Look up! The star of Jacob
Thy constant Guide shall be,
Twill surely go before thee,
Till one day thou shalt see,
In His eternal glory,
Where perfect pleasures are,
That He Himself was always
Thy Bright and Morning Star!
Eternal Father, in Whose holy sight,
A thousand years are as the fleeting space
From dusk to dark, Thy Daughters ask the light
Of Thy close Presence, come before Thy face
To give Thee thanks for three score years and ten
Of service in Thy Church. So few brief years,
Bright substance of our short earthbound lives — then
Joy comes with the dawn, and there yet appears
To eager eyes, the glory of Thy Everlasting Son.
Teach us to pray in deep humility,
For all that spreads Thy Kingdom in this world:
For faith, for love, for man's fraternity,
For peace, that crimson flags of war be furled.
Then we would ask, for His dear sake, Thy strength
To hold and keep us, grace to bless us all,
That in the press of time, throughout our length
Of days, we shall not falter, in great task or small
To honor only Thee, until our life's work is done.

Dorothy Luke
For the last time, it is my duty, privilege, and pleasure to address the Triennial Convention of The Daughters of the King as your President. There is good reason why I present to you this report with a feeling of pride, satisfaction, and deep gratitude. For the steady gain in the number of chapters—64 senior and 39 junior; the splendid growth in membership which rolled up the impressive score of 1,766 senior Daughters and 753 junior Daughters—a larger gain than in any other preceding triennium; the excellent quality of the service rendered in parishes and dioceses; the generous and increased support of the Order’s funds which has enabled us to enlarge the work for which these funds are designated; the substantial progress made in creating better chapter programs; and the growing interest in placing more emphasis on devotional activities which deepen the spiritual life of the individual, are tangible and reassuring evidence of the health and growing vitality of the Order. This noteworthy record is indicative of the genuine enthusiasm and earnest efforts of the Daughters throughout the Church to have the Order fulfill its mission. It makes us realize anew that when we use in God’s service, to the best of our ability, the gifts, talents, and opportunities with which we are blessed, God blesses and prospers our efforts. The accomplishments of the past triennium are an incentive for facing with confidence the future. However, if we are to retain our present strength and move forward we must not let ourselves be satisfied with present attainment that we no longer strive for anything better. There are fields filled with untouched opportunities. I am thinking particularly of dioceses and parishes without chapters, of the many opportunities in parishes for volunteer workers. Rectors are becoming increasingly aware that a chapter of the Daughters of the King can supply these workers to ease the burden of the work in the life of a parish. I am thinking of the need to think more deeply of our responsibility to God for the Christian training of our Youth. The Daughters’ program trains young girls for true Christian living and loyalty to the Church.

The success of the next triennium will depend on the wholehearted cooperation of every Daughter. It will require a constant awareness of the necessity for positive and continuous effort in our fields of action, “Worship-Study-Personal Service.” Our individual part may seem small and unimportant. If so, then let us remember that as a chain is only as strong as its weakest link, so each task is tremendously vital to the strength of the whole Order.

Here I would pay tribute to the members of your National Council, who have served so faithfully and effectively during the past triennium. Their conscientious attendance at the meetings, their vital interest and loyal cooperation in furthering the Order’s program has been outstanding; to the Editor of The Royal Cross who has made every effort to publish on time an attractive, helpful magazine; and to our faithful national office secretary. Due to her commendable willingness to comply with requests, the work of the office has moved promptly and without confusion.

To work with noble women for the cause of Christ, is from my point of view, one of the best gifts that life can bring. Therefore I wish to conclude my report with a sincere expression of gratitude to all Daughters for their loyal support, cooperation and fellowship. Your steadfast confidence in my leadership, and your appreciation of the same has been inexpressibly dear to me. I shall always look back on the six years that I have been your leader as years full of the joy of service. I shall remember with much pride and gratitude the great privilege that has been mine. My interest in the future of our Order, and its future seems bright with promise, will continue unabated.

“May God who loves you more than I can do, Outpour His blessing and His love on you; And may He grant that through the coming years Whatever may befall He may be near, Uplifting when the spirit is downcast, Filling with joy all memories of the past, Drawing you close, until His secret bliss Is whispered to your soul in happiness, And you are wrapped in peace and joy and light, One with the Christ, Whose love is infinite.”

Lillian Janet Soper
Retiring National President
Miss Soper's Address at the 70th Anniversary Convention Dinner

This Triennial gathering of the Daughters of the King will make another red letter page in the history of our Order. For the added privilege and pleasure of celebrating together the Order's 70th anniversary makes it a double occasion. As I glance back over our seventy years of history and appraise our programs and accomplishments it is with genuine appreciation of the fact that so many women have given of their best to attain the ideals and purpose of the Order. Since the founding of the Order, on April 4, 1885, the conception of its function has never changed. During these seventy years, the Daughters have shown a continuity of purpose, a stability and determination of spirit to attain the objectives of the Order. Its ideals and purpose could never be considered an antiquated or outmoded point of view; they hold true whether it be in the first or the twentieth century because they emphasize the noblest and highest in the Christian religion. It is fitting that while Daughters are here from all parts of our country, we celebrate in a spirit of joy and thanksgiving so notable an event as the Order's 70th birthday. As an act of thanksgiving, I present a poem written especially for this occasion by Dorothy Luke, a Daughter of the Diocese of California.

Lillian Janet Soper
National President

P.S.: See inside of cover.

Welcome New Chapters

Greetings and a warm welcome to our seven newly admitted chapters. Seniors— 3rd Province, Diocese Maryland, Holy Nativity, Baltimore, Md.; 7th Province, Diocese Dallas, All Saints', Fort Worth, Texas; Diocese Kansas, St. Peter's, Petersburg, Kans. Juniors—3rd Province, Diocese Washington, Ascension, Silver Springs, Md.; 4th Province, Diocese Alabama, St. Paul's, Selma, Ala.; 5th Province, Diocese Michigan, St. Columbia, Detroit, Mich.; Diocese Ohio, St. Anne's-in-the-Fields, Perry, Ohio. To these chapters and to all our chapters best wishes for a successful year in His service.

Lillian Janet Soper
Retiring President

In Memoriam

On August 7, 1955, Martha P. Kimball departed from physical life, but her kindly spirit lives on. She was a member of the National Council of the Order of the Daughters of the King for twelve years, nine of which she served as National Directress of the Junior Daughters Division and the last three as National President. Miss Kimball was a member of the Diocese of Ohio, and until physical suffering prevented she was one of the most faithful, active workers for the Daughters of the King. She served as president of her Chapter, Diocese and Province, giving her all to every project she undertook. And though an invalid for the last twelve years of her life she never lost her keen interest in all the Order was doing.

"You are not dead—life has but set you free
And we about you whom you moved among
Would feel that grief for you were surely wrong
You have but passed beyond where we can see."

Lillian Janet Soper
From The Editor's Note Book

To those of us who were unable to attend the Convention it will be most helpful to carefully study the reports, and use all available information during the winter.

Conventions require months of preparation and we are deeply grateful to all who made the Cleveland Convention such a success.

The 70th Anniversary of the Order added a special note of Thanksgiving. Seventy years of ceaseless service hallowed by prayer has been a joy to the members of the Order.

An added note of pleasure at the Convention was the gift of a huge cake from the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, which was greatly appreciated and enjoyed—A delightful gesture of thoughtfulness.

Now we start on our next 70 years, having the inspiration of a work well done by hundreds of members whom we have "loved and lost for a while."

It has been my privilege to see, and know of the sacrificial lives of many members in chapters scattered throughout the country.

The rector of St. John's Church, New Haven, Connecticut, recorded the passing of one of our devoted members, who had been an outstanding officer in Connecticut for many years. Of Minnie Korn Crittenden he said, "She had the vision of the Church as a whole, and for its advancement she worked, prayed and gave—never failing to reveal her keen sense of duty to give good courage to all with whom she worked."

It is lives like this that give strength to the Order, and are great examples to all of us.

We are grateful to our retiring officers for work well done, and our prayers will be with the incoming officers for the days ahead.

The blessed season of Christmas is with us again.

May Thy Holy Infant bless you
His Peace possess you
His Power protect you
His presence sustain you.

Women Give $3,149,197 In Thank Offering

The high point of the Triennial meeting of the Women of the Church was the presentation of a United Thank Offering of $3,149,197, toward which the women of the Diocese of Chicago contributed $65,000.

The first United Thank Offering of $2,000, taken in 1889, was used to build a church in Anvik, Alaska, and to support a woman missionary in Japan. In 1949 the two million dollar mark was reached for the first time.

The offering is used to provide salaries for women workers, scholarships for their training, equipment for their work, to provide building and building repairs in missionary districts and for pension and medical funds.

The offering has helped support Christian colleges in India, work with overseas Chinese students, the American Leprosy missions and migrant work in the United States.

Important Notice

A notice was received in September, 1955, that the cost to the Order for manufacturing our crosses would in the future be increased to approximately double the former cost. Owing to this very large increase your National Council has found it necessary to increase the registration fee and the sale price for replacement crosses for both Senior and Junior Daughters. As of October 1, 1955, Senior Daughters Registration Fee, $1.25, sale price of senior crosses 75¢ each. Junior Daughters Registration Fee, 75¢, sale price junior crosses 50¢ each.

God bless Thy year—Thy coming on, Thy going out, Thy rest, Thy travelling about:
The rough, the smooth, the bright the drear—
God bless Thy year!
Report of the Order of the Daughters of the King,
1952 to 1955

At the end of another Triennium it is my pleasure to report on the fine progress of the Order, and the devotion and service extended by members all over the nation. Many excellent reports have been received, and show that the greater part of the membership is aware of the splendid opportunities for Prayer, service and study.

Nearly all chapters observe the Corporate Communion of the Order on the third Sunday of each month and take part in the annual "All Saints Day of Prayer," World Day of Prayer, Prayer Groups, especially groups on spiritual healing, sponsor the Altar of Repose on Maunday Thursday, have parish and diocesan Quiet Days, meditations and intercessory prayer. Devotional programs, and opening and closing prayers at meetings are a regular procedure for most chapters. Many members are devotional chairmen of the Woman’s Auxiliary.

The study of good books and pamphlets, Bible classes, Lenten discussion groups and illustrated lectures on Altar Work, etc. are participated in by nearly all chapters, proving a source of inspiration and strength to the Daughters of the King.

The service of approximately ninety per cent of the chapters is outstanding. First of all, the rectors are aided in many ways, including clerical work, calling on the sick and prospective members, the aged and ill, welcoming strangers and sending many cards. Members accompany their rectors on sick communion calls, work with the youth in the parishes, sponsor cradle rolls, bring many to baptism and confirmation and take charge of church libraries, tract pamphlets and the mailing of same to many institutions, deaconesses and shut-ins. Their work on the Altar Guilds or as Altar Guilds, is self sacrificing. The making and donating of altar linens, distribution of flowers, the making of paschal and Altar candles, are just a few of the many fine works accomplished. Layettes are made, baskets are sent at Christmas and Thanksgiving, churches are cleaned and breakfasts are served to church groups, meals are prepared for families in bereavement, and some learn Braille so as to make Prayer books and other books in Braille for the blind. Some groups repair church hymnals and prayer books, present gifts to church homes, stuff toys for children’s hospitals, make Palm crosses, and place stated amounts as memorial gifts for departed members, for the Book of Remembrance. Plaques of Apostles are painted and religious pictures are sent to our missionary in Hawaii. Kneelers are provided for church schools, transportation furnished to and from hospitals, doctors offices and church vacation schools. Through dues and voluntary gifts of members, one large group, from 1910 through 1941, records show approximately $10,000 spent for remodeling the Altar, purchasing hangings, pulpits, markers, linens, vestments and other altar expenses, church flag was purchased, and paid paving taxes. They helped maintain the salary of a police matron, serviced a veterans hospital ward, supplied furniture for a day room at a camp during World War II. Most chapters support all of D. of K. funds. Some have sent vestments and altar hangings to St. Timothy in Hawaii, and also a missal. Stamp collecting has been encouraged, and one group instructs polio patients. Knitting badges for lepers, and Gray lady work. One group secured furniture, clothing and equipment for St. Mary’s school for Indian girls at Springfield, S. D. and arranged for its transportation. Ten dozen shirts for boys were sent to Elda Smith in Honolulu, and canned fruit was put up for a church agency. I could go on and on. An interesting report came in from Maud Ellen Zimmerman when she was in Yokohama, Japan. She is now in Germany on duty for our government. One newly formed chapter has organized committees on every phase of the work of the parish.

Jessie Tomenendal, Secretary

If you will let Christ walk with you in your street, and sit with you in your offices, and be with you in your homes, and teach you in your churches and abide with you as the living presence in your hearts, you, too, shall know what freedom is, and while you do your duties, be above your duties; and while you own yourselves, the sons of men, know you are the sons of God.

—Phillip Brooks
Triennial Urges More Study Groups, Fewer Bazaars

"There are still parishes where too much emphasis is placed on peripheral interests, where bazaars attract more workers than study groups, where horizons are limited and objectives are confused," the 511 representatives of 102 dioceses of the Church were told at the Triennial Meeting of the Women of the Church last month in Honolulu.

"We cannot rejoice in the mighty Church universal if our local parishes exhibit the triviality and secularism which has so often marked them," said Mrs. Theodore Wedel, presiding officer of the Triennial in her concluding address.

Suggesting that the development of a "truly redemptive fellowship," which reaches out to all the women of the parish and community, may call for "serious re-thinking of the purpose and program of the Woman's Auxiliary in our parishes and dioceses," Mrs. Wedel asked:

"Does a woman who comes into your auxiliary for the first time feel at once the quality of deep Christian love which enfolds her? Are all the women in your parish so deeply aware of the love of God that they are constantly seeking channels through which they may witness to this love? Are we really aware of the fact that everything we do in the local parish—our acceptance of the unlovable woman in our own group, our work for better housing or race relations, our giving to the work of the Church around the world, is all a part of the same thing?"

The theme of the Triennial, "His Witnessing Community," said Mrs. Wedel, is "no easy, pleasant title which we may adopt for our traditional Woman's Auxiliary pattern of life and work."

"To be His Witnessing Community is utterly simple. We need only surrender ourselves to Him, and follow where He leads. . . . If we put Him first everything else will fall into its proper place.

"It is utterly simple and yet the most difficult task we may ever be called upon to perform. For it means that we must be willing, if He demands it, to give up our cherished schemes and plans and traditions, to venture forth on uncharted seas, perhaps to undertake unpopular or even dangerous tasks, to admit that we have no wisdom or ability in ourselves, but only as He lives and works in us. For proud human nature, this is the hardest calling of all."

HOW 100 PEOPLE FEEL ABOUT HYMN-SINGING

Just what do Episcopalians think about hymn-singing?

This interesting question was the subject of a survey conducted among 100 members of St. John's church, Los Angeles, recently.

Nearly everyone has his own favorite hymn, the questionnaire revealed. In the 100 answers to the query, "What Are Your Two Favorite Hymns?", 79 different hymns were named. "Rock of Ages" took number one place, with "Onward Christian Soldiers" and "The Church's One Foundation" tied for second place.

Tied for fourth place were "O Sacred Head Now Wounded" and "Abide With Me", and "Holy, Holy, Holy" was the sixth most loved hymn.

The questionnaire showed that almost everyone tries to sing all the hymns and the few who don't say they open the hymnals and follow the words. Almost everyone who responded felt that church men should continue to broaden their knowledge of hymns and learn more of the 600 hymns in the hymnal, but they agreed that familiar hymns were most appreciated. Only two people said they think Episcopalians sing too many hymns.

Of ten hymns listed on the questionnaire to be checked for "like" or "don't like," the three most liked were "Faith of Our Fathers," "Holy, Holy, Holy" and "The Church's One Foundation." The two listed hymns most disliked were two not included in the Hymnal, "Shall We Gather at the River" and "The Old Rugged Cross."

All but one of the 100 persons queried said that hymns are vital to worship, should be sung by all and are thrilling when everyone participates.

THINGS YOU WON'T REGRET

Doing a kind act.

Keeping your temper under insult.

Telling the truth when a lie would have helped.

Refusing to listen to malicious gossip.

Not mailing that cutting, unkind letter.

Getting up every time you fall.

Trying always to better your best.

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

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

—Anonymous
Trinity Cathedral, majestic and awe-inspiring, was the setting for the 26th national convention of the Order of the Daughters of the King, held in Cleveland, Ohio from September 27 to October 1. Registration of delegates, alternates and visitors started early the first day in the Trinity Cathedral parish house, and a Fellowship Tea was held that afternoon in the beautiful parish house of Emmanuel Church in Cleveland. In the evening, in the Cathedral parish hall, the Rev. Laurence H. Hall of St. Paul’s Church, E. Cleveland, proved himself a very clever magician, as well as a jovial leader of songs and hymns. His slides of baby faces, with varied expressions, shown with fascinating comments from the Rev. Mr. Hall, left the assembly chuckling.

Holy Communion was conducted in the Cathedral each morning at 8 A.M. The meditations given each morning at 10 A.M. by the Rev. Andrew S. Gill, Rector Emeritus of Emmanuel Church, were relative to the theme “Ye Shall Be Witnesses Unto Me.” The Service of Preparation for Corporate Communion, conducted on Friday evening by the Very Rev. Chester B. Emerson, Dean Emeritus, Trinity Cathedral, was indeed inspiring.

Wednesday afternoon, an address, “The Power of Prayer,” was given by the Very Rev. Percy F. Rex, dean of Trinity Cathedral. Four groups then met for discussions, two on “The Power of Personal Prayer,” under the leadership of Dean Rex and The Rev. Frank W. Hutchings, Epiphany Church, Euclid, Ohio, and two on “The Power of Corporate Prayer,” led by the Rev. Ira M. Crowther, chaplain of the Ohio Diocese and the Rev. John B. Wright, St. James Church, Painesville, Ohio. At the convention service that evening in the Cathedral, the sermon was given by the Rev. W. Chave McCracken, Christ Church, Oberlin, Ohio.

Thursday afternoon, the session began with an address by the Rev. Louis M. Brereton, St. Peter’s Church, Lakewood, Ohio, entitled “Witnessing Through Service.” Again four groups met to discuss the application of this service, two groups being led by the Rev. J. Keith M. Lee of St. John’s Church, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, and the Rev. William D. Shriverly, Diocese of Ohio, on “Witnessing Through Personal Service.”

Two groups under the leadership of the Rev. Howard Graham, Church of the Incarnation, Cleveland and the Rev. Lawrence H. Blackburn, Emmanuel Church, on “Witnessing Through Corporate Service.” A real highlight of the convention was the dinner celebrating the Order’s 70th anniversary, and the talks given by the Rt. Rev. Nelson M. Burroughs, Bishop of Ohio, and the Rev. Raymond Riebs from Brazil.

The convention was called to order by the president, Miss Lillian Janet Soper, on Wednesday morning, September 27 at the Cathedral. The assembly was welcomed by Bishop Burroughs, and greetings were extended by Mrs. Andrew Broscoe, president of the Ohio Diocese. Greetings from Miss Soper were as follows: “It is a very real pleasure to express on behalf of the members of the Order and on my own behalf, warmest gratitude to Bishop Burroughs and to the Daughters of the King of the Diocese of Ohio for their friendly and hearty words of welcome. I am sure there is deep appreciation in the heart of every Daughter of the King for the gracious hospitality extended to us by Bishop Burroughs and to the Daughters of the King of the Diocese of Ohio for their original plans for convention. And to the Ohio Daughters, for their generous and splendid helpfulness in accepting the strenuous task of arranging for the convention in so short a period of time. I know full well and appreciate deeply the tireless energy and effort you have given to the preparation of this convention. You have given long and arduous hours without stint of service or time in making adequate arrangements for a double occasion, the 26th national convention of the Order and an outstanding historical event in the history of the Order, its 70th anniversary. It would appear that nothing is lacking in the spirit or detail of your hospitality to make for a thoroughly successful and inspiring convention. We are gathered here from all four corners of our great country to consider some of the important phases of our discipleship, fellowship and stewardship as His Daughters. It is a cause for gratification to hold our Triennial meeting in an atmosphere of such warm hospitality as we find here on every hand. We are happy for the privilege of being here and for this opportunity of saying, a heartfelt “Thank You.”
Miss Soper asked for motion dispensing with the reading of the minutes of the 1952 convention in Hartford, as they have been duly published. The final report of Mrs. Arthur Bolles, chairman of Registration and Credential committee, was 65 delegates, 11 council members, and 83 visitors, totaling 159. Communications were read by the secretary from Bishop Henry Knox Sherrill and from Elda Smith, the Order’s missionary, each sending greetings. Announcements were made as to the meeting places of the Prayer Group and the Provincial meetings. Triennial reports of national officers, chairman of national standing committees, Editor of the Royal Cross and the Editor of the Junior Messenger were presented and accepted, and reports are hereby given in brief: president, Miss Soper; (Her report is elsewhere in the Royal Cross)

Secretary, Mrs. E. J. Tomenendal; “The years I have worked on the board as secretary with Miss Soper and the Council members will be one experience I will long remember with pleasure, and the friendships acquired will never be forgotten. I have performed all duties pertaining to the office and as requested by the president. Copies of the 25th national convention minutes and copies of the newly elected council meetings, held in Hartford, Conn. in 1952, and copies of the minutes of the Council meetings in Seabury House, Greenwich, Conn. in 1953 and 1954, were typed and sent to each council member and provincial representative, and two copies of each were sent to the national office. The minutes of 1954 were taken from those compiled by May Dayton, who so kindly acted as secretary pro-tem in my absence from the council meeting. Copies of each were placed on file as were copies of duties of committees, treasurer’s reports, chapter and diocesan reports, record of bonds, Royal Cross contracts and all other important papers. Each national council member and provincial representative was notified well in advance of each council meeting and convention, and a copy of the agenda sent to each. Reports were requested and placed on file upon receipt. Minutes of all sessions were forwarded to the Royal Cross of the work of chapters throughout the nation. Miss Soper kindly forwarded the 1954 minutes of Seabury House council meeting to the Royal Cross. All chapter and diocesan reports received were acknowledged and placed on file. All letters and requests received have been answered and placed on file. This year I wrote to and secured the speakers for this convention, in the capacity of convention chairman.”

Treasurer, Mrs. Arthur T. Loving; This report is appended.

Representative on the National Board of Woman’s Auxiliary, Mrs. Marion Wilson; “It has been a great privilege and pleasure to represent the Order of the Daughters of the King on the national executive board of the Woman’s Auxiliary for the past three years, and I thank you for this honor. I have attended every board meeting and read a written report at each meeting compiled from information sent to me by Miss Soper and Miss Alice Rennie. A copy of these reports was given to each board member and staff member of officers. Also each member received the Royal Cross. There are three members of the Order on the board, Mrs. William Hannah of New York and Mrs. Sumner Walters of San Joachim, and myself. It has been my privilege to lead the service of Holy Communion and Morning Prayer at two of the board meetings in the chapel. I am now chairman of the “Grace Before Meals.” As a member of the United Thank Offering committee, it was my privilege to sit in on the discussions of that great Service and to assist in the planning of the service. It has been instructive to sit in on the discussion of the request for grants, and to know how the money is spent. I have served on the personnel committee. Other cooperating agencies on the board are The Girls’ Friendly Society, the Church of Periodical club and the Episcopal Service for Youth.”

Editor of the Royal Cross, Mrs. Thomas J. Shannon; “Again it is a pleasure to report as Editor of the Royal Cross. During the last three years the work and correspondence has increased considerably, but I feel that our scope has become much wider and our prestige greater. We have been fortunate in receiving interesting articles and material for our issues and we are enjoying the interchange of magazines with many church papers and releases from other well known periodicals. The contributions from our members have given us all a great deal of inspiration and pleasure.”
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Fortunately, we have been able to have more cuts, some purchased and some borrowed, which helps to make our magazine more attractive. The Royal Cross is a medium for tying the Order together across the country and I feel that it has been responsible for some of the renewed enthusiasm and interest in the various chapters during the last few years. This is the sixty-fourth year of the continued printing of the Royal Cross. I would like to express my appreciation to Mr. Seale Johnson of the McCowat-Mercer Press and to his able assistant, Mrs. Delano."

Bishop's and Diocesan Chapters, Mrs. O. U. Wymer; "The past three years I have thoroughly enjoyed the chairmanship of the Bishop's and Diocesan chapters. From annual reports to the national council it is evident that the membership has grown. Reports have come in better each year, and many have shown marked improvement in activities of their members. Mrs. Beggs, Mrs. Knapp and I have sent Christmas cards each year. They have sent Easter cards, and I have written personal letters with each of the report blanks sent to the presidents. These usually come at Easter or before. As a result, we have all become closer and many wonderful letters and cards have been received. Last year I had several hundred folders mimeographed. We deleted outdated material, and added words to clarify meanings in the old folder. I wish to thank my committee, and all those who cooperated so well these past three years, and say again it has been a real privilege to serve as your chairman."

Custodian, Book of Remembrance, Miss Soper; "You have heard the report of the chairman of the Endowment Fund and have learned of the growing interest of the Daughters throughout the Order in giving Memorial gifts as a loving tribute to departed Daughters and to their friends. In June of each year, the stated time when the chairman is required to send the Custodian the names of all those for whom a Memorial gift has been given, it is gratifying to find more names are being received each consecutive year. Guardianship of the Book of Remembrance is a sacred trust. Each name represents a lasting memorial to those, 'we have loved long since and lost awhile;' each therefore is inscribed with great care.

In our effort to have the correct inscription and proper regard for the appearance of the book, we ask the cooperation of all donors. Whereas many are very careful and painstaking in sending in the required information there has been a number of instances where it has required much writing back and forth in order to get the baptismal name of the Daughter, the name of her chapter, parish, diocese and city. This is the method used in listing the names of all Daughters. For a Bishop, his full name and Diocese, for a priest, his full name and recent parish, and for other friends, their name only. As has always been the custom, the Book will be placed on the Altar at the time of the Memorial Gift Service held at the close of the Triennial Convention in loving remembrance of those who live with us in the 'Communion of Saints.'"

Endowment Fund, Mrs. H. H. Nygren; "The interest shown in the Endowment Fund has been very gratifying. One hundred and eighty-four names have been inscribed in the Book of Remembrance during the period. A resume of the working of the fund was printed in the Royal Cross in September, 1954. Thanks is given to Miss Rennie for all her help."

Devotions and Study, Miss Hattie K. Bunting; "It has been a great privilege to me to have been chairman of Devotions and Study for the past three years. In fulfilling my duties, I have attended two council meetings, in May 1953 and 1954 at Seabury House. Before each meeting, members of Council were contacted to ask them to take the table grace, opening and closing prayers of the meetings. Every member contacted responded favorably. I was asked to write an article for the Junior Messenger in the summer issue of the Royal Cross, 1954. I took as a theme, 'We Should Worship Him Wherever We Are.' A reminder to the Juniors to go to church and fulfill their vows of Prayer and Service wherever they vacation. Articles were written for All Saints, 1954 and 1955. The theme for 1954 Autumn issue was 'How Faith is the Substance Once Hoped For.' The theme for this year is 'The Faithful Departed are Secure from Sin and Death,' I Cor. 54:55.
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Before writing these articles the chosen theme is submitted to members of Council for their acceptance or rejection. In answer to inquiries on reading matter for chapters, I have tried to recommend only books on Prayer and Prayer Groups, The Church, Worship, Leadership, Vocation, Service and always suggest the study of our own handbook at least during some part of the year.

Self Denial Fund, Mrs. S. B. Ziegler; "Our offering is growing. This Triennium, it was by far the largest yet received. It is most gratifying to learn of the growing interest of the members in this very worthwhile offering which as you know supports the Order's missionary, Miss Elda J. Smith. In addition, the Daughters through voluntary contributions paid the balance due on Miss Smith's car which amounted to $916.55. We take this opportunity of thanking all who gave so generously to make this gift to our beloved missionary possible."

Master's Fund, Gertrude Brisbane; "During the past triennium the Master's Fund committee has at first hunted for young women to help and then has received more requests than we have been able to grant. As instructed, the chairman secured the advice and approval of the presiding bishop and the board of the Woman's Auxiliary for the granting of scholarships to the Canadian Woman's Training Center for any applicant who passed and planned to return to the United States to give service. During the academic year 1952-1953 two full scholarships were granted to first year students. One was at Windham House and one attended St. Margaret's. The academic year of 1953-1954 brought us three young ladies, two of these who were second year grants, and one who was a new first year student at Windham House. One other student passed the committee but later found it unnecessary to accept the scholarship. One applicant did not pass. The year 1954-1955 brought us four recipients. One first year student at St. Margaret's House, two second year students and one first year student at Windham House. All four of these were full scholarships of $700. Again this year we had to turn our thinking, for we had another one to pass but not enough funds to give the grant. For the year 1955-56, we have sent the checks for three students. One is for full scholarship aid at St. Margaret's, one is for full scholarship aid to a second year student at Windham House and one for a first year student at Windham House. This again uses all of the funds available. We have another one at St. Margaret's House who has passed the committee and with hope has entered and asked that her application be carried over for next year. The committee has submitted articles for the Royal Cross, some of which have been written by the committee and some by the young ladies receiving scholarships. The ones receiving help have kept in correspondence with the chairman of the committee. A file has been kept on each applicant receiving aid. The chairman has had correspondence and discussions with the Deaconess in charge of the Deaconess Training Center at Sycamore, Ill., and the Cynthia Lamb scholarship has now been transferred to this school. With deep appreciation to the other members of the committee, Miss Lamb and Mrs. Wilson, I believe we have established a warmer tie between this committee of the Daughters of the King and the national board of the Woman's Auxiliary. I believe that this is in part due to the leadership of my predecessor as chairman, Miss Lamb, and to our Woman's Auxiliary representative, and a member of our committee, Mrs. Wilson."

Office Secretary, Miss Alice K. Rennie; "As of Oct. 1, 1955, no supplies will be mailed out unless the name, address and zone number and remittance accompanies the request for registration of new members, and that checks or money orders must accompany all orders whether for registrations or supplies. Only names of paid up members should be placed on list when sending in dues. Notify the national office immediately of failure to receive the Royal Cross. All changes and additions have to go to the printers through the national office. Send in change of addresses immediately. In sending in your names, say whether Miss or Mrs.
The Twenty-Sixth Convention of the Daughters of the King

It would be best to give both names if married, example, Mrs. John Smith (Mary). Make out all remittances to The Daughters of the King, Inc. These have been wonderful years in the national office for the office secretary.

The Junior Division, Miss Grace M. Brisbane; president officer of the Junior section, introduced Betty Milbank of Wichita, Kans., incoming representative to the National Youth Commission, who led the opening devotions. She was assisted by Jo Anna Hanson of Euclid, Ohio, outgoing representative. Pat Wood, past president of the Youth Commission, Washington, D. C., was the speaker. She gave a report as representative of Youth Division of Department of Christian Education and a report on Young Churchmen's convention. The theme of the Junior Division was "Put on the Whole Armor of Christ." Miss Brisbane announced the printing of the Junior Division study manual. A brief discussion followed, with the assembly divided into four groups.

Junior Chairman, Miss Brisbane; "We have had many letters of inquiry concerning the Junior Division which have been answered. Several of these have developed into chapters. We have lost some chapters. Now there are 62 Junior chapters with a total membership of 875. These are located in 32 dioceses. Fifteen of these chapters are newly organized this past year with three being in the diocese of Alabama and the others in Kansas, California, Louisiana, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Maryland, Virginia, and West Texas. In accordance with the Council resolution, a letter was sent to all Junior chapters explaining the work of our Youth Representative, and asking for names of girls capable of undertaking the position. From these names, the executive Council selected Betty Milbank of Wichita, Kans."

Resolutions adopted; "Whereas, contact between chapter, diocesan and provincial officers and the national office on routine matters is through the permanent headquarters in New York City, and whereas such contact would be benefited and become more efficient and satisfactory to all concerned if subordinate officers had opportunity to establish closer and more personal relations with the national office, it is hereby resolved that during the time of triennial convention, the national office shall have a supply and information table open for business during the time and at the place where such convention is being held, and in charge of the office secretary;" — "That funds be appropriated from which the expense of transportation of the office secretary between the place of the convention and New York shall be paid, together with the necessary expense of lodging and subsistence and necessary incidental items." — "That a sincere vote of thanks be extended to the Rt. Rev. Nelson M. Burroughs, the Very Rev. Percy F. Rex, the Rev. Laurence H. Hall, the Rev. Andrew S. Gill, the Rev. Frank W. Hutchings, the Rev. Ira M. Crowther, the Rev. Dayton B. Wright, the Rev. W. C. McCracken, the Rev. Louis M. Brereton, the Rev. J. Keith M. Lee, the Rev. Wm. D. Shrively, the Rev. W. Howard Graham, the Rev. Raymond Riebs, the Rev. Laurence H. Blackburn, the Very Rev. Chester B. Emerson and the Rt. Rev. Beverly Tucker, for their great contributions in inspirational guidance and spiritual uplift." — "That a vote of thanks be given to the chairmen of local arrangements, Mrs. J. M. Beggs and Mrs. H. A. Bolles, Mrs. Emma A. Wirth, Mrs. James Byers, Mrs. R. N. Klein, Mrs. L. G. Collar, Mrs. C. H. Smart, Mrs. E. G. Jackson, Mrs. R. Armstrong, Mrs. W. C. McCracken, the Rev. W. Howard Graham, the Rev. Raymond Riebs, the Rev. Laurence H. Blackburn, the Very Rev. Chester B. Emerson and the Rt. Rev. Beverly Tucker, for their great contributions in inspirational guidance and spiritual uplift." — "That a vote of thanks be extended to the rector and the ladies of Emmanuel Church for the Fellowship Tea, so graciously welcoming the delegates and visitors of this convention." —

Merry Christmas
The Twenty-Sixth Convention of the Order of the Daughters of the King

" Whereas for the past six years our beloved president, Miss Lillian Janet Soper has served the Order with outstanding fidelity at all times, be it resolved that this convention here assembled express deep appreciation for her untiring efforts and leadership under which the Order has shown such progress."—"That a rising vote of appreciation be given these persons and all those who have contributed so generously to the success of this convention."—"Upon the occasion of the 70th anniversary banquet of the Order, a most beautiful and delicious tiered cake was the surprise gift of the Northern Ohio Assembly of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, be it resolved that a sincere vote of thanks and good wishes be extended to these Brothers for their delightful and generous gift."—"That the secretary be advised to send a copy of this resolution to the Brotherhood."

The report of the Evaluation Committee; Mrs. May Dayton: "The committee feels this has been a very fine convention. They heartily approve of the fellowship hour and hymn sing with the touch of humor. The placing of the Junior program was ideal and the presence of the Juniors added greatly. We would suggest, if practical, the Meditations be held in the church; have information regarding the location, etc. of Provinces available for newcomers to convention; consider having meditations and/or discussion groups; if discussion groups, allow more time for them if possible, smaller groups. Consider having less time between close of morning session and beginning of afternoon session which would allow closing a little earlier in the afternoon; have a parliamentarian present at our meetings to relieve the chair of that responsibility; that the people have on their badges, their names, and also their dioceses."

Mrs. James Cassidy, chief teller, announced the following as elected to the National Council: Mrs. Jack M. Beggs, Ohio; Mrs. E. J. Tomenendal, Chicago; Mrs. Arthur T. Loving, Louisiana; Miss Clara Stackhouse, Pennsylvania; Miss Hattie Bunting, West Texas; Mrs. May Dayton, Washington; Mrs. O. U. Wymer, Texas; Mrs. Marion Wilson, Connecticut; Mrs. E. D. Smith, Atlanta; Mrs. John F. Charlton, South Florida; Mrs. H. H. Nygren, Los Angeles; Mrs. C. H. Keiser, Kansas; Mrs. Winthrop Kimball, Colorado; Mrs. Neal Van Stelle, West Michigan and Mrs. W. E. Miles, Olympia.

The newly elected Council members were installed at the Altar of the Cathedral on Saturday, Oct. 1, at 8 A.M. by the Rt. Rev. Nelson M. Burroughs, during the Holy Communion and Memorial Service and the service of Rededication, at which time the Book of Remembrance was placed on the Altar.

Jessie Tomenendal, Secretary

MIAMI BEACH

The General Convention accepted the invitation of the diocese of South Florida to hold the General Convention of 1958 in Miami Beach, Fla.

The Convention will be held in October beginning on the fifth.

A number of Deputies asked questions about the problems of segregation and were assured that there is no discrimination in housing, food, or transportation in Miami Beach.

This would take the General Convention to the South for the first time in more than 30 years. The last Convention in the South was the Convention of 1925 which met in New Orleans. Only two other times in history has the full Convention met in the South, that was twice in Richmond, Va.
PERSONAL PRAYER

Dean Rex contrasted mechanical power to spiritual power using as an illustration the plane in which he flew from Seattle to Hawaii and the feeling he had flying 15,000 feet over the Pacific for 10½ hours. He thought of the plane's designer, the material and parts of the plane, the manufacturers, the mechanics that pronounced it fit to fly, then the pilot and the many hours of training necessary to have command of this plane; then the feeling he had that if these laws of order and design were obeyed the plane would arrive at its destination safely — just so, he said, on the spiritual side, when we obey the law, order and design God's world ordains then we can expect power in our prayers. It's only when out of harmony through violation of these laws that that power fails and not through deviation on the part of God.

He said that the current religious revival we are experiencing is not confined to our Western world but said that the Eastern world's so-called ancient and decadent religions such as Hinduism, Buddhism, etc. are making a strong comeback. He pointed out that in contrast to the prosperity in the Western world poverty in the East arouses resentful attitude toward Western pride and satisfaction in its imperialism and that these hundreds of millions of people are beginning to assert themselves.

He urged that we keep these four things in mind as what God is— First, he is Holy; second, He is Righteousness; third, He is Faithfulness; fourth, He is Love.

He said that God was not to be merely used for our benefit; that this is God's world and that He is in charge of it and active; and that His laws are inexorable.

He concluded this first session by saying that it is never God's will that one of His children has an incurable disease or that planes crash, etc., but His will is good—he declared that if we put ourselves in line with God's will and obey Him through the above four things that more power through prayer than the world could ever know, would be wrought.

PERSONAL PRAYER

It was the conclusion of Dean Rex and the group that Prayer need not be uttered to be effective.

Intentions matter more to God than choice of words so just what is felt in the heart can be prayer.

Prayer should not be mechanical, empty words when using the Book of Common Prayer but that a conscious, personal relationship with God is necessary if our prayers are to have any power.

He suggested that Episcopalians need to learn to pray spontaneously.

It was a comforting thought that, as the dean pointed out, even the great Mystics experience what is referred to as periods of dryness or vacuum in their prayer life, but that it is only a temporary condition.

He then spoke of how valuable the Book of Common Prayer is for a clergyman when he is confronted with expressing for his congregation their wants, needs, hopes and aspirations in a pastoral prayer regardless of his own personal feelings.

3rd Session

In prayers for the sick, Dean Rex suggested choosing from the Forward Movement booklets "Prayers For All Occasions" and "Prayers New & Old" as they contain excellent ones. In this connection he asked, "For what are we praying?" He said that too many Christians fear death and do not trust God in the life to come. That we tremble and quake when a loved one dies. He declared that Christianity falls down if we don't have faith in God and trust Him to be the same yesterday, today and forever. He also said that if we trust our loved ones to God in this life, we ought also to trust them to Him in the life to come—that we all believe in a resurrection, do we not? He said, as far as he was concerned, this life and the life to come is all in one piece. That the God that gave us this body will provide the next.

Dean Rex said he was afraid that extraneous matters, trivialities such as bazaars, church suppers, what kind of candles to use on that altar, etc., consume so much of our time that none is left for these real problems we all must face and that need solutions with applied Christianity. He suggests that we make an effort to follow Jesus' command to "Be ye perfect even as your heavenly Father is perfect" and use these basic fundamentals as pattern: Holiness, Righteousness, Faithfulness and Lovingkindness.
"POWER OF PRAYER"

Findings on "Power of Corporate Prayer" one of the discussions at the convention.

How is this power released? Is there such a thing as power in Prayer? How can we be instruments in its release? Prayer is always power. We must believe in the Trinity. It is our problem how to avail ourselves of this power. As Episcopalians, we have in our Book of Common Prayer, a perfect tool for Corporate Prayer.

What is Corporate Prayer? It is prayer in fellowship together with one purpose. The fact that the prayer is shared makes it corporate. There is a spiritual corporateness. Corporate prayer can be considered corporate if it embodies one idea, one request, and does not have to be given in one body and one place and one time.

Is there power in Corporate Prayer? Must Prayer be in your own words or can you use a prayer from the Prayer Book and make it your own and enter into the Prayer? You can add to Prayer Book Prayers and make them personal for corporate use. Is there special training for composing extemporaneous prayers? No, but the constant use of our prayer book colors our extemporaneous prayers and we may think they are extemporaneous when they are really from our Prayer Book.

There is a value to meeting together for Corporate Prayer, as it brings us closer together, and there is more power where there is a fellowship. When two or three are gathered together, there is more power than if the two or three pray separately. We must pray together "Thy Will Be Done," and have faith in His love and righteousness.

Mrs. C. H. Keiser, Recorder
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Kansas City, Kan.

ACTIONS SPEAK LOUDER THAN WORDS!

"An old Scottish woman said to her rector, "That was a grand sermon you preached last Sabbath at the Kirk!"

Seeking to test her sincerity, he asked, "And what was the text?"

"Ah, meenister!" she replied, "I dinna ken the text or the words; but I came home and took the false bottom out o' my peck measure."

—Selected

LORD TEACH US TO PRAY

A new leaflet by the Rt. Rev. Robert Erskine Campbell, O. H. C., entitled "Lord Teach Us To Pray" has been printed and prepared for distribution among our members. This article, as the title infers, covers a subject close to the hearts of all good Brotherhood Members, namely:—"How to pray." It is done as only our beloved Bishop Campbell can do such things. There is nothing heavy or dull about this article. Rather, it is intensely interesting and easy to read. He makes it easy to pray by supplying helps to prayer. The folder will be included in each piece of mail leaving the National Office for the next few weeks but if you want a copy drop a line to The Brotherhood of St. Andrew, 709 W. Market St., York, Pa. If you wish a supply of the folders they may be purchased on the basis of 6c each or 40c per dozen.

"IF GOD FORGOT"

"If God forgot the world,
Forgot for just one day—
Forgot to send the sunshine,
And change the night to day;
Forgot to make the flowers grow,
Forgot the birds and bees,
Forgot to send the sweetness
Of the south wind in the trees;
Forgot to give us friendships,
Forgot to send us rain,
Forgot to give the children play,
Forgot to soften pain;
What would happen to this world and us?
Would we still be gay?
If God should forget—
Forget for just one day?"

—Georgia M. Anderson

October, 1955—St. Andrew's Cross
"WITNESSING THROUGH PERSONAL SERVICE"

One may be a witness through writing, including letters to those in trouble, or articles for church periodicals, etc. Writing is also an outlet for those desiring to "Witness for Him," who are physically unable to do anything outside of writing or reading to shut-ins at convalescent homes, or at home. The person transporting the physically handicapped to do this task of writing or reading is a witness. Another way of witnessing through personal service, is reading to the blind. "Never be too busy doing church work to be a Christian," advised the Rev. Keith M. Lee, leader of this group. A Christian may witness in every walk of everyday living, such as driving an automobile, telephoning, etc. We can be a witness to Christ by our actions. "Forgetting oneself,—being selfless in trying to show forth the work of the Lord, is being a good witness, and not exploiting our good deeds." Not capitalizing on infirmities but trusting in God's motive in visiting our misfortune upon us. Being gracious to timid, lonely, apparently stand-offish people, and not avoiding them. We can give personal service through personal prayer. Speak to strangers in church, take flowers to the living. "Our greatest sin is Goodness twisted out of shape."

Personal service is demonstrated through Altar work, bringing people to baptism and confirmation. Telling rectors of the illness of parishioners, who wish his ministry. Using Talents to assist in Christian work. He who needs help the most will give help most graciously, and is most likely to succeed in his mission—example, an Alcoholic Anonymous helping an alcoholic. "Whatsoever Ye Do, Do All in the Name of Jesus Christ."

Mrs. E. J. Tomenendal, Recorder

THE PRESENCE OF GOD

There is never a moment, in any experience of pain or affliction, when we are alone. God is a constant companion of those who need Him.

"Fear not for I am with you, be not dismayed, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you, I will uphold you with my victorious right hand." Isa. 41:10

APPLICATION OF SERVICE

Discussion Group Theme: — Witnessing Through Corporate Service.

Leader:—The Rev. Laurence H. Blackburn, D.D., Rector of Emmanuel Church, Cleveland.

Reporter:—Mrs. Raymond A. Dayton, Diocese of Washington.

A plain definition of witnessing:—Believing in something enough to do something about it and then doing something about it. Witnessing Through Corporate Service This means to join together in doing something about extending our Christian faith which we cannot do by ourselves and/or which we can do better corporately.

1. The Advantages
1. We can accomplish what would be impossible by individual effort.
2. We can accomplish more through corporate effort.
3. We can better maintain our enthusiasm.
4. We can more effectively hold our witness-purpose before us.
5. In a group we supplement and complement each other.
6. We gain spiritual depth and nourishment individually from the fellowship of worshipping, studying and serving corporately.

2. The Dangers
1. We forget the end as we get bogged down in the mechanics of organization. Keep spiritual ideals always before us.
2. We think it sufficient to join the group. Joining is an invitation to work.
3. We neglect to see that each member is obligated to perform her witnessing in the group. Every member should be a working member. Organize so that everyone has a job.
4. We become too involved in catering to the idiosyncrasies of individual members. Have to accept people as they are. Should use our heads and put the idiosyncrasies to work and maybe overcome them.

"Onward Christian soldiers,
Marching as to war,
With the cross of Jesus
Going on before."
Proposed Amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws

Dear Daughters of the King:

Your attention is called to the following proposed amendments to the Constitution and By-Laws, respectively, which were unanimously adopted by the National Council of the Order in regular session assembled, May 14, 1953, and May 26, 1954.

Proposed Amendment to the Constitution

"That Article III, Section 1, paragraph (c) be amended to read as follows: Two or more women in good standing in any diocese who ratify this Constitution and By-Laws, may, with the approval of the Diocesan President, organize a Diocesan Chapter." "In Dioceses where there are no organized chapters, the approval of the Bishop shall be obtained."

Proposed Amendment to the By-Laws

"That the following be added to the opening paragraph of Article V, Section 3. "When Diocesan Chapters are to be composed of members of the Order who are unattached to a parish chapter, and who are scattered throughout the diocese or in a particular Convocation, such members need not serve a probationary period or pay a registration fee. Such chapters must send with the application blank to the national office their annual national per capita dues of $1.25 for the current year for all members whose dues have not been paid through their former chapter."

"That Article V, Section 3, paragraph (a) be amended to read as follows: "Specific work shall be carried on under the direction of the Chapter President or the Diocesan President and a report shall be made annually to the National Chairman of Diocesan Chapters."

"That paragraph (b) of Article V, Section 3, be eliminated."

For some time there has been a serious question in the minds of many as to the appropriateness of the name "Bishop's Chapters" for those chapters comprised of unattached Daughters in a Diocese. Therefore on May 14, 1953, the National Council of the Order, in regular session assembled, adopted the following resolution: "That chapters now in existence called Bishop's Chapters retain this title if they so desire, and in the future all new chapters of this type be called "Diocesan Chapters."

We would commend to your favorable action these resolutions which commend themselves as practical steps forward in our efforts toward increasing our membership and our work. We urge you to bring the proposed amendments before your chapter and diocesan meetings, instructing your chapter and diocesan delegates to Triennial Convention as to how you desire them to cast their vote when this matter comes before the Convention for action.

Faithfully yours,

The National Council
The Daughters of the King

THE CHURCH BUILDING SPEAKS

1. "I like for people to know who I am and when they are especially invited to come to me—in short, I believe in up-to-date signboards.

2. "I like to have grass and trees and shrubbery around me. I am a living being and I want life around me. Moreover, it shows that somebody loves and cares.

3. "I like to be open for prayer and meditation. People often need me on short notice; they want to be near God through the associations that I give, and they want to come to me quietly, unostentatiously.

4. "I like to have Prayer Books and Hymnals for everybody. I believe in the power of our prayers and hymns to reach and heal the souls of men, so I want all who come to be able to join in the service in books that have all the pages in them and look strong and healthy.

5. "I like to have tracts for those who want to study, who might be interested in confirmation . . . and I like to see them changed frequently and displayed.

6. "I like to be in readiness for a service of worship at least fifteen minutes before the service begins. I love for my people to come early and to prepare themselves by quiet prayer and meditation for the great experience they are about to share. Also, I like for my altar to be cleared immediately after Holy Communion and I don't like dead flowers.

7. "I don't like to be too cold, but even more I don't like to be too hot. People warm me up—and often it is the stuffiness of the air even more than the dullness of the sermon that puts people to sleep. Please remember there is nothing irreverent about fresh air!

8. "Above all, I long to be loved and visited and used as a way to His peace which passeth all understanding. Oh my dear people, will you not hear and heed?"

—The Rt. Rev. Everett H. Jones, D.D.
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### A Little Story of Intercession

Some months ago one of the members of St. Paul’s chapter, Burlingame, Calif., learned of the illness of five-year-old Larry Quayle, who was suffering from leukemia, and given only a month or two to live. His story was published in the newspapers and this Daughter of the King placed him on her prayer-list, as did the chapter. Her interest led her to communicate with one of the agencies helping him. After being taken home, in spite of his being given so little time to live, he is, at the present writing, not only alive but apparently improving. Mrs. Bond, his Daughter of the King friend, has written to him and sent him a little prayer, not too difficult to say, written, at her request by the Editor of Our News Sheet, in the hope that it may be of help to other little children.

I thank You, Lord, for this new day;  
Keep close to me, drive pain away;  
And help me to be brave and say,  
YOU love me LORD.

—From Our News Sheet  
Diocese of California
Diocese of Louisiana

The Diocesan Assembly of the Daughters of the King in the Diocese of Louisiana held its semi-annual meeting at Grace Church, Monroe, La., July 8, 1955 with the president, Mrs. T. F. Wilson, presiding.

The meeting was preceded by a Corporate Communion and was opened with prayer by Father Allin, who then delivered a welcoming address to those present, in which he stressed the important place which this organization holds in the Diocesan family.

This was followed by a roll call of the chapter delegates, who were called upon in turn to give reports of this year's work. Trinity Chapter, New Orleans, was represented by its president, Mrs. Arthur Loving; the Bishop's Chapter, New Orleans, by Mrs. Jeffries, past Diocesan president; St. Martin's, New Orleans, by the president, Mrs. Walter Staba, and Mrs. Morel; and St. Mary's, Grace Church, Monroe, by the Chapter president, Mrs. S. C. Straussler, and fourteen members. St. Luke's, New Orleans, had no representative present but a report sent in by the chapter president, Mrs. Lena Herron, was read by the secretary.

Mrs. Wilson called attention to the fact that vacancies existed in the offices of vice-president and directress of Junior Daughters of the King, and without objection she announced the appointment of Mrs. J. J. Falgout as vice-president, and Mrs. Calvin Hervey as directress of Junior Daughters, the offices to be held until the regular election takes place.

Another item which was disposed of, was the fixing of annual dues.

Mrs. Loving was called on for a talk, and delivered an inspirational message to the Daughters. She pointed out that the Order of the Daughters of the King is a consecrated group, and explained the meaning of true consecration.

The object of the three funds in the national treasury of the Daughters of the King, the Endowment Fund, the Master's Fund, and the Self-Denial Fund, was explained. The salary of the missionary, Miss Elda Smith, is paid by the Order and two scholarships were awarded last year to Windham House, New York, where women are domiciled while attending college. Two such scholarships to St. Margaret's in California were also awarded.

Respectfully submitted,
Louise Leigh, Secretary

Builders For Christ

The cornerstone of the new $500,000 Hall of Bishops at the Cathedral of St. Philip, Atlanta, contains a Daughters of the King Handbook and cross.

The cross and handbook were placed in the stone at a ceremony marking the completion of the Hall of Bishops along with a Bible, a Book of Common Prayer, and a copy of the local newspaper, The Atlanta Journal and Constitution of the date of the ceremony—August 14.

The Rt. Rev. Randolph R. Claiborne, Jr., Bishop of the Atlanta Diocese, placed the stone and sealed it. He was assisted by The Very Rev. Alfred Hardeman, Dean of the Cathedral, and Dean Emeritus Raimundo de Ovies. Approximately 100 special guests were present for the exercises marking the opening of the building.

The 25,000 square-foot structure was begun in April, 1954. It will be used by the entire Diocese, and includes Sunday School rooms, a kitchen, dining room, several offices, the Cathedral book store and a 1,000 person auditorium.

The Daughters of the King of the Atlanta Diocese feel, in grateful humility, that the significance of the work the Order undertakes is thus recognized in a permanent manner as part of the foundation of the spiritual and physical life of the Diocese.

FORWARD PUBLICATIONS 20 YEARS OLD

The summer catalogue issued by Forward Publications, 412 Sycamore St., Cincinnati, Ohio, marked the 20th anniversary of this publisher of devotional and educational reading matter for the Church.

On its summer list Forward Publications announced several new pamphlets including "Why I Tithe" (five cents) by the playing captain of the New York Giants, Alvin Dark.

Also included were Bishop Emrich's "Truth and Honesty" (five cents) and Bishop Barth's "Why Pray?" (five cents), as well as "In Everything Give Thanks" by John D. Lee (five cents); "The Church's Declaration of Interdependence" (five cents), and "The Lord's Prayer and You" (ten cents).

Diocese of Central New York

The 49th Annual Assembly of the Daughters of the King of the Diocese of Central New York met in St. John's Church, Ithaca, on Saturday, Sept. 17. Holy Communion was celebrated at 10:30 A.M. by the Rector, the Rev. Warren G. Traub. At the close of the service, Miss Watkins, a probationer of Trinity Chapter, Elmira, was presented by Mrs. Turner, Diocesan president and admitted to membership in the Order by Fr. Traub.

After a short business session and noon-day prayers for missions, led by the Rector, the members adjourned to a nearby hotel for lunch.

The afternoon session began in the church with a meditation given by Fr. Traub on words found in the 2nd Letter of St. Peter, chap. 1, v. 5 as given in Letters to Young Churches tr. by J. B. Phillips.

"See that your faith carries with it real goodness of life. Your goodness must be accompanied by knowledge, your knowledge by self-control, your self-control by ability to endure. Your endurance too must always be accompanied by a real trust in God; that in turn must have the quality of brotherliness, and your brotherliness must lead on to Christian love. If you have these qualities existing and growing in you then it means that knowing our Lord Jesus Christ has not made your lives either complacent or unproductive."

At the business meeting following it was voted to send $30.00 to our missionary Elda Smith in Hawaii and $10.00 to the Episcopal Chaplin at Auburn State Prison.

New officers elected were:

President, Miss Charlotte M. Young, Ithaca.

Vice-President, Miss Mary H. Wilson, Syracuse.

Secretary, Miss Margaret Gracie, Elmira.

Treasurer, Mrs. Harold Miller, Greene.

"WORLD DAY OF PRAYER"
will be on
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17, 1956
The Theme will be "One Flock and One Shepherd." This is sponsored by the National Council of Church Women.

Diocese of Washington

It is of interest to note some of the services rendered by The Daughters of the King of the Washington Diocese during the year of 1954-1955.

Gifts of beautiful hand embroidered altar linens were presented to the Glen Dale Sanitarium Chapel and to the District Village (Formerly Blue Plains) Chapel. A Communion Service set consisting of a hand wrought silver Chalice, Cruets, Paten and Ciborium was also given to the District Village Chapel.

The Chapel Fund for the purpose of support and promotion of Diocesan activities was augmented by the Louise M. Rechenberg legacy and will be maintained by voluntary contributions from individual daughters and chapters.

At the Annual Meeting of the Daughters of the King of the Washington Diocese on April 28, 1955 at St. Paul's Church, Rock Creek Parish, Washington, D. C., a check for $500.00 was presented by the Right Reverend Angus Dun, Bishop of Washington, by Mrs. H. L. Lauder, President of the Daughters of the King of the Washington Diocese, on behalf of the Daughters of the King of this diocese as a Thank Offering in commemoration of the Seventieth Birthday Anniversary of our Order, for use in the Diocesan program for "Builders for Christ."

Appropos of the Seventieth Anniversary at said Annual Meeting, a most interesting historical sketch of The Order of The Daughters of the King was given by our National President, Miss Lillian Janet Soper.

Marguerite M. Milne
Corresponding Secretary
The Daughters of The King
Diocese of Washington

Be not afraid to pray—
to pray is right.
Pray if thou canst, with hope; but ever pray,
Though hope be weak or sick with long delay;
Pray in the darkness, if there be no light.

—Hartley Coleridge
A CHRISTMAS PRAYER
O Christ, grant us thankful hearts today for Thee, our choicest gift, our dearest guest. Let not our souls be busy inns that have no room for Thee and Thine, but quiet homes of prayer and praise where Thou mayest find fit company, where the needful cares of life are wisely ordered and put away, and wide sweet spaces kept for Thee, where holy thoughts pass up and down, and fervent longings watch and wait Thy coming. So when Thou comest again, O Holy One, mayest Thou find all things ready, and Thy family waiting for no new master, but for one long loved and known.

Even so come, Lord Jesus. Amen.

THE PRAYER OF A LIFE CHANGER
All through this day, O Lord,
Let me touch as many lives as possible
For Thee.
And every life I touch, do Thou
By Thy Holy Spirit quicken,
Whether through the word I speak the
Prayer I breathe, the
Letters I write, or the
Life I live.
In the Name of Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Fellowship of Saint Luke

THE DRIVER'S PRAYER
O ever-present Lord, I pray
Be with me at the wheel today.
Fill every corner of my mind.
So roaming thoughts no lodgings find.
And take control of my two eyes,
That I may be alert and wise.
And take my feet, and take my hands,
That they react to quick demands.
Give me Thy guidance, Friend Divine,
For other folk as well as mine.
Then, when we come to journey's end,
My prayers to Heaven will ascend
In utter thankfulness to Thee,
Who kept the wheel all day with me.

—F. Oswald Barnett

PRAYER FOR A PILOT
Lord of Sea, and Earth and Air
Listen to the Pilot's prayer
Send him wind that's steady and strong
Grant that his engine sings the song
Of flawless tone, but which he knows
It shall not fail him, where he goes;
Landing, gliding, on course, half roll—
Grant him O Lord, a full control
That he may learn in heights of Heaven
The rapture altitude has given
That he shall know the joy they feel
Who ride the realms on
Birds of Steele

—Cecil Roberts
Dear Junior Members of
The Daughters of The King:

At the Triennial Convention of our Order held in Cleveland, Ohio recently, I was appointed to be Chairman of the Junior Division.

This appointment came as a surprise to me, and I wondered if I am qualified to do a good job with the Junior Division work. After talking to several Junior Directresses who were attending the Convention, I was assured of their cooperation and prayers, and I felt sure that I could depend on other directresses and members for these two very important necessities in order to carry out a planned program. Then, too, as I thought on the theme of the Junior Division at Convention, “Put on the whole armor of God,” I felt this would be an excellent theme to carry on for this next year. So, with these thoughts I accepted this office, and I pray that I shall have your prayers and suggestions, and cooperation.

I should like to suggest that you have your Rector, or perhaps your directress, include one study period on this theme at one of your meetings. It is found in St. Paul’s Epistle to the Ephesians, 6:11-13. I am sure that as you read and study these verses you will know that if we live according to this theme we will have the courage and endurance to go forward in His Service to which Christ has privileged us to be called.

I wish that I could meet all of you personally, but since this is not possible, won’t you please know that I shall be writing your directresses and in this way and through the Royal Cross I hope to keep in close touch with your chapter activities.

Do not hesitate to write me if I can be of service to you, and suggestions are always welcome.

Yours in His Service,
Hattie K. Bunting
Chairman, Junior Division

Teen-agers Value Highly
Community ‘Experiment’

A successful youth work project, which embraced an experimental Christian community and a vacation-school, was completed recently at the Chapel of the Incarnation, New York City.

It was attended by young people from 11 different parishes in New York City, Dobbs Ferry, Yonkers, N. Y.; Lincoln, Neb.; Hastings-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.; Rye, N. Y.; Battle Creek, Mich., and Wilmington, Del.

In charge were the Rev. David T. P. Bradley and Mrs. Bradley, Christ Church, Yonkers, N. Y., and the Rev. and Mrs. Robert S. Hayden of the Chapel of the Incarnation, where Fr. Hayden is curate. The Rev. H. O. Bingley, vicar of the Chapel of the Incarnation, was host.

The young people, all teenagers, “camped” in the parish house for the two-week duration of the project.

The first week was spent in setting up the vacation school, with a seminar course on Christian Community Life conducted by the three priests. The immediate neighborhood, which in the last few years has swelled with an influx of Puerto Ricans, was “seeded” with pamphlets announcing the school. The result: Daily attendance of 45 children.

Mr. Bradley told Ecnews that her most wonderful experience was teaching the children hymns on the steps of the church. “We almost stopped traffic,” she said.

The young people and priests then visited the homes of many of the children, talking with parents and inviting them to attend “parents night,” when work and handicrafts made by the children were displayed.

There were small models of an altar with candlesticks made of old cotton spools cut in two, clay crosses, etc. One room had been painted a gay yellow and blue.

This was the third work camp of its type held in the Diocese of New York. Success of the projects is attributed to their high aim
and the way they were set up.

The goal: To establish an experimental Christian community of young people and leaders on the worksite with the responsibility and tasks shared equally by all.

How it was met: Making Holy Communion the center of the group life; sharing worship, work and play with all kinds of people and different races, and limiting enrollment to 10 young people.

The results of these work camps, the leaders believe, have proved that such an experience in close Christian community living can give much more than can ever be measured or expressed in terms of a vital understanding of Christianity and its relationship to everyday lives.

This the young people—all between the ages of 16 to 20 years—wholeheartedly seconded.

The project gave them experience in door-to-door calling on people, with the aim of reaching unchurched families and setting up a vacation church school which they conducted themselves. They became acquainted with teaching methods, planning and executing of curricula and hard work that was fun. In short, they received an overall appreciation of Church work.

All of this, the leaders feel, is invaluable experience to any young person who might be interested in the ministry, teaching or social work.

—From The Church News

We can "put on the whole armor of God" if—

We are Courageous.................Deut. 31:6
We are Faithful.....................Hebrews 11:1
We Pray.........................Luke 11:1-4
We Serve........................John 9:4
We are Christian examples to others . . . . I Timothy 4:12.

Suggested Prayer Calendar for January
For The Junior Division
1st to 8th........................Mrs. Jessie Tomenendal
National President Daughters of The King
8th to 15th......................Miss Elda Smith
Missionary
15th to 22nd....................All Junior Directresses
22nd to 29th..................President Eisenhower

Dear Juniors:

Would it not be wonderful if all Juniors could attend a Triennial Convention?

No words or speeches can give you the same inspiration as being there yourself, taking part in discussions, listening to others tell of their work in their various chapters, receiving help from sermons, meditations, and the joy of true fellowship.

Let me bring to your memory three C’s. Consecration cooperation. Continuity

Consecration

We dedicate all our service to God, who has done so much for us, and we need the whole Armor of God to help us.

Cooperation

Cooperation with other organizations and the rectors of our parishes gives us a greater opportunity for service.

Cooperation also gives us greater vision, and understanding, strengthening ourselves, and our chapters.

Continuity

Continuity in the Order keeps the Order growing.

We look to the Juniors to take our places as time marches on.

We may be small groups here and there, but let me remind you that our Lord worked with small groups.

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Put on the whole armor is to do His work and may God bless you in all your efforts carried on for His sake.

A blessed Christmas to each and every one of you.

Constance A. Shannon

You will notice that we have many new names on our National Council.

We are grateful for the inspiring help of former members, and chairmen.

Now we look to the future, and the president has appointed Miss Harriet K. Bunting as National Chairman of the Juniors.

I know you will do all you can to help her.

Appropriate Prayer for:

CHRISTIAN LIVING

Teach us, good Lord, to serve Thee as Thou deservest; to give, and not to count the cost, to fight and not to heed the wounds; to toil and not to seek for rest; to labor and not to ask for any reward save that of knowing that we do Thy will. Amen.
THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

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Cross, silver hand engraved, with safety catch, for replacement only, each .25
Constitution, 7c each; a dozen .25
Service of Admission, a dozen .20
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Orders for literature or crosses should be sent at least ten days or two weeks before needed to assure delivery in time and must be accompanied by the money to pay for them, either checks, money orders (either of which should be drawn to the Order of the Daughters of the King and not to any individual), one, two, three, or five-cent postage stamps.

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Crosses, silver hand engraved, with safety catch, for replacement only .60
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