity—adapted for the rural parish and for the metropolitan one. An exhibit will include samples of various kinds of publicity used throughout the Church, and in addition such mechanical equipment as will help.

11. LEADERSHIP OF YOUNG PEOPLE (for adults only)—Miss Dorothy May Fischer, secretary for Young People, Department of Religious Education.

A panel discussion with various national leaders of youth groups in the panel. The course is for all those interested in and working with the youth of the Church (14-25 years), whether through the Y.P.S.L., Y.P.F., Girls' Friendly, Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Sir Galahad, or other organizations.

12. STUDENT PROBLEMS IN RELIGION—The Rev. Theodore O. Wedel, Ph.D., secretary for College Work, Department of Religious Education.

A discussion group led by various men active in the college field.

SECOND PERIOD: 10:15-11:15 A.M.

13. THE RECTOR AND THE CHURCH SCHOOL—The Rev. Vernon C. McMaster, secretary for Church Schools, Department of Religious Education.

The rector is charged by the church with definite responsibility for the Christian nurture of the youth of his parish. Much of this responsibility must be delegated to others. What relations to the Church school must the rector retain?

14. THE DIOCESAN DEPARTMENT OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—Deaconess Frances Edwards, assistant to executive secretary, Department of Religious Education.

Officers and members of diocesan departments of religious education will consider together problems of diocesan program and organization, and the relationship of the diocesan department to parishes and to the national department. The findings will be compiled for the use of diocesan leaders. Advance registration and preparation are desired.

15. CHRISTIAN EDUCATION IN THE HOME—Mrs. George B. Barbour, former professor of religious education, Yenching, China.

This course will discuss the problems of nurturing the religious life of the child in the home. It will concern itself with the earliest religious experiences and habits of children and with the questions which they raise. It will be of special interest to parents and to those interested in parent education.

16. THE ART OF CHRISTIAN TEACHING—Miss Mabel Lee Cooper, secretary for Teacher Training, Department of Religious Education.

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We are not trained teachers. The best we can say for ourselves is that we are teachers in training for there is much to learn of methods and materials. This course is planned for teachers who wish to improve their teaching method, and for all who are interested in securing better teachers and officers for our Church schools.

17. STUDENT PROBLEMS IN RELIGION—The Rev. Theodore O. Wedel, Ph.D., secretary for College Work, Department of Religious Education.

A continuation of Course 11.

18. THE STANDARDS AND TECHNIQUE OF RELIGIOUS DRAMA—The Rev. Phillips E. Osgood, D.D., chairman of the Commission on Religious Drama.

A brief survey of the historic churchly precedents of religious drama and its present use in the average parish.

19. METHODS IN MISSIONARY EDUCATION FOR ADULTS—William E. Leidt, associate editor, the *Spirit of Missions*.

A brief survey of the nature of adult missionary education together with a consideration of some effective means of reaching the whole parish, smaller groups, and individuals.

20. THE HOLY LAND: THE PEOPLE AND THE GOSPEL—Canon C. T. Bridgeman, American Educational Chaplain in Jerusalem for the past 10 years.

The Holy Land as the meeting place of the races and religions of the world. The work of the Anglican Church in relation to Jews and Moslems. The Ancient Churches of the Christian East and their call for our aid in education. Jerusalem as a fountainhead of Christian unity.

21. THE CHURCH'S SHARE IN SOCIAL RECONSTRUCTION—Spencer Miller, Jr., Consultant on Industrial Relations, Department of Christian Social Service.

This course will present a brief history of the rise of interest of the Church in social and industrial problems and will consider the special genius of the Church in a period of change to guide men in the task of social reconstruction.

22. PROBLEMS OF THE MODERN FAMILY—Miss Mary S. Brisley, executive secretary, Church Mission of Help.

Problems drawn from actual experience will be discussed but always for the purpose of drawing out positive suggestions for the development of sound family life, satisfying and stimulating to its members, and useful to the common life. The discussion method will be used and there will be a constant referring of solutions and principles to the Christian religion as a test of their validity.

23. ALTAR WORK—Mrs. Stuart Symington, diocesan Altar Guild, Maryland.

Four addresses: (1) Symbolism—The language of the Church, necessary knowledge for reverence and service in Altar work. (2) Technique—For workers in the Sacristy, Sanctuary, Baptistry, etc. (3) Technique—Vestments: their care, making, meaning, origin and use. (4) Altar Guilds—Parish, diocesan, national: their scope and opportunity.

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character and purpose. That Christian venture which is the very life of the Church is now in the balances. This Convention must determine whether it shall maintain or abandon the support of the mission fields for which it has become responsible. Shall our brethren who have been left in uncertainty receive from us news confirming their fears, or a message of good tidings?

Grave Issues at Stake

The nation as well as the Church has issues at stake in this and every Christian council. Our countrymen have come through months and years of confusion and suffering, longing for light to break through the clouds of perplexity and to show signs of promise. The moment has passed when these may be realized through industrial reform or material restoration. The world with good reason is looking now to the Church for guidance. Can we as a Convention, looking beyond the economic problems that have pressed upon us, discern and declare the Christian principles which alone can offer a solution?

Not only our own nation awaits a message which can bring confidence and courage. The Christian citizenship of different lands must become interwoven with renewed understanding and spiritual sympathy. I have returned just now from conference with our brethren in the countries of Europe and in England where the Church is striving for right international relations. This cannot be accomplished until Christ's followers of all nationalities claim their part in

world-wide fellowship. The only defenses against war can be reared upon Christian foundations. If the hand of the Church is felt and the voice of the Church is heard in determined resolve, it will constitute a power against which the gates of hell cannot prevail. May there go forth from this Convention a spirit which will both speak and make for peace on earth.

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CONVENTION HOST, BISHOP MATTHEWS, TENDERS GREETING

Diocesan of New Jersey Recounts Plans Made for Accommodation of Atlantic City Visitors

BY THE
RT. REV. PAUL MATTHEWS
Bishop of New Jersey

There are always special problems to be met in arranging for the great gathering of all the forces of the Church which we call the General Convention, and Atlantic City is no exception to this condition.

In the first place the Episcopal churches in Atlantic City are inadequate to accommodate the large number of people who desire to go to church on Sunday. This difficulty will be met by using the Assembly Hall in the Auditorium for Church services on Sunday morning. Four thousand persons can be seated in this great hall, and it is very accessible to the hotels. The Bishop of Washington is to preach on October 14th, and it is hoped that the Young People's Convention will be in attendance at this service. In the afternoon of that day the Children's Service will be held in this Assembly Hall Church; but it is planned not to have a cut and dried "Children's service" at this time, usually uninteresting to "grownups" and children alike. We hope to give the children a view of our moving picture now in preparation, entitled The New World, and giving a graphic presentation of the life of the Church in this New World; to be followed by a parade with bands and banners on the Boardwalk.

The House of Deputies is to meet for its business sessions in this Assembly Hall, and they will certainly have room enough and plenty of fresh air, as there is a great colonnaded portico looking out over the sea. The acoustics of the hall are remarkably good. The exhibits will be displayed in the large lobbies surrounding the Assembly Hall. There are ample committee rooms and writing and smoking rooms.

The House of Bishops will meet in the Vernon Room of Haddon Hall Hotel, and this hotel will be the general headquarters; there will be a special chapel for the Bishops in Haddon Hall and here many important meetings will be held.

The Woman's Auxiliary headquarters is to be in the Chelsea Hotel, and their meeting place is in Westminster Hall adjoining the hotel. This hall is a very beautiful and roomy meeting place and ample committee rooms are available and conveniently located.

The General Reception for all the Church people who desire to come is to be held in the Assembly Hall of the Auditorium on Wednesday evening, October 10th. Here also the joint session of the Convention is to meet on Friday, October 12th; and on that evening the moving picture entitled

The New World is to be given there. This historic commemoration of the life of the Church in the New World of North America, very appropriately falls on Columbus Day.

30,000 at Opening

The so-called Opening Service of the General Convention is to be held in the Main Auditorium on Wednesday, October 10th, at 11 a.m. We are expecting a gathering of 30,000 Church people but are prepared to accommodate even more. A great choir of 1,000 voices is to be massed behind the high altar, which will be flanked by seats for the vested clergy and the bishops. Visiting representative choirs from Long Island, New York, Newark, Pennsylvania, and Delaware will join with another from New Jersey to lead the procession. The Presiding Bishop is to deliver his Message to the Church at this service. The great organ, the largest in the world, will be played by Mr. Firmin Twinner of Wilmington, Delaware.

On Thursday morning the Corporate Communion for the Women of the Church and the presentation of the United Thank Offering will take place in the Auditorium, and it is expected that a very large congregation will be present; 10,000 at least and perhaps more. This service will be as quiet and devotional as it can be made. Of course the real opening service of the Convention will be the Corporate Communion for the bishops and deputies which will be held in Ascension Church on Wednesday morning at 7:30 o'clock; and for the Woman's Auxiliary at All Saints' Church.

Post Office in Auditorium

The post office will be located in the main lobby of the Auditorium on the ground floor and here will also be the general business office of the Convention. How sadly Mr. C. A. Tompkins' genial presence will be missed! The main registration office and bureau of information will also be located here.

While it is a pity that we could not arrange for "a General Convention under one roof" and the distances between the Chelsea Hotel and Haddon Hall are considerable, yet the motor corps is prepared with transportation wherever needed, and the trip up or down the Boardwalk in a wheel chair is an experience in itself; and, after all, these distances are not so great as in many other places where the General Convention has met.

When Washington becomes Church headquarters a great Synod Hall there could house the whole Convention with the Cathedral in the center, and the Archbishop of Washington as the Primate of the American Church; until that happy day we shall have to continue to meet where and as we can.

We in New Jersey feel that it is a great privilege to have the Convention meet within our boundaries; we hope for great things from it, and in it, and for it.

Women to Study Their Part in Plan

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ship which will be brought to bear in connection with the proposed study, is its United Thank Offering, presented triennially to the Church for missionary effort. The U.T.O., since its institution in 1889, has contributed a total of \$5,750,000 for the promotion and support of missions.

The projected study of woman's part in the new era is the result of conferences which have been conducted during the past three years by the executive board of the Auxiliary. The program will embrace a series of addresses on world topics by national leaders. Following each address, which will serve as a keynote, the delegates will divide into groups for discussion purposes. The findings of the groups later will be embodied in a message to the world membership of the Auxiliary, and during the coming three years the Auxiliary will direct its work along the lines suggested in the findings.

Convention Speakers

Speakers include the Rev. Dr. Frank Gavin, of General Theological Seminary; Dr. Francis C. M. Wei, president of Central China College, Wuchang; Miss Vida D. Scudder; the Rev. Dr. Howard C. Robbins, of General Theological Seminary. Bishop Spencer of West Missouri will be the speaker at the closing service.

Miss Elizabeth Matthews of Glendale, Ohio, has been nominated by the executive board for the office of presiding officer. Miss Lindley will present her name at the opening session.

Miss Lindley Leads Meditations

Miss Lindley has been asked to lead the noon meditations, as she did in Denver.

Much interest always centers in the election of new members of the national executive board. The triennial elects eight of the 19 members. Eight are elected by the provinces; two represent the Girls' Friendly Society and C. M. H. respectively, and the 19th member is the executive secretary. Members who have served two consecutive terms cannot be elected for a third consecutive term. Four members at large of the present board are ineligible for re-election this year. The nominations committee makes its report October 15th and the elections take place October 17th.

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be two conventions at the same time, one for boys and young men under 21, and one for men over 21, with joint mass meetings and inspirational meetings in the evenings. A splendid program has been planned, including addresses by prominent speakers.

Prominent Speakers

Among the speakers will be the Presiding Bishop, Bishop Stires of Long Island, Bishop Darst of East Carolina, Bishop Freeman of Washington, Bishop Matthews of New Jersey; the Rev. Drs. B. I. Bell, Karl M. Block, G. Warfield Hobbs, D. A. McGregor, Joseph Fort Newton, Theodore O. Wedel; the Rev. Messrs. Gordon M. Reese, H. A. L. Sadtler, E. H. Bonsall, D. W. Gateson, C. Leslie Glenn, W. R. G. Irwin; Dr. John W. Wood, Leon C. Palmer, George H. Randall, Richard H. Ranger, Douglas C. Turnbull, Jr., and J. R. Marcum.

During the past year the Brotherhood of St. Andrew has continued to grow in numbers, having now more than 669 active chapters.

Arrangements have been made for special hotel and railroad rates for those who attend the Brotherhood convention. Registration this year will be \$2 for men and \$1 for boys under 21.

Leon C. Palmer, general secretary of the Brotherhood, 202 South 19th street, Philadelphia, will be glad to furnish additional information, and to receive registrations and room reservations.

The Rev. Gordon M. Reese, of

Vicksburg, formerly field secretary for the Brotherhood and now vice-chairman of its young men's division committee, is director of the Boys' and Young Men's Divisions of the national convention. He is assisted by Richard H. Ranger, of Newark, chairman of the boys' division committee of the national organization.

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A Convention Newspaper

The publication of this first issue of THE LIVING CHURCH GENERAL CONVENTION DAILY marks, we believe, a new departure in the field of religious journalism, at least so far as our Church is concerned. Its uniqueness consists not in the fact that General Convention is to have a daily paper but that it is to have a daily newspaper. The distinction is a very real and important one.

Daily papers there have often been in connection with Church conventions and conferences. The Methodists had an excellent daily *Christian Advocate* at their General Conference in Atlantic City last year. In our own Church, the *Churchman* was a pioneer in this field, publishing a daily paper in connection with General Convention some 50 years ago or more. One of the newest constituent bodies of the Anglican communion, the Holy Catholic Church in China, had a daily paper in connection with its General Synod last spring.

But none of these daily periodicals, nor any similar ones that have come to our attention, were newspapers in the true sense of the word. They were stenographic reports, or official bulletins, or programs of events. They did not attempt to report the news of Church activities in true journalistic style just as the secular dailies report the news of the world.

That is what THE LIVING CHURCH GENERAL CONVENTION DAILY is going to attempt to do. It is our aim to fill in the bleak skeleton of stenographic minutes with the flesh and blood of eye witness description interestingly written. This body of facts we shall not conceal but enhance with the cloak of informed comment, the top hat of intelligent criticism, and the shoes of practical pragmatism.

It is, in short, our object to make this General Convention Daily a well dressed journalistic gentleman rather than a skull-and-bones wherewith to illustrate the sometimes squeaking joints of the body ecclesiastic. In that adventure we seek the friendly co-operation of Churchmen everywhere.

"The People Back Home"

We often hear this expression in Washington: "the people back home." The members of Congress sometimes refer to their constituents with this phrase. More frequently, the constituents themselves use it, when writing letters or sending telegrams to their Representatives or Senators. The members of Congress are reminded thus that they are in Washington as the emissaries of the people of the nation.

Of course, the members of General Convention receive fewer general petitions and particular requests than do the members of Congress. But they do get some. Even the Presiding Bishop has a daily sheaf of letters and telegrams. Perhaps none of the writers or senders uses the term, "the people back home." But they might, accurately, if they chose. For they are the great body of Church people everywhere in the country who are being represented at General Convention by a comparatively few of their number. What is done at General Convention affects them vitally. Naturally, they take a keen interest in it. Or they certainly should.

We hasten to say that we are not about to suggest that the Church people "back home" take their pens or their type-writers in hand, or dash to the telegraph office, to send messages to the bishops and deputies and delegates at General Convention. What they are already doing in that direction will probably suffice. But we do make the suggestion that they all take a "continuing interest" in the proceedings. This can only be done by following the accounts in the Church papers with lively attention.

The Church people "back home" can help the sessions. In fact, their help is indispensable. They contribute wider and deeper understanding of General Convention. Above all, they offer their prayers that what is done may be right and that it may be done in the right spirit. No Church people are a more vital part of Convention than "the people back home."

CHURCH ANXIOUSLY AWAITS EVERYMAN'S OFFERING RESULTS

General Convention to Receive Report on Drive Among Men to Meet Deficit

The general Church is anxiously awaiting the report at General Convention on Everyman's Offering.

A group of laymen in Southern Ohio, under the leadership of Charles P. Taft, took the lead in an attempt to meet the Church's deficit of \$500,000. They organized, extended their work on a national scale and urged the men of the Church to come to the rescue to avoid further cuts of the Church's budget.

The goal for this men's offering, to be presented at General Convention, is a contribution from every man. The committee, in its literature, called attention to the fact that the women and children of the Church were aiding through their offerings, but that to date the men had no offering of their own.

Chairmen were named in the various dioceses and missionary districts, and they were placed in charge of the organization of the work in their areas.

High Lights of General Convention

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Deaconesses, Y. W. C. A., 8:30 a.m.
Young people's conference, 9 a.m.
THE LIVING CHURCH dinner, Seaside Hotel, 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, October 14th and 21st
Early Celebration and usual morning services in all Atlantic City churches.

Morning Prayer and sermon in Assembly Room Church, Convention Hall, 11 a.m.

Children's service in Assembly Room, Convention Hall, 3:20 p.m., Oct. 14th.

Mass meetings in the interest of foreign and domestic missions, Assembly Room, Convention Hall, 8 p.m. Evening services omitted in Atlantic City churches.

Other Services

Daily celebration in all Atlantic City parish churches, and in chapel for House of Bishops.

Corporate Communion for various bodies, as arranged for in parish churches.

Devotional services daily before Convention sessions.

Special services for various bodies as requested.

National Council Institute

Classes daily, October 15th to October 19th.

Exhibits

By various organizations, in Convention Hall, daily from 9 a.m.

Boardwalk National Arcade: art work

and Church furnishings, Church and other books and publications, clerical outfits, embroideries, vestments, etc.

Mass Meetings

Foreign Missions, Department of Religious Education, American Church Institute for Negroes, Commission on Evangelism, Christian Social Service, Domestic Missions, Rural Work, Seamen's Church Institute, Church Army.

Various Meetings and Services

Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Federation of Church Clubs, Laymen's League, Society of Nazarine, Order of Deaconesses, Guild of St. Barnabas, Girls' Friendly Society, Church Periodical Club, Church Mission of Help, National Committee of Diocesan Altar Guilds, and other organizations.

Pilgrimages

To historic places Saturday afternoons, for Convention members and visitors.

Social Events

Besides the Bishop's Dinner and the General Reception. Dinners: by provinces, for delegates and visitors, seminary alumni, deans, diocesan chancellors, college alumni, Church clubs, Church Army, Girls' Friendly

Society, Church Mission of Help, Young People's Fellowship, Church hospitals.

Luncheons: Girls' Friendly Society, diocesan secretaries and treasurers, missionary, Woman's Auxiliary, visiting choirs.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Each day of General Convention the Daily will carry in a box on the front page a summary of the important features for that day.

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Church Building Fund Now Has \$800,000 Capital

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In the interim the commission has made loans totaling \$2,951,000 and gifts and grants totaling \$719,304, through which 2,555 churches, rectories, and parish houses in all parts of the world have been financed.

A report to this effect has been prepared by the Rev. Dr. Charles L. Pardee, secretary of the commission, for submission to General Convention.

The commission, in the 54 years of its operation, has sustained but one loss, of \$3,500, which resulted from the collapse of a land boom in a section where funds were advanced for the building of a church.

The commission was organized in 1880 by General Convention, to aid in the construction of church buildings, rectories, and parish houses. It is incorporated under the laws of the state of New York, and its resources consist of offerings from congregations, individual gifts, legacies, and interest on loans made to church corporations.

Its method of operation is to advance funds for the purposes named on the approval of the bishop of the diocese interested, provided there is no other indebtedness on the property, and at present not in excess of \$10,000. Interest on the loan is fixed at five per cent and the terms provide for repayment over a period of 10 years.

These repayments as made are returned to the capital fund from which the advance was made, while the interest is credited to the income account out of which the other two features of the plan are financed—outright gifts which are carefully made where the amount of the gift, never in excess of \$1,000, will make possible the completion of a church free of all indebtedness and grants, which are loans on mortgages, but without interest.

AMERICAN LAUSANNE GROUP REORGANIZED

Regional Committee Formed Includes as Nucleus Delegates of Various Churches to World Conference

NEW YORK—The American Regional Committee of the World Conference on Faith and Order at a recent meeting here adopted the executive committee's recommendations that it reorganize itself as a regional committee under the chairmanship of the American vice president, Dr. J. Ross Stevenson, including as the nucleus of its organization all those officially selected by their respective Churches as delegates to Lausanne in 1937. The Rev. Floyd W. Tomkins, rector of St. John's Church, Washington, Conn., was elected secretary.

A committee which included the Presiding Bishop and the Rev. Mr. Tomkins, was appointed to confer with the American representatives of other ecumenical movements and to promote coöperation in planning the work in North America.

Representatives of the Episcopal Church to attend the World Conference on Faith and Order at Lausanne in 1937 are the Presiding Bishop, Bishop Manning of New York, Bishop Parsons of California, Bishop H. St. George Tucker of Virginia, the Rev. Frank Gavin, Th.D., the Rev. Charles Clingman, D.D., the Rev. Angus Dun, the Rev. Howard C. Robbins, D.D., Kenneth C. M. Sills, LL.D., and Clifford P. Morehouse.

Routes to Atlantic City for Convention Motorists

BY E. O. ROHNER
Keystone Automobile Club

The following are the principal automobile routes to Atlantic City.

From the Southwest the Broadway of America is joined and followed eastward. This highway passes through San Diego, Phoenix, Tucson, El Paso, Fort Worth, Arkadelphia, Memphis, Knoxville, Roanoke, New Market, Washington, D. C., and Baltimore. From this point, U. S. No. 1, at present detoured over Hartford Road, is followed to Concordville, Pa., bearing right on Route No. 61 directly to the Chester-Bridgeport Ferry. From this point the journey continues through Mullica Hill and Glassboro to Williamstown, joining Route No. 42, known as the Black Horse Pike, becoming U. S. No. 40, for the remainder of the way to Atlantic City.

From Florida the route leads northward through Savannah to Fayetteville, thence to Raleigh, joining U. S. No. 1, which can then be followed to Concordville, Pa., bearing right onto Route No. 61 directly to the Chester-Bridgeport Ferry. From this point the journey continues through Mullica Hill and Glassboro to Williamstown, joining Route No. 42, known as the

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From San Francisco, U. S. No. 40 is followed eastward to Salt Lake City. At this point U. S. No. 30 is met and followed for the remainder of the way east, continuing across the plains and the Allegheny Mountains to Downingtown, Pa., where a right turn is made (Continued on page 8)

National Council May Have Women Members

NEW YORK.—Addition of four women to the National Council membership is contemplated. A committee is to report on the matter to the October meeting of the National Council. Affirmative action would involve a change in the canon by General Convention.

Many Groups Planning Elaborate Displays in Convention Hall

In addition to the commercial exhibits in the Boardwalk National Arcade, there will be elaborate exhibits in Convention Hall by a number of organizations.

The exhibits include those of the American Bible Society, American Church Institute for Negroes, Anglican Society, Appalachian Mountain School, Penland, N. C., Archdeaconry of the Blue Ridge, Army and Navy Commission, Blue Ridge Industrial School, Bris, Va., Book Store of National Council, Brotherhood of St. Andrew, Charts of Church Statistics, Chinese Corner—Mission Industries in China, Christ School, Arden, N. C., Church Architecture and the Allied Arts, Church Army, Church Historical Society including Corporation for Relief of Widows and Children of Clergymen, Church Mission of Help, Church Mission Publishing Company, Church Periodical Club, Churchwomen's League for Patriotic Service, Inc., Daughters of the King, National Conference of Deaconesses, Department of Religious Education, Department of Social Service, Diocesan Altar Guilds, Domestic Missions, Foreign Missions, General Theological Seminary, Girls' Friendly Society, Hospitals, Indians of South Dakota, Jerusalem and the East Mission, Knights of Saints John, National Cathedral Association, New Jersey Social Welfare, Order of the Fleur de Lis, Inc., Order of Saint Anne, Publicity of the Church, Rural Field, Russian Orthodox Theological Academy in Paris, Seamen's Church Institute, Spirit of Missions, True Light Industrial School, Wuhu, China, Woman's Auxiliary, Young People's Fellowship.

United Thank Offering Shows Large Growth

The United Thank Offering, during the 15 years of its history, has grown from slightly more than \$2,000 to more than \$1,000,000. This offering will be presented by the women of the Church at 8 a.m., October 11th.

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Visitors Will Find Trip to New York Interesting

BY ELIZABETH McCracken

A great many people will come to General Convention by way of New York City. Even those who have often been in New York might well take this present occasion to see the places and things of ecclesiastical interest in the city. There are a large number of "sights," old and new.

Of the church buildings, St. Paul's Chapel is the oldest. It was erected in 1764-1766, and is of especial interest because George Washington regularly worshipped in it; his pew is marked by the shield of the United States. Persons who care for the drama will take note of the grave of George Frederick Cooke in the church yard. He was an actor from Drury Lane, London, the first English "star" ever to act in America.

Chapel of Trinity

St. Paul's is a chapel of Trinity parish, the largest parish in the country. The grant of land for Trinity was given in 1697, to which was added more land in 1705. The present beautiful building was erected in 1788-1790, the third structure since the foundation of the parish. Standing at the head of Wall street, Trinity is one of the famous places of the ecclesiastical world. The most interesting time for a visit is at noon, when the church and the streets around it are filled with the noon-day crowd from the financial district.

Another chapel of Trinity in an old building is St. Luke's Chapel on Hudson street, in Greenwich. Here, the first monk and the first nuns of the Church in America took their vows. Here also, Clement C. Moore was a vestryman.

The foremost of the beautiful new churches is, of course, the Cathedral of St. John the Divine. Its glories are known to all through the printed page, but no visitor should fail to see it.

St. Thomas' and St. Bartholomew's are other beautiful churches. There are still others, too numerous to name, which any New York Church member will point out.

Still other churches of great interest are neither very old nor very new. One of the most impressive of these is the Church of St. Mary the Virgin. Always beautiful, it has recently been embellished and its beauty has been enhanced.

General Seminary

There are other things to see after seeing the churches. The General Theological Seminary is one of these. Situated in Chelsea Square, on land given for the purpose by Clement C. Moore, author of "Twas the Night Before Christmas," the seminary is a quiet place in a tumultuous city. The close, with its trees and flowers, interests many. The library, however, is the point of special interest to most Church people. Here is a fine copy of the Gutenberg Bible, one item in one of the best collections of Bibles in the world. A portrait of Bishop Gore is another treasure.

All visitors who are interested in social betterment should make a pilgrimage to the City Mission. Here they will see the famous door with its grill, above it the light which never goes out. To this door, the homeless may come at any hour of the day or night and find shelter. Often a policeman will bring a homeless woman here, from the side-walk where he may have found her. The work of the Mission is manifold.

The Seamen's Church Institute, down on the south water-front, will interest many. It recently celebrated its 90th anniversary. Here the Conrad Library, the mural in the chapel and the sailors' recreation room are of special interest.

St. Luke's Hospital, near the Cathedral, may be visited after seeing the Cathedral. A special trip must be made to St. Mary's Hospital for Children, the only hospital entirely for children in the city. It is under the charge of the Sisters of St. Mary. Sister Hilary, who is at the head of it, will gladly receive callers.

Of course everyone should go to the Church Missions House. The library there is of interest. A tour of the building will begin with the library. At the top of the building is the Social Service Department. On the second floor is the interesting Emery Room.

There is so much to see. But no one should omit a visit to the Metropolitan Museum. The collection of vestments there is one of the best anywhere. There are priceless specimens of medieval stained glass and Church silver; and there is fine wood-carving.

The diocese of New York has many old parishes just outside New York City. One of these which will repay a visit is St. Andrew's, at New Dorp on Staten Island. Queen Anne established this parish in 1708, and presented it with a silver Communion service, which it still possesses and uses on festivals. In addition, the Queen gave 153 acres in what is now Stapleton, for the support of St. Andrew's. Staten Island is reached by a ferry from the Battery.

40,000 Expected at Convention

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nation or race, but the welfare of all humanity as it rests in the mission of the Christian Church—the duties and responsibilities and opportunities of this great unit of the Anglican communion—will form the background of this gathering at Atlantic City, composed as it will be of representatives gathered, actually or through sympathetic interest and co-operation, from every race and clime.

Momentous Problems

Since the Convention is in session, truth the supreme voice of the American Church, it would be presumptuous to attempt in any way to forecast the results of its deliberations, or even to outline any program of its probable activities. But momentous problems of universal import loom before it. What shall be the attitude of the Church upon the question of disarmament among the nations—on war and peace? What of the future of the missionary enterprise? What of problems of Christian unity in which there is rare opportunity to set an example for the masters of the thought of the nations? There is the readjustment of human relations to meet the needs of the new era which calls for statesmanlike consideration and the thousand and one perplexing questions which have arisen out of the economic debacle of 1929, included in which is the Church's own financial problem, with the serious side-issue of the weakening of religious ties which is one of the unhappy by-products of world chaos.

These and other highly important questions of purely Church concern are among the issues which will face the Convention that will assemble at noon in the great Atlantic City Auditorium on October 10th.

Historically Commemorative

Incidentally this Convention, one of the most vital in the history of the American Church, will be historically commemorative in a very special way since, as the Bishop of New Jersey, host of the Convention, has pointed out, as nearly as a triennial meeting can, it will mark the sesquicentennial of the organization of the General Convention itself. In which connection it is also to be mentioned that at some time during its deliberations the Convention will pause to celebrate the 150th anniversary of the consecration of the first American Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Samuel Seabury, of Connecticut.

Tentative plans provide for a continuance of the deliberations of the Convention during a period of two weeks. Preliminary to the opening

Fr. Bulgakoff to Visit at General Convention

Archpriest Sergius Bulgakoff, distinguished Russian Orthodox theologian, will be a visitor at General Convention this fall, and visitors and deputies will have an opportunity to meet him.

Fr. Bulgakoff is now dean of the faculty of the Russian Orthodox Theological Seminary in Paris. He will deliver the Hale Sermon at Seabury-Western Theological Seminary and also will lecture at General Theological Seminary and at Berkeley Divinity School. His program is being arranged by a committee working with the Rev. Dr. R. F. Lau, counselor of the Advisory Commission on Ecclesiastical Relations.

session there will be an important meeting of the National Council in Atlantic City, together with meetings of various incidental organizations in the Church. The Convention itself will be formally called to order in the Atlantic City Auditorium at 11 a.m., October 10th, by the Most Rev. James De Wolf Perry, D.D., Presiding Bishop, who will preach the Convention sermon, which is expected not only to strike the keynote for the Convention, but to take rank among the notable clerical utterances of the year.

Music for this special service will be provided by a massed choir of several hundred voices under the direction of A. E. Weeden, organist and choirmaster of the Church of the Ascension, Atlantic City. A Corporate Communion for the bishops and deputies will have previously been held at 7:30 o'clock in the morning in that place of worship.

First Meetings

That afternoon the first meetings of the House of Bishops, the House of Deputies and the Woman's Auxiliary will be held, the bishops convening in Haddon Hall, the deputies in the Auditorium and the Woman's Auxiliary, whose meeting this year will likewise be of unusual significance, in Westminster Hall, at the Chelsea Hotel.

Scheduled for the evening of the opening day is a general reception in the Assembly Room of the Convention building, at which the Presiding Bishop and other leaders of the Convention and of the Woman's Auxiliary will be in the receiving line.

Other notable events scheduled for these opening days of the Convention will be the Corporate Communion for the women of the Church at which the United Thank Offering for 1934 of the Woman's Auxiliary will be presented. Bishop Perry will be the celebrant at this service, assisted by the missionary bishops of the Church and the inter-racial clergy in attendance at the Convention. At this service 150 young women, members of the Girls' Friendly Society of the diocese of New Jersey, will take up the Offering. The interior of the Convention Hall will be transformed into a cathedral for this purpose. That same evening a great missionary mass meeting at which Bishop Perry will preside, will be held, and announcement will be made of the amount of the 1934 United Thank Offering. The missionary address on this occasion will be made by Bishop Creighton, Suffragan of Long Island, and Missionary Bishop of Mexico.

Joint Session October 12th

On Friday, October 12th, in the Convention Hall, there will be held the first joint session of the Bishops and Deputies, in which the delegates to the triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary will participate. At this joint session the entire state of the Church will be reviewed.

Thereafter, the necessary preliminaries having been disposed of, the Convention will plunge into the matter of business which lies before it. It is possible to forecast only in a general way the trend of the Convention's deliberations. There are a score

of joint commissions and committees from which reports will be received and upon which the Convention will have to act. These reports relate to such important problems as Christian unity, the attitude of the Church toward the relations between capital and labor, war and peace, relief of unemployed clergy, clergy placement, the retirement of bishops, the status of the office of Presiding Bishop, the eligibility of bishops for election to other jurisdictions, the work of deaconesses, the status of the missionary enterprise, and of course the solution of the Church's financial problem, which involves a deficit of approximately \$1,000,000. In this connection, a report will be received from the Every Man's Offering, which, launched in the diocese of Southern Ohio and sweeping throughout the Church, is seeking to avert disaster to the missionary work of the Church, with hopeful prospects of success.

Incidental to the meeting of the Convention, there will be, of course, the triennial meetings of Church organizations, reunions and other activities of a social character. There will also be large numbers of Church workers in attendance at the Convention who will not wish to overlook a training institute of the National Council, and elaborate conferences for the youth of the Church and for college workers. There will be numerous celebrations of historic interest,

and pilgrimages to historic spots within the diocese of New Jersey.

Church Army Engagements

Church Army engagements for General Convention in Atlantic City include daily outdoor witness services on the Plaza (opposite Convention Hall); breakfast meeting, October 10th, with Daughters of the King; Church Army dinner, October 17th, and Corporate Communion at 7:30 a.m. in St. James' Church on St. Luke's Day, with Bishop Darst of East Carolina as celebrant.

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FOR YOUNG PEOPLE**

**Department of Religious Education
Makes Extensive Plans Under
Leadership of Miss Fischer**

Extensive plans for the young people attending General Convention have been made by the Department of Religious Education, National Council.

The week-end of October 12th to 14th will be young people's week-end at the Convention. For this purpose, a series of events has been organized under the direction of Miss Dorothy May Fischer, secretary for Young People's Work. These include special services, conferences, discussions, and a banquet.

For those "young people" over 25 and adults interested in young people's work, there will be a discussion group for leaders and advisers held at the same time as the discussion groups for young people. The services, banquet, and other parts of the program are open to everyone.

In planning the program in co-operation with leaders of various groups, a distinct effort was made to steer clear of organizational lines and to make it of such a general nature as to be of interest to Christian young people, irrespective of organizational affiliation.

**Daughters of King
Convention Meets
October 5th-9th**

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Lewis, rector of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Philadelphia. It will be followed by a fellowship tea at 4:15 p.m. The opening service will be at 8 p.m., with the Rev. Dr. Warren W. Way, rector of St. James' Church, officiating. Bishop Matthews of New Jersey will welcome the delegates. Mrs. George H. Ames, national president, will respond.

The opening session will be at 9:30 a.m. October 6th, with Mrs. Ames presiding. The junior session will be at 2:15 p.m., with Miss Martha P. Kimball, chairman of the Juniors, presiding.

Group conferences will be conducted by Miss Emma J. Hall, Mrs. Leon C. Palmer, Mrs. C. Herbert Gale, Mrs. T. G. Shannon, Mrs. W. W. Pedder, and Mrs. G. E. Hutchinson.

Meditations will be conducted by Bishop Stewart of Chicago and the Rev. Dr. Karl M. Block, rector of St. Michael and St. George's Church, St. Louis.

Others on the program include Bishop Penick of North Carolina, Bishop Darst of East Carolina, and Bishop Rogers of Ohio. Bishop Rogers will officiate at the closing service at 4:30 p.m. October 9th.

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**Marriage and Divorce Most
Difficult Question Today**

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Of course one would not marry divorced persons simply because they had been unbaptized, but when pagans ask to be admitted to the membership in the Church one cannot rightly refuse them because of heathen habits and a large portion of the American public is practically pagan.

The difficulty comes up in the case of persons, having received formal baptism, in infancy, but lapsed so far

as any church teaching is concerned and living pagan lives in spite of their having been baptized.

Here is a case in which strict orthodoxy would compel us to refuse Holy Matrimony to divorced persons, except in the rare cases where adultery has been put down in the decree.

But what of those cases where the former partner has remarried and thus created the very situation required by the canon?

If the innocent party has been divorced and the partner remarried, on what ground can we state that the exception has not been fulfilled?

Certainly, if cohabitation dissolves the relationship, it is to be found here just as truly as if it appeared in the court decree.

Then there is the question of affecting children who will suffer from the failure to establish a Christian home. How far in these cases should mercy replace law?

The Bishop's Duty as Judge

I agree that the Church must keep up its standards. We cannot alter the commandment, "Thou shalt not steal," any more than we can alter the one which forbids adultery. But in the enforcement of the law there ought to be some discretion. It is the Bishop's duty to act as judge in these cases.

The judge does not violate the law when he pardons the criminal because of extenuating circumstances. The law remains even though the sentence is not carried out. It seems to me, therefore, that the law should remain as it is but greater discretion should

be looked for in the enforcement of the law in the individual case.

Easy to Sit Back

It is very easy to sit back and close the question by saying, "No!" but when our Lord gave power to His Apostles to bind and loose, it would seem as though He had passed on the mercy that He so frequently exercised, to those to whom He entrusted the execution of the law. There are two objections that I can see to granting greater discretion to the individual bishops:

1. There is the ethical difficulty that to live together without a valid marriage is to live in continual sin. But is this true if the Church validates the marriage? The Eastern Church does this for a number of reasons. The American Church already permits one exception. If for the hardness of men's hearts and their ignorance Moses could permit remarriage after divorce, would it not seem that Christ in His mercy would not impute sin unto them?

2. The charge of consistency. The statement is frequently made that the Church does not live up to its laws. That is always embarrassing, but on the other hand I would rather be criticized for showing mercy than for legal rigidity.

The conclusion that I would draw is that the Church sets up Christ's standard as its standard then in the case of those who have not contracted a sacramental marriage bishops be granted a discretion in permitting the remarriage of those who acted through ignorance and unbelief, providing they are for the first time seeking admission to the Catholic Church.

No Sacramental Union

In short, marriages by justices of the peace and marrying parsons should not be construed as creating a sacra-

mental union in the Christian sense of the term.

Of course, where people have previously been married by the Church, except in the case of adultery, the ceremony cannot be repeated.

Until people actually become members of the Church, how far can they be made responsible for having obeyed the law of the Church?

The law as interpreted by Christ must be the Church's statement, but when one applies the law to specific cases, there should be a recognition that persons cannot be judged by ecclesiastical rigidity. That seems to be foreign to the spirit of Christ.

**More Young People
Expected This Year**

Young people are expected to attend the General Convention this year in far greater numbers than ever before.

Signs of a youth movement in America, and particularly in the United States, of unprecedented proportions are not lacking, according to Miss Dorothy May Fischer, head of the young people's work, Department of Religious Education, National Council.

Young people today are interested in religion, Miss Fischer believes. Moreover, she said her investigations lead her to the conclusion that it is not dancing and social functions which youth wants from the Church, but a workable religion for daily life.

**Exhibitors Plan
Excellent Displays**

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Clergymen and Laymen Appointed Diocesan Chairman by Bishop Matthews; Numerous Special Committees

The 1934 General Convention committees are composed of members appointed by the Most Rev. James DeWolf Perry, Presiding Bishop, and diocesan committees named by Bishop Matthews of New Jersey. Appointees of Bishop Perry include:

The Bishop of New Jersey; Bishop Urban, Suffragan of New Jersey; Edward L. Katzenbach, of Trenton, chancellor of the diocese and former Attorney General of New Jersey, who is the diocesan general chairman; Mrs. Franklin S. Chambers, of New Lisbon, president of the Woman's Auxiliary of New Jersey; Charles Albert Johnson, of Denver, Colo., who was general chairman for the General Convention three years ago in Denver.

Members appointed by Bishop Matthews are: Bishop Knight, Coadjutor of New Jersey; the Rev. E. Vicars Stevenson, of Plainfield; the Rev. Lyttleton E. Hubbard, of Elizabeth; C. McK. Whittemore, of Elizabeth; George DeB. Keim, of Edgewater Park; William F. Stroud, of Trenton; Rear Admiral Reginald R. Belknap, of New York City; the Rev. William Reid Cross, of Elizabeth, and Clarence Blair Mitchell, of Bernardsville, diocesan treasurer.

Clergymen and laymen appointed diocesan chairmen by Bishop Matthews include:

Bishop Urban, extra diocesan participation; the Rev. Robert G. Williams, Woodbury, parochial cooperation; the Ven. R. Bowden Shepherd, Trenton, pulpit assignments; the Rev. Walter H. Stowe, New Brunswick, commemoration of the Corporation for Relief of Widows and Children of the Clergy; Frank L. Olmsted, Lakewood, historical commemoration; the Rev. J. H. Schwacke, Freehold, historical pilgrimages; Mrs. Paul B. Matthews, diocesan entertainment; the Rev. J. Mervin Pettit, New Brunswick, Young People's Fellowship; the Rev. John T. Ward, Burlington, art and decoration; the Rev. Thomas A. Conover, Bernardsville, exhibits; Samuel Mountford, Trenton, ecclesiastical equipment; Rear Admiral Belknap, publicity and printing; Mrs. Arthur S. Phelps, Plainfield, diocesan hospitality.

In addition Bishop Matthews has named special Atlantic City committees whose chairmen are:

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The Presiding Bishop will be the celebrant at Holy Communion October 21st in the Church of the Ascension, Atlantic City. Bishop Deane will participate in this service, which will be attended by members of the House of Bishops and the House of Deputies.

Charles F. Osman, transportation and baggage; Miss Mary M. Gummey, registration and information; Clifford B. Deacon, hotel and housing accommodations; Mrs. Walter L. Molineux, local hospitality; Mrs. E. L. Glasgow, tea; Mrs. Malcolm H. Shermer, information; Mrs. William G. Bearman, badges.

Representing the Woman's Auxiliary are Mrs. Franklin S. Chambers, executive committee; Miss Mary L. Whitall, Woodbury, United Thank Offering; Mrs. George Symonds, Atlantic City, rest rooms and nurses.

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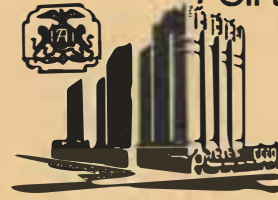
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