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*Let nothing disturb thee;
Nothing affright thee;
All things are passing;
God never changeth.*

—LONGFELLOW.

EDITORIAL

PROMISING PROGRESS IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

That the Church cannot afford to be indifferent to religious education is coming to be understood as never before.

Definite religious education is receiving emphasis not only in the utterances of leaders, but also in the action of Conferences and in the efforts in behalf of our colleges and universities. Conferences have successfully launched forward movements for the education of young people and for adult education. The increasing number of earnest young people and adult Church workers who are taking advantage of the opportunity for study during the summer months, shows conclusively that a definite and urgent need has been felt for these courses of study.

To many this is one of the most hopeful signs of the times, for there is an ever increasing number of those who believe that an education, however far advanced,

which does not include instruction of a religious nature, is incomplete and inadequate.

As our hearts are stirred by this great development and promise in the matter of religious teaching and training, do we consider to whom we owe this awakening in the Church? Is it not a fact that this awakening is due to the efforts of our national leaders in the Church, working through the department to which is assigned the particular task of education and training?

Thoughtful-minded people, whatever their creed, can but acknowledge that education is of great importance in the Christian religion; to the individual it gives the power to place the proper valuation on all that enters into life; to the Church it gives the worker, trained and developed as well as consecrated, through whom the Church can more speedily accomplish her great task.

WELL-INFORMED MEMBERS

An imperative need is well-informed members. A chapter not firmly established upon the foundation of the real purpose and high standards of the organization, is not living up to its possibilities.

Chapter officers, especially the President of a chapter, can do much to overcome this condition. Without having the complicated rules and regulations and complex machinery of secular organizations with whose rules we so painstakingly inform ourselves, does not being uninformed seem inexcusable? With nothing but the basic purpose of winning women to Christ through the two rules upon which the Order was founded, together with such few, simple precepts as have been found from time to time to be necessary or expedient, we yet need to be reminded.

Will not chapters think well of the suggestion to use the Hand Book at chapter meetings? The attractive new issue would make an admirable text book for several consecutive meetings; the hearing as well as reading would contribute toward the success of the object in view; and this, coming during the business part of the meeting, would in no way interfere with the Bible study. Let us allow nothing to interfere with that.

Well-informed members will do better chapter work, will aid in having the records at the National Office kept in perfect order, will be of greater help in making the chapter an invaluable aid to the clergy.

That many of the clergy are interested in the Order, is shown in various ways. The mail brings from the busy rector of a thriving parish the following suggestion which attests a desire that not only his own chapter but "all chapters" be composed of well-informed members:

"Great good could be accomplished if all chapters would keep on hand a supply of the folders recently issued, and with regularity, three or four times a year, mail copies of the same to each member on their rolls."

Would it not be well to act favorably on this suggestion?

THE ANNUAL CORPORATE COMMUNION

Lest we forget to make early plans for the fitting observance of the Annual Corporate Communion, this reminder is given. By the time our next issue reaches us, the date for this event will have passed.

If, during the three months intervening, plans for a wide observance of this Communion on All Saints' Day are perfected, it is believed much good would accrue to the individual members and to the Order. Shall we not take up this matter at our next chapter meeting? If the President of each chapter would place this at the head of new business for the next month's meeting and would see that definite plans are made for taking advantage of this privilege of a united service, it would bring about a fuller recognition and a correspondingly greater blessing.

In our own home chapter last year a plan was followed which was productive of good results. A postal card on which was typed a message similar to that on the card notices which the Brotherhood prints in bulk for parish distribution, was mailed to every woman communicant of the parish, the card and message being arranged as follows:

"ANNUAL CORPORATE COMMUNION
OF
THE ORDER OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING

"Throughout our land many of the women of the Church will gather in their respective parishes for an Annual Corporate Communion on All Saints' Day, Saturday, November 1.

"Will you not join with us in this act of thanksgiving and intercession?

"It is hoped that you and all other women of St. Mary's parish who are communicants of the Church will be present on that day at 10:00 A.M."

Perhaps some would prefer the wording on the Brotherhood card, but this seemed suited to our needs. Probably it would be possible in many parishes to arrange for an early celebration which always seems preferable. The day this year will be Monday instead of Saturday. The card addressed to each woman gives that personal touch for which we are striving. "It takes time to type hundreds of

cards!" Yes, but we believe you will feel that the results more than pay.

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A TOUR AT HOME

In view of the danger these busy days of forgetting what the word recreation means, it might be well to write it *recreation*, for literally that is what it is.

If possible, it will pay to plan for getting away from home and the ever-present routine for a time during the summer, even if the stay can be but a brief one. On our return, home and home duties will present an alluring aspect.

If it be really impossible to have the change of scene, make it possible to have some change each day, trying to throw around a "home vacation" the zest and glamour of a real journey. Plan for the leisure hours which never come during the year. Plan to rush about less. The busiest people have learned the wisdom there is in the Italian *festina lente*.

Through books and pictures it is possible to enjoy many of the pleasures of traveling without its attendant discomforts. That this is possible, is attested by the following from the pen of a clever newspaper woman:

"I am taking a *tour de luxe*. After the day's work is done, I go home to a nice big room with three windows, find a comfortable chair, and read other peoples' accounts of their travels and descriptions of the places they have seen. I am now on the Riviera. My sister, who is also taking a tour, is in Scotland. We stop our reading long enough to exercise the Scottish gift for controversy once in a while.

"She maintains that Scotland is much more interesting than the Riviera. She's agreed to finish the book she is reading and let me have it before it's due at the library."

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"Thou must be true thyself
If thou the truth would'st teach;
Thy soul must overflow,
Ere thou another soul can'st reach;
It needs the overflow of heart,
To give the lips full speech."

NEWS AND NOTES

The new Hand Book, issue of October, 1925, is published and ready for sale at the same price as the preceding issue, fifteen cents a copy, one dollar and fifty cents a dozen copies. It contains the changes and revisions authorized by the Triennial Convention in New Orleans.

Why not subscribe for THE ROYAL CROSS for your rector? Many chapters are doing this in order that their clergy may have up-to-date data regarding the Order and be thoroughly informed as to what the Daughters are doing. Single subscriptions are fifty cents, and should be sent to the National Office, Room 305, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

Letters addressed to secretaries of chapters are not personal ones. They should be referred immediately to the President and by her be presented to the members at the first opportunity.

Names and addresses of provincial and diocesan officers should be forwarded to the National Office immediately after election or appointment.

The leaflets published by the National Council of the Order will be furnished free to clergymen and others desiring information concerning the Order. Chapters and members will be supplied with these and other publications at the prices named.

All changes that should appear in *The Living Church Annual* for 1927, should be sent at once to the National Office, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y., Room 305.

A letter has been sent out from the National Office to all Diocesan Secretaries, asking them to send names and addresses of each Chapter Secretary in their dioceses. These are to be compared

with the office file, so as to have such file as complete and up-to-date as possible for the fall work. If any of the Diocesan Secretaries have not yet complied with this request, their doing so now would be greatly appreciated in this important and necessary task.

It is asked that all who send checks to the National Office will be mindful of the fact that such checks should be made payable to THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING. The Order's bank account is in the name of the Daughters of the King.

Failure to receive THE ROYAL CROSS should be reported not to this office but, to the Business Manager who will assuredly be glad, not only to be notified of this fact, but also to give the matter prompt, personal attention.

Within the pages of each issue, it is our policy to aim to include a due proportion of items of interest to the Order regarding our own work and that of the General Church of which the Order is one of the small component parts; reports of dioceses, provinces, and workers in the field; sermons and addresses from bishops and clergy; suggestions, plans, and programs dealing with present and advance work. All this within thirty-two pages once in three months,—all of which would seem to make it apparent that it is impossible, even if it were advisable, to convert our quarterly into a "minute book." Will contributors please condense their reports?

It was hoped that the August issue might contain a number of news items from the Summer Schools and Conferences, and that, from those conferences opening in June, a few words direct from the representatives at those points might come in time for publication. The items received follow:

In the Province of Washington, the Order is to be represented at the Blue Mountain Conference by Miss Soper, the new Diocesan President of Washington. The Conference is to be held in

Hood College, Frederick, Maryland. This is the first time, it is said, that a Conference has been held here.

A letter from the Fifth Province (Province of the Mid-West) gives the good news that the Order is to have representatives at four Conferences in that province: Mrs. W. W. Wilson at Wawassee; Mrs. Peter Danhof at the Michigan Summer Conference at Hillsdale, Michigan; Miss Lettie Brenneman at Gambier; and Mrs. E. F. Kenyon at Racine. Is the Fifth Province, under the leadership of the Council Member of that province, Mrs. Kenyon, to be the banner province this year in the way of Conferences?

The President of the Diocesan Assembly of Ohio, Miss Martha Kimball, writes:

"We believe the Conference at Gambier will be a very good one, as one of our best informed men on our work, Rev. Mr. McIlwain, is to give a talk on The Value of the Daughters' Work in the Five Fields of Service. We will have our Corporate Communion and a Conference just for the Daughters of the King which will be most informal."

The Church at Work gives a list of the Conferences of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew. For several years the Brotherhood has conducted these Conferences for boys with the purpose in view of showing boys, under almost ideal conditions, the joy of working in and for their Church and the possibilities of the every-day living of a Christian life. For twelve days these groups with their leaders live and work and play and worship together. This method of reaching the boy has long ago passed the experimental stage; it has proven a success, and marvelous results are reported.

Copies of the April, May, and June Bulletins of the Daughters of the King of Chicago have been received. These are monthly bulletins issued for the information and inspiration of the local chapters, and are very readable. Their "Flower

Mission," "Round Table," "The Racine Conference," "Diocesan Assembly" and the "Diocesan Magazine" are among the matters receiving attention.

From one of these bulletins mentioned in the foregoing paragraph, is taken the following:

"The Rev. Philip E. Osgood of Minneapolis, gave us a splendid Lenten talk. One sentence that it is well to bear in mind is—'Jesus had no antipathies.' That in itself is a sermon."

It is learned that Mrs. Virginia Coleman Cathey, President of the chapter which bears her name in Gadsden, Alabama, is in Brooklyn, New York, attending St. John's Church where her son is organist. It is further learned that she organized the Bishop Armitage Chapter in that parish in Brooklyn, being also its President, dividing her time between her two homes and her two chapters to both of which she is devoted.

From the Secretary of Grace Church Chapter, Memphis, Tennessee, Mrs. Lulu Pennington Adair, it is learned that much interest is manifested in the chapter work this year, and that two new members have been admitted, making their number seventeen. In addition to regular work, they have been doing sewing for the Juvenile Court and Church Mission of Help. "We are earnestly trying to accentuate the spiritual in all our efforts," she writes, "and above all else to spread Christ's kingdom."

Another diocese intends to provide for a delegate for the next Triennial Convention, the Diocesan Assembly having voted to send a delegate to Washington at the expense of the Assembly. The list of those making definite plans for this important matter is growing. The written or printed account of such a gathering can not bring to the members the enthusiasm a delegate carries home with her.

The Feast of the Transfiguration occurring in August, it is thought the membership would enjoy having on our

cover page a half-tone of another of the most celebrated paintings in the whole range of sacred art, Raphael's *The Transfiguration*.

From *The Living Church* of June 26, is taken this clipping:

The Daughters of the King and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, the two organizations in the Church specifically dedicated to evangelism, have offered their facilities to Bishop Darst for any possible service in the proposed campaign for evangelism throughout the Church.

Daughters of the King are asked to note this special request received from the Executive Secretary of the World Conference on Faith and Order, Rev. Floyd W. Tompkins, Jr.:

"As the time draws nearer the meeting of the World Conference in August, 1927, we desire the frequent prayers of all the members of your Society, for the success of this effort to promote the unity which comes from understanding and agreement among the followers of Christ."

In *Finding and Keeping Isolated Church People*, Dora C. Vannix has given an article interesting to any Churchwoman, and especially so to those engaged in the work of the Church League for the Isolated. We wish it were possible to give it here. It is furnished by the Publicity Department.

The latest statement received concerning the budget of the General Church states that up to June 1st the Church has broken all records for payments, and more dioceses have joined the honor column. The statement of the Treasurer, Mr. Lewis B. Franklin, is preceded by a caption in red ink: "Congratulations, The Best Statement Ever Issued." The brief circular letter has at its close, "Joyfully yours." Fortunate it is that the Church has a Treasurer who can endure prosperity as well as adversity. It is hoped that in the future prosperity will predominate.

Notice

During the month of August, the National Office will be closed as usual, this being the month for the vacation of the Corresponding Secretary.

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Standing Committees

National Day of Prayer: Mrs. Shayler, Dr. Gale, Miss Kimball. Chairman, Mrs. Ernest V. Shayler, 5124 Izard Street, Omaha, Nebraska.

The Master's Fund: Mrs. Lamb, Mrs. Fish, Mrs. Arndt. Chairman, Mrs. William E. Lamb, 2652 Lafayette Street, Denver, Colorado.

Summer Conferences: Mrs. Ames, Mrs. Wilson, Miss Behlendorff. Chairman, Mrs. George H. Ames, 16 Pleasant Street, Cortland, New York.

Finance: Mrs. Wright, Miss Adele Clark, Mrs. Arndt. Chairman, Mrs. Charles S. Wright, Woodmere, Long Island, New York.

Literature: Mrs. Rice, Mrs. Leigh, Mrs. Morgan. Chairman, Mrs. W. W. Rice, North Haven, Connecticut.

Bishop's Chapters: Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Rice, Mrs. Yard. Chairman, Mrs. Charles S. Wright, Woodmere, Long Island, New York.

Manual of Prayers: Mrs. W. J. Loaring Clark and all Council Members. Chairman, Mrs. W. J. Loaring Clark, Sewanee, Tennessee.

Coöperation with the Brotherhood of St. Andrew: Mrs. Birney, Mrs. Arndt, Mrs. Kenyon. Chairman, Mrs. A. A. Birney, 3440 Thirty-fourth Place, Washington, D. C.

Junior Work: Mrs. Leigh, Mrs. Kurtz, Mrs. Pierson. Chairman, Mrs. J. Gilbert Leigh, 209 East Fifteenth Street, Little Rock, Arkansas.

Extension Work: Mrs. W. J. Loaring Clark, Sewanee, Tennessee.

Commission of Coöperating Agencies: Mrs. George H. Ames, 16 Pleasant Street, Cortland, New York.

Publicity: Miss Julia N. McLean, Portland, Maine.

Diocesan and Parish Secretaries and Treasurers, Please Read!

1. Chapter Secretaries and Treasurers should see that the national dues of one dollar, are paid by November the first to the Diocesan Treasurer. If there is no diocesan organization, the national dues should be sent direct to The Daughters of the King, Room 305, 150 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y.

2. Diocesan Treasurers should feel a personal responsibility in seeing that all chapter dues are sent to New York on time. They should be paid by November the fifteenth.

3. Two blanks, one for the use of the National Office and one for the mailing list of THE ROYAL CROSS, will be sent to each chapter before October the first.

4. The names and addresses of all members, together with the other required information, should be typed or plainly printed in ink.

5. Send these two filled-out blanks, with your dues, to your Diocesan Treasurer who will forward them to New York. Where there is no diocesan organization send direct to The Daughters of the King, Room 305, Fifth Ave., New York, N. Y.

6. Names sent in late may not receive THE ROYAL CROSS, as only enough copies are printed to supply those whose names have been received at the National Office.

7. Make all checks and money orders payable to "The Daughters of the King."

8. Registration Fees (i. e., when a new chapter is formed or a new member admitted) should always be sent direct to New York and not to the Diocesan Treasurer.

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The Message

The "Message" which was sent by the former Executive Board of the Woman's Auxiliary to the National Council of the Church, and which members of our own National Council, in conference, adopted by accepting its great challenge, expresses: First, our awareness of the uncertain financial conditions constantly fac-

ing the National Church; second, our conviction that the causes of this situation are apathy, personal luke-warmness, and failure to use the power of Christ; third, our willingness to endeavor to awaken the women of the Church; and fourth, our intention to coöperate in any plans the National Council of the Church may set forth.

At a conference, held in New Orleans, to discuss "The Message" the following findings were adopted:

"I would know the Father as did Jesus Christ when on earth, opening my eyes daily to behold Him in other people, in the beauty of earth, in the written word, in the Sacraments, and through daily communion with Him.

"I would know my Church as He knows it and dare to face where we have been untrue to her calling, joyfully accepting the service she asks of me.

"I would know myself as my Lord Jesus Christ does, and be made conscious of those things which have prevented me from being a true follower.

"I would offer myself daily to Him, my body, my mind, and my spirit in full consecration, trusting Him, with my whole life, and learning to be wholly His.

"I would follow Jesus Christ and Him only, giving proof through all contacts of my life of my conviction that He is the only way of life, striving to help those about me to understand and to use His power, and through it to accomplish His purpose in the world.

"I would be a messenger of His grace, an ambassador of God among men, a doorway through whom Christ may enter into the world."

The "Rededication," used by the women in New Orleans, and which it is hoped all women will use is:

"Realizing that only through personal dedication to Jesus Christ, our Lord, can we hope to bring to fruition our human endeavors, we rededicate ourselves to the service of our Lord Jesus Christ, to making the strength of our deeds the measure of our faith; to a sincere and simple effort in our daily living to follow with humility the example of our Saviour."

A. L. C.

Chapter List from National Office

SENIOR CHAPTERS

- 498 Immanuel Church, "Bishop Williams' Chapter," Ansonia, Conn. Reorganize! on old Charter.
677. St. Thomas' Church, "St. Cecelia's Chapter," Chicago, Ill. Duplicate Charter sent.
716. Transfiguration Church, "Transfiguration Chapter," Brooklyn, N. Y. Duplicate Charter sent.
1290. St. John the Baptist Church, "St. Elizabeth's Chapter," Brooklyn, N. Y. Transferred to St. Simon's Church.

New Chapters

1318. St. John's Church, "Bishop Armitage Chapter," Brooklyn, N. Y.
1319. Christ Church, "Isabel Winn Chapter," Rochester, N. Y. (A Junior Chapter that grew beyond the age limit.)
1320. Ascension Church, "Ascension Chapter," Cove, Oregon.
1321. Church of the Redeemer Chapter, Sarasota, Florida.

JUNIOR CHAPTERS

New Chapters

154. Christ Church, Germantown, Philadelphia, Pa.
155. Bishop Whipple Memorial Church Mission, "Bishop Whipple Memorial Chapter," Minneapolis, Minn.
156. Trinity Church, Plattsburg, N. Y.
157. Immanuel Church, "Transfiguration Chapter," Buffalo, N. Y.
158. Holy Innocents' Chapter, Houston, Texas.

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The steps of the way we know not,
But our Leader we know full well,
Our hands are in His, we fear not,
In the depths of His peace to dwell.

He knows where He leads us, we know not,
But we trust in His love each day;
Our hearts are His own, we fear not,
For the way is the Lord's highway.

—LIEUTENANT WILKINSON,

Annual Report of Our Missionary

Church General Hospital, Wuchang, China

For several years Dr. James has been training Chinese girls as pharmacists and she had graduated two before I arrived in 1922. Since then the work has gone on slowly until now we have an embryo School of Pharmacy. This is the first year we have had two separate classes, and although there are only two girls in each class we think it is a step ahead. Already another very promising girl has applied for next year's class.

These girls study as much of the science of pharmacy as we find they can assimilate, and every day they have practical training in the hospital dispensary. They also, as far as possible, help in the clinical laboratory and receive instruction in this work. The need of well-trained pharmacists in China is very great. There are so few schools here where pharmacy can be studied that in a large number of hospitals the dispensing is done by assistants with only a meagre practical training. The doctor oversees them in his or her spare moments. Nurses and doctors are being carefully trained, more or less throughout China, but pharmacists and other hospital workers have been rather neglected. This is so true that the China Medical Association has recently organized an Institute of Hospital Technology, which proposes to use hospitals already at work for the training of practical dispensers, laboratory technicians, and other hospital assistants.

According to present plans the dispensers are expected to receive six months of practical training and then to return to their respective hospitals to make use of this knowledge and to increase it by practice. We have been asked to undertake this training for girls, along with our other work. We are very glad to help in this noble cause, although the new work means a further congestion in our already over-crowded hospital compound. The pharmacy students have hitherto been living with the Chinese nurses in their beautiful new house, but this spring they had to move out to make

room for the entering class of nurses. Where to put our present four pharmacy students, and also those whom we expect next year, is no small problem.

When the new hospital building was opened in 1918, Dr. James set aside as a pharmacy laboratory a small room on the ground floor looking out on a fire-escape. It is rather too dark and public for a private patient's room, but is much needed as an adjunct to the clinical laboratory which it adjoins. Since space in the hospital is very precious we pharmacists appreciate how great a gift even this much is. When I arrived, this room, although already in use as a pharmacy laboratory, had scarcely been fixed up at all. Yet there was quite a little apparatus on hand. Gradually, with the great help of special gifts from kind friends, this room is being changed into a real laboratory. It is very small and not too well lighted, but we are very grateful for it and its equipment, far from complete though it be. We hope this year to add a few much-needed articles. It is not easy at first sight to take money which might go for a free bed for some sick child and put it into seemingly cold and uninteresting scientific apparatus. But a moment's reflection shows that it isn't so far from helping the sick child after all, for the mixers of medicine need very thorough and careful training so that they may do it well. Properly prepared medicine is quite as important as any other item in the treatment, as nearly all doctors realize!

As our drug-room is in constant use now-a-days, supplying the hospital and out-patients with medicines, it cannot be used as a classroom. Hence another place in which to teach is absolutely essential. We use the little laboratory as a study and classroom, which makes chairs and tables necessary; here, too, we distill water for the drug-room and operating-room; therefore, since our room is not quite eleven feet square, we fit in tightly at times!

Yet, though we look ahead with keen

anticipation to that happy day we dream of, when we shall have a light, roomy laboratory in a new building (and this much-needed room reverts to hospital use), we can do much good where we

are, and better as we add equipment, and we are heartily thankful for the chance to work and study in it, or anywhere!

EVA SABINE CARR, Ph.G., B.S.,
Supt. of Pharmacy Department.

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Extension Work

MRS W. J. LOARING CLARK, *Chairman*

The chairman of the committee on extension work made a series of visits to several dioceses during the month of May. She had much pleasant intercourse with the Daughters at those points visited as well as an opportunity to represent the Order, and made an endeavor to extend its influence by speaking to groups of interested men and women.

Commencing in Buffalo, N. Y., a meeting with an enthusiastic band of recently organized Juniors was held, a luncheon with leaders attended, and foundations laid for developing senior chapters. Proceeding to Rochester, N. Y., she met the several chapters in that city as well as Daughters from Palmyra. This was a notable gathering and most encouraging. It showed the Daughters at this point to be alert, well-informed, and enthusiastically engaged in the work of the Order. Your chairman also had the opportunity to confer with the president of the Woman's Auxiliary of the diocese, Mrs. Kingman Robins, and was happy to learn of the plans for carrying "The Message" through the diocese, in which good work the Daughters are coöperating.

Syracuse, N. Y., was the next stopping point. We are not very strong here. Mrs. George Ames, our first vice-president, had arranged for a luncheon with leading Churchwomen of the city. Following this, a meeting was held, attended by women representing the various Churches and amongst them representatives from our Colored Church, one of these already a Daughter, reported on her work in a very modest manner and surprised everyone by her record of the amount of work that she had accomplished. Several isolated Daughters were in attendance, residents of Syracuse. As yet no chapter has been formed there,

This condition will soon be changed, we hope. The Bishop's Chapter in the diocese is active in caring for all scattered Daughters.

Motoring from Syracuse, we went to Cortland and, at the most kind invitation of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Ames, your chairman made their hospitable home her headquarters for several days. During the time she was there she was privileged to attend the monthly corporate communion of the Daughters after which a breakfast was given and an hour of happy fellowship enjoyed. At the morning service, in lieu of the sermon, your chairman gave a talk on "Woman's Work in the Church"—not an easy thing for a woman to do who does not believe in "feminine clergy!"

Meetings and conferences were held at Utica, where the Daughters of that city and some of those from Moravia had gathered at the home of Deaconess Pell-Clark; at Greene; Norwich; Sherburne and Pulaski. At the invitation of Bishop Fiske, your chairman had the privilege of speaking to the members of the Diocesan Convention at their annual banquet at Watertown, on the aim and scope of work of the Daughters. Between three and four hundred clergy and laymen were present and an earnest effort was made to plant the seed that should germinate and grow into many chapters of our Order.

Then on to New York City for a day which was spent in conference with leaders in the Church and particularly with our new corresponding secretary, Mrs. Elizabeth C. Young.

The diocese of Pennsylvania next claimed your chairman. While there Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Arndt extended the hospitality and home-life of their beautiful

rectory to her. An address was given at the Diocesan Meeting of the Daughters, conferences were held with many clergy, and meetings addressed at Grace Church, Mt. Airy; St. James-the-less; Church of the Redemption and the Junior Chapter of Christ Church, Germantown. Conferences were held leading toward a closer coöperation with the Brotherhood of St. Andrew and the great work to be undertaken by the whole Church on Evangelism.

Our president, Mrs. A. A. Birney, came to Philadelphia for the annual meeting of the Daughters and this gave an opportunity for talking over the work of the Order with her and the treasurer, and of planning definite advance work to be submitted to the Council at their next meeting.

It was a great pleasure to dine with Mrs. Charles Pancoast and to learn of the plans made by the Woman's Auxiliary for the development of "The Message" in Pennsylvania. The Daughters will coöperate in this and Mrs. Charles H. Arndt will represent us on the committee in this diocese.

In Baltimore conferences were held with Daughters and clergy and it was a joy to hear the very excellent report

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Brief Summary of Address by Bishop Acheson

At the evening meeting of the Diocesan Assembly of Southern Virginia, the sermon delivered by the Rt. Rev. E. C. Acheson, Suffragan Bishop of Connecticut, was build around the text taken from the seventh verse of the 95th Psalm, "To-day if ye will hear His voice."

Bishop Acheson mentioned the wonderful way in which God speaks to us through nature, through our hearts, our minds, our souls; and he urged that more time be taken from our busy lives to listen to the voice of God in the world that our ears might eventually be attuned so as to recognize our Master's voice whenever and however it speaks. He carried us back to the time when Christ, walked the earth, and when those who

of Mrs. Adam Denmead as presented by her to the women of the Church in the diocese of Maryland. In North Carolina your chairman had the privilege of visiting Raleigh and Smithfield. There is need for a large development of just what our Order has to offer in this mighty state.

There is a psychological moment for everything and it does seem that the next few months are "the psychological moment" to extend our work. The Church is calling for personal work, and trained people, laymen and laywomen, are needed in this effort. No woman should be better fitted than are the Daughters of the King to respond to this call. Through Summer Conferences, with their classes that consider the fundamentals of our Faith, through Bible Study, through the study of such books as "The Will of God," Wright; "Evangelism in the Church," Schaad; "Personal Religion and the Life of Fellowship," Bishop Temple, and, above all, through earnest meditation and prayer, groups of Daughters should be more thoroughly fitting themselves to adequately respond to the call that will be made to them to be ready to testify and to do their part in drawing to Christ those women who as yet know Him not.

believed on Him then were made happy by the sound of His voice, the voice which the wind and the sea obeyed, the voice which made the blind see, and the deaf hear, and even the dead come back to life.

"The voice of Jesus still speaks in the world to-day, Bishop Acheson said, "though in a mediated manner, and it is this fact alone which keeps the world from insanity.

"We have been redeemed at a tremendous price, and I cannot but believe that the God who gave His only begotten Son to die for us, is still in the world directing its destinies, and that Jesus Christ, who loves us, speaks directly to the individual—to you and to me. And if we do not hear His voice, it is because

we do not listen; but 'To-day, if ye will hear His voice,' and respond, your soul will have begun its climb upward to God, and day by day as His voice becomes

plainer and your obedience more complete, you can say with Samuel of old, 'Speak, Lord, for Thy servant heareth.'"

M. K. F.

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Quiet Day Service

Conducted by the VERY REV. PAUL ROBERTS, Dean of St. Michael's Cathedral, Boise, Idaho

The Baptism and Temptation of Christ

We have come together for another quiet day, and I am anxious to make it as helpful to you as possible, but its real value will be within yourselves. We need quiet if we are to hear the still, small voice that speaks within the soul of each one of us, and that quiet is a spiritual thing as well as a physical. We must calm the thoughts within our minds. We must calm the many worries that fill our minds and the fears that crowd up before us. We must trust in Him, believing that He will care for us.

We must face the things that shut Him out. He will not force His way in, but He is forever patiently standing at the door of your lives trying to enter. Sin shuts and bars those doors, and we must face those sins and cast them out.

We must open the doors of our souls that we may see Him standing there and welcome Him to live with us. Then we must ask Him what He would have us do and must follow His bidding.

It will not be easy. It is a difficult thing. We must make an effort, a real effort. Like Jacob we must wrestle with our lower natures to win His blessing on us. We must try to make His Presence real within our lives and go forth in the sense of that Presence.

Every year it seems more and more difficult to stop for a moment in the rush and hurry of the world. We are like the occupants of some small boat caught by the rushing tide and blown by the wind toward the shore where we shall be dashed against the rocks. We seem helpless to stop the headlong rush that bears us on. And yet we must, that we may try to save our lives for their spiritual purposes. Let us try today to draw

closer to Him that He may dwell in us and we in Him.

I have chosen Jesus' Baptism and Temptation as the subject of our thought and meditation, not merely as an example, but also as a parable for our lives. I want you to see how it corresponds to the thing we are trying to do to-day. The Baptism and Temptation naturally go together. Whatever else that Baptism may have meant to Him, it meant this also, that for Jesus it was the time when the full realization of His great task and of His own personality in relationship to that task, came over Him. It was a moment of high inspiration. And after it was all over He came down to realization of the facts of life, and the great questions came crowding in as they will when we face life with our high visions. Can it be done? Am I the one to do it? How shall I start?

I say that it is a parable of to-day. We come first to the Holy Communion. By that act we acknowledge that we are children of God. We come to His table to receive the strength to be His children. We kneel with these others to acknowledge that we are all brothers. So real may it be that we feel that we can actually receive His life and His strength within ourselves. We catch a vision of what we may be and what we were meant to be. It is a tremendous thing to do if we understand it. It is our claim that we are His children. We are not merely children of the world but children of God, meant to live like Jesus Christ. And then we go away from the service and we wonder and question and doubt. We face the cold, hard facts of the world and we are not so sure. We see the easy excuses of others, the low standards that

are accepted, and we are not sure. The time of dryness and uncertainty follows our highest moments, as the Temptation followed the Baptism of Jesus.

The time for quiet thought should follow those high moments if we are to catch their blessings. We are apt to rush into other things and lose the inspiration. If we took time for quiet thought and prayer, we might make them a reality for us. We are apt to hurry on about other things, and they make no strong and lasting impression. That is what we may do to-day. Let us try to make the day mean that for us.

The Baptism

Jesus had been for thirty years at home. He had helped His parents eke out a scant living. He had worked beside Joseph in the carpenter shop. He had mingled with the friends and neighbors in Nazareth. He had helped His mother care for the other children. He had gone regularly to the synagogue and been thrilled with all the history of His people and had shared their expectations for the coming of the Messiah. He had gone to the feasts in Jerusalem and all His natural religious reverence and devotion had been stirred by the crowds of worshippers and the temple services. He had climbed the high hill just south of Nazareth, and had seen the caravans from Egypt or the East go by, and the shining armor of the Roman soldiers. He had gazed across that land of Palestine, with all its sacred historical places, to the shining waters of the Mediterranean. For those thirty years, He had grown a full, rounded life, physically, mentally, socially, spiritually. As with every pious Jew, there had burned in His breast the greatest hope and longing for His race, that God would save His people, that the Messiah would come. In the heart of every Jewish mother there was the secret hope that her child might be the chosen one.

Then one day came the news that stirred up again the hopes within every Jewish breast. Another prophet had arisen. For years the voice of prophecy had been silent and now all Judaism was alive with stories and rumors over the

new prophet who had appeared at the River Jordan. It was John, Jesus' cousin. These reached Nazareth, and all the hopes were reawakened in Jesus' breast. So one day He hung His tools up for the last time. He cleaned His carpenter's bench, He swept the shavings up, and started for the Jordan.

He stood among the people crowded there and listened to John. The flame within His heart flared up. He went down to be baptised, the sign of repentance and expectation. John would have stopped Him, but He insisted and in that moment the full truth and realization was borne to Him. He saw the heavens opened. He saw in vision the reality of all His dreams and hopes. It was not an idle dream. All the visions of His life were a reality. That hope for Israel and the world could be fulfilled. That heaven on earth with the reign of God supreme was true and could be a reality. He saw its glory.

He felt the spirit and power of God come down as a dove upon Him. It was God's might and power flowing into Him to give Him strength. He could not do it alone, but God was with Him, and anything was possible for Him now since all God's strength was with Him.

And finally He heard God's voice telling Him that He was His chosen Son to bring in His kingdom. What a realization! He was to be God's Messiah! He was the chosen one! The full meaning of all the years that had gone before came to Him. He saw clearly now what they had all been leading toward and what was to be their fulfillment.

That was of course supremely and perfectly true of Jesus. It is also true of every one of us. For what has all our lives been the preparation? What is the purpose of them all? Is there any end or aim to be reached? Why have we had all these abilities of body, mind and spirit given us? Surely there is some great ideal we are to help bring to realization.

In some high moments we have seen and felt it. We have a call coming to us from God out of some deep need of the world. There is not one of us but has had some such high moments, when strange thoughts and deep yearnings have

surged up within us. Surely we have all felt God's spirit strengthening us in the accomplishment of God's purpose for us and for the world.

Let us keep hold of these visions. Let us feel sure that those are our truest moments of living, that that is our true work and our real character. It is what we have been put here to do, and let us feel it in this Holy Communion. Let us catch here the vision of God's heaven of brotherhood and love. Let us feel His spirit of strength coming into our lives. Let us hear His call to be His child and give ourselves to His loving service.

If Thou Be the Son of God

As I have said, the Temptation naturally followed the Baptism. It was the time of quiet thought and prayer following His high vision. The Spirit drove Him into solitude to face this tremendous challenge. What more natural that it should begin by His doubting Himself? It is true of all of us. We underrate our possibilities. We feel we are too small for any such task. What are *we*, to do this thing? And so it came to Jesus. "If Thou be the Son of God." Was He sure of it? Could He live up to it? Was He, the simple, humble, peasant carpenter of Nazareth, the Messiah? Surely there were others far better fitted than He. Was He sure of it? How could He be sure of it? So He must have thought and felt.

How natural and normal! How completely it makes Him one with us! We all know the meaning of that doubt of ourselves and our ability to do great things. We all have met the tempter coming to us with that question. We all think too lightly of ourselves and of our possibilities. We all doubt the power of our influence. We meet the average opinion of men and they do not value us so highly. They do not seem to see in us much ability.

Besides, it will mean a life of long, hard, self-denying struggle and effort. Are we equal to it? Do we want it?

Am I God's Son? Is what this Holy Communion stands for, true for me or is it but a beautiful mirage, lovely but

unreal? Twice that question comes, once to test it for Himself by turning stones into bread, once to test it before the people by jumping from a pinnacle of the temple. But at last He has won, and the question does not come to Him before the third temptation. He is sure, and in the strength of that assurance plans His method of working out that purpose.

Again, I say let us be sure of that truth about ourselves. We are children of God. He did send us here to live His life among men and to carry on His vision. Within all our lives is a great call. Let us go forth in that realization to live our lives among our fellows.

The First Temptation

He was hungry and He was doubtful. He was weakened by His fasting, and then perhaps His resolution was at its lowest ebb. As I have said, it was first the temptation to test out for Himself that first great "If." He could see if God were standing by Him. He could find out if He could depend upon God. But it was more than that. It was also a test of the method of His works. Should He use that power for Himself, for His own advancement? If all this power were His, what a wonderful opportunity! When could He have a better cause? Surely God meant it for Him. It was His to use as He desired.

But no; He had been given this power for others. It was for their sakes that He was to sanctify Himself, and He refused.

It is one of our greatest tests in life. We all have abilities. We all have been given wonderful opportunities. Were they given to us for ourselves, our own advancement, or were they given to us for some higher purpose to share with others, to help to fulfill God's plan for the world? Have we a right to do what we will with our own? Are these things our own or are they the rich gifts God has entrusted to us? Our physical strength, our mental abilities, our money, our education. How shall we use them? How does God intend that we shall use them? Those questions cut deeply into the inmost recesses of our lives and we must answer them.

The Order of the Daughters of the King

Report given by the representative of the Order on the Commission of Coöperating Agencies at a meeting of the Commission of Coöperating Agencies at Asbury Park, February 3-4, 1926.

Aim and Purpose of the Order

"Prayer is the channel of the motor power of the Christian Church. We may multiply services, organizations, activities but the worth of them all is measured, not by the energy expended upon them, but by the spiritual power behind.

"If the daily life of every Christian were lived in the spirit and power of Christ, there would be little need for much of the institutional work of the Christian Church. Christians would be marked men and women, marked by their personality and by their service. It is life, light and power that the world is crying out for and is stretching out after, thinking to take them by force, because they have not seen them as outstanding characteristics in the lives of the Christians they meet with day by day."

"The Church endeavors to make up for this lack of personal testimony by many forms of Christian activity. There were never so many organizations as in the present day. So much is put forth and the results seem altogether inadequate. Efforts are increased, organizations are multiplied, with no great result. Is not the explanation to be found in the center of things?"

The aim and purpose of our Order is expressed in one of our prayers: "That by word and work, and good example, we may win souls to salvation, extend Thy life-giving power in the world, and promote the extension of the Kingdom of our Lord."

The Order of the Daughters of the King stands for:

Organization

1. Four hundred and fifty chapters.
2. Over six thousand, two hundred and fifty members.
3. Sixty-three chapters of Junior Daughters with a membership of five hundred and sixty.
4. Meetings:
 - (1) Regular weekly, fortnightly, or monthly meetings;
 - (2) Diocesan Assembly meetings;

- (3) Provincial meetings, at the time of the Synods;
- (4) National Council meetings;
- (5) Triennial Convention.
5. The Order is organized for work with the following committees:
 - (1) *In the National Council*—
 - a. National Day of Prayer;
 - b. The Master's Fund;
 - c. Summer Conferences;
 - d. Finance;
 - e. Literature;
 - f. Bishops' Chapters;
 - g. Manual of Prayers;
 - h. Coöperation with the Brotherhood of St. Andrew;
 - i. Junior work;
 - j. Extension work;
 - k. Publicity.
 - (2) *In Parishes*—
 - a. Visiting committee;
 - b. Altar committee;
 - c. Hospitality committee;
 - d. Other committees, as local needs demand.

Action

We seek to get, only that we may give and glorify our Father Who is in Heaven and to lead others to that triumphant joy, peace and power.

1. *Preparation*—
 - (1) Study of God's Holy Word;
 - (2) The study of the Church's Program, its needs and how to meet those needs;
 - (3) Corporate Communion on the third Sunday in each month.
2. *Prayer*: "O Lord, teach me how to pray."
 - (1) Members make a pledge to pray daily for the spread of Christ's Kingdom, especially among women; for God's blessing upon all members of the Order, and for the spiritual growth of the parish to which each member owes allegiance;
 - (2) Prayer Circles for intercessory prayer;
 - (3) Encouraging the custom of members using the Church for private prayer.

3. *Service*: All done under the direction of the rector of the parish, the Archdeacon or the Bishop.

All service done with the definite purpose of influencing some one to Christ and of quickening the spiritual life of the parish.

- (1) *In Parish*—
 - a. Responsible for the care of the altar and the training of the members of the Altar Guild.
 - b. Singing in the choir.
 - c. Teaching in the Church school and helping in its week-day activities.
 - d. Helping with a home department class.
 - e. Leading Discussion Groups.
 - f. Personal interest in strangers attending services.
 - g. Personal interest in members of Confirmation classes.
 - h. Active in distributing the Prayer Manuals and Daily Bible Readings.
 - i. Assisting in every way possible to re-establish the custom of Family Prayer.
- (2) *In the Community*—
 - a. Visiting the sick and shut-ins, being a friend to the sorrowful and those sick at heart.
 - b. Sending sunshine boxes to the convalescent and giving material assistance to those in need.
 - c. Coöperation with all phases of Church work. Especially social service, welfare and Americanization.
- (3) *In the Diocese*—
 - a. Attendance at Diocesan Assemblies.
 - b. Special program for increasing the attendance of members at Summer Conferences.
 - c. Plans under way for presenting a course of instruction in Summer Schools on "Prayer and How to Pray," "Personal Religion" and in training leaders to assist in evangelistic work.
 - d. Bishops' Chapters, composed of isolated Churchwomen members of missions in rural districts and parishes where there are no chapters. Members of these chapters

are all pledged to help in the spiritual work of the Church under the direction of the Archdeacon or the Bishop and reporting each quarter the work done.

- (4) *In the Nation*—
 - a. Thank offering given on Whitsunday and used for training young women in Deaconess Schools.
- (5) *In the World*—
 - a. Self-denial offering, presented at a special service on the Feast of the Presentation, and used for supporting two missionaries in China.
 - b. The Feast of the Presentation observed by all chapters as a day of prayer and intercession.

Result

1. Deepening the spiritual life of individual members and arousing such a quickening of their spiritual perceptions that they readily hear God's call for service and say, "Here am I, Lord, what would Thou have me to do?"
2. A more regular attendance at Sunday, Communion and Feast Day services, by members and by others influenced because of personal work done by Daughters of the King.
3. More consecrated workers in the Church school and all departments of Church work.
4. Many children and adults influenced to come to Baptism and Confirmation.
5. An increase in numbers interested in the prayer-life in the home, the parish and the community.
6. Have representation, as far as possible, in all local and community projects.
7. We aim for this result: "A Church filled with Christians who radiate light and love; who are bouyant with faith and hope in the midst of depressing conditions because of their union with the Source of Faith and Hope; who are strong in the confidence that our God can supply every kind of need that can arise; men and women marked by the spirit of quietness, joy and power, because they can sincerely echo the great Apostle's assertion, 'I can do all things through Christ who strengtheneth me.'"

ROSE J. AMES.

NEWS FROM THE PROVINCES

First Province

(PROVINCE OF NEW ENGLAND)

Mrs. George G. Hay, of Portland, Maine, has been appointed to have charge of the Bishop's Chapter which is being organized in Maine.

The members of the Bishop's Chapter in New Hampshire are hard at work and have decided to name themselves "The Bishop Parker Memorial Chapter." Bishop Parker was anxious to have this chapter organized and it is to him that we owe the idea of Bishop's Chapters.

A meeting of the Presidents of the Connecticut chapters was recently held at the Diocesan House in Hartford. It was the first gathering of this kind and more than half the presidents of the chapters were present. It was possible to discuss the problems which every one meets, and many good suggestions were made. It was really a valuable opportunity for free discussion and for closer acquaintance. It is planned to hold such meetings frequently.

A chapter has been organized recently at Immanuel Church, Ansonia, Connecticut. The members of the Altar Guild decided to become a chapter of the Daughters of the King. Many years ago the Bishop Williams Chapter was organized in this parish, but disbanded after a few years. This new chapter reorganized on the old charter, with an entirely new membership and on the thirtieth anniversary of the first organization. We wish a long and prosperous life for the new Bishop Williams Chapter.

JULIA N. McLEAN,
Provincial President.

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"God grant me faith to stand on guard,
Uncheered, unspoke, alone,
And see behind each duty hard
My service to the throne.
Whate'er my task, be this my creed:
I am on earth to fill a need."

Second Province

(PROVINCE OF NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY)

Western New York

Mrs. Loaring Clark, Chairman of Extension Work of the National Council of the Daughters of the King, was the guest of Rochester Chapters on May fourteenth.

The meeting was held in Christ Church. Assembled were all the city chapters and the Palmyra Chapter.

On the preceding day Mrs. Clark visited the new Junior Chapter at the Church of the Transfiguration, Buffalo, New York.

Mrs. Clark likes to think of the Daughters, not as an organization, but as an influence.

C. MAUD MEYER, *Secretary.*

Diocese of New York

The ninety-first Diocesan Assembly of the Daughters of the King, Diocese of New York, was held on Saturday, May 22, 1926, in St. John's Church, Larchmont, N. Y. The session opened with the Holy Communion at eleven A.M., Rev. Richard Cobden, D.D., celebrant, assisted by the Rev. Alan R. Chalmers of St. James the Less, Scarsdale, N. Y.

The Daughters received a very cordial welcome from the Rev. Richard Cobden, D.D., on behalf of the rector, the Rev. F. J. H. Coffin, who was away for a well-earned rest, but was with us in spirit and sent a telegram expressing his good wishes, which was read at the meeting.

Dr. Alan Chalmers preached an impressive sermon which could not fail to fill each Daughter with renewed reverence and zeal to serve under our emblem—His Cross.

He told of his own regard and reverence for the Order as he remembered that the first Cross he ever saw was the Cross of the Daughters of the King, on the

breast of his mother. Then when he and his wife were at an isolated missionary station out West and their first child was expected, Mrs. Chalmers came east for the care which could not be obtained at the mission station, and the first letter Dr. Chalmers received from his wife told him that the room in the hospital in which their precious little one was born was dedicated to and supported by the Daughters of the King. After the service a beautiful luncheon was served in the Bevan Hotel, and a rising vote of thanks was extended to the entertaining chapter.

The afternoon was unique in that we had our National President, Mrs. Birney, with us. The program was in itself unusual.

The meeting was opened with prayer by the Reverend Richard Cobden, D.D., Eighty-four members answered the roll call.

The serious illness of Sister Mary Kathleen, the Directress of the Chapter of St. Mary the Virgin, was reported and the prayers of the Assembly were asked for her.

After the business meeting seven ladies, each a Daughter of New York Diocese, gave a five minutes' talk, the subjects being as follows: (1) "The Quiet Day," Mrs. C. Herbert Gale; (2) "Summer Conferences," Mrs. Tudor C. Cork; (3) "Junior Work," Miss Lillie Madden; (4) "Extension Work," Miss Caroline Horsler; (5) "Coöperation with Brotherhood of St. Andrew," Miss Gertrude Meyer; (6) "The Seamen's Institute," Mrs. P. H. Rew; (7) "The 'Message' of the Women's Auxiliary to the National Council," Mrs. H. R. Ford.

Each was a splendid address and Miss Behlendorff, the retiring Diocesan President, asked each speaker to be a committee of one to especially carry her message for the spread of Christ's Kingdom. The talk on Junior Work was a rousing appeal from one of our Junior members, begging us to interest ourselves in the formation and progress of Junior Chapters. It was an experience to see a young girl of about seventeen stand and fearlessly challenge a group of some ninety

seniors, pointing out the fact that it was "up to them" to draw in the young women of their parishes. The report of the Extension Committee showed two new chapters had been formed, one in New York City and the other in Tottenville, Staten Island. Mrs. Birney then addressed the meeting and in her own quiet, convincing way, reminded us of what we stood for, what our Crosses meant, what we could and should do "For His Sake," and telling something of her visits to the different far-distant chapters.

Mrs. C. S. Wright and a delegation from Long Island were our other guests for the entire day.

The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. Herbert Gale; Vice-President, Mrs. Tudor C. Cork; Secretary, Mrs. William D. C. Holmes; Treasurer, Miss Edith K. Robins.

The meeting was closed with prayer by the Rev. M. Ackeworth, after a day which brought us much help and spiritual uplift.

MRS. SARAH D. HOLMES,
Diocesan Secretary.

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Third Province

(PROVINCE OF WASHINGTON)

Diocese of Virginia

The thirtieth Diocesan Assembly of the Daughters of the King was held Ascension Day, Thursday, May 13, at 11:00 A.M. at All Saints' Church, Richmond.

The Rev. Nelson P. Dame, missionary of the diocese, delivered the sermon, taking as his text, Numbers 7:9. Mr. Dame said it gave him great pleasure to speak to the Daughters of the King. His recollection of the Order was that it towered above all other organizations of the Church, emphasizing the spiritual rather than material side. The quoting from his text, as the sons of Kohath who were consecrated bore the burdens on their shoulders—the altars and sacred vessels of the tabernacle—so we, as Daughters of the King must bear faithfully God's burden.

A celebration of the Holy Communion followed.

Adjourning to the parish house for the business session, Mrs. W. A. Powers presided. The rector, Rev. J. Yates Downman, D.D., and the President of All Saints' Chapter welcomed the delegates to the parish. There were sixty-seven delegates and two clergymen present when roll was called. The nine chapters reported: one hundred sixty-eight members; seventeen admitted during the year; four on probation; 4090 visits to strangers, sick and shut-ins; and fifty-eight messengers. One chapter has a blessing-box and this is kept until Whitsuntide for the Master's Fund.

A discussion followed as to what was the status of an inactive Daughter—one who showed no interest, did not attend meetings, or contribute to the financial obligations of the Order. It was not thought advisable to ask for her cross with which she was consecrated at the altar, but if a Daughter is no longer interested in the work, she should voluntarily return the cross.

Mrs. Cowles of Emmanuel Chapter asked the Daughters to try to form Junior Chapters.

Prayers were said for four who were ill and letters ordered sent to two who were unable to be with us.

Mrs. Clarence G. Burton of Monumental took the chair for the election of officers, and the following were elected: President, Mrs. W. A. Powers; First Vice-President, Mrs. Edith Clark Cowles; Second Vice-President, Mrs. Alice C. Fitz; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Cabell Trueman. After repeating the motto of the Order the meeting adjourned to meet with St. Mark's Chapter in 1927.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. CABELL TRUEMAN.

Diocese of Southern Virginia

The nineteenth Diocesan Assembly of the Daughters of the King of the diocese of Southern Virginia was held in Trinity Church, Portsmouth, May 6, 1926. A "Quiet Hour" was conducted by Rev. J. E. Darling of Franklin, Virginia. Selecting "Prayer" as his subject, Mr. Darling discussed our Lord's teachings and attitude towards prayer as

related in the four Gospels, and left with us much food for thought and meditation in the following suggestions: "Silence is a great teacher of spiritual truths and should be faithfully observed to obtain an intimate knowledge of God." "Prayer is not a duty imposed by God, but a blessed privilege—the key to the door of His presence."

At the business meeting following, the Rev. Mr. Holmead, rector of Trinity, delivered the address of welcome to which the President responded on behalf of the Assembly.

Roll call of chapters showed six chapters represented by fifty-three delegates.

A most helpful message was given by our beloved National President, Mrs. A. A. Birney of Washington, for which a rising vote of thanks was given by the Assembly. No attempt has been made to quote any of this splendid paper here as a copy of the same has been sent to each chapter.

The Rt. Rev. A. C. Thomson, Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia, addressed the Assembly, his subject being "The Expression in Life of the Faith in Our Hearts."

Under new business, Christ Church Chapter, through its President, Miss Sadie Douglass, extended a cordial invitation to the Diocesan Assembly to meet with them next May and the invitation was accepted by unanimous vote.

Delegates to the Provincial Meeting to be held at the time of the Synod to be held in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, October 26 to 28, inclusive, were elected as follows: Delegate, Miss Blanche Mills; alternate, Miss Mabel Fisher; delegate, Miss Caddie Schwarzkopf; alternate, Mrs. J. E. Johnson.

Mrs. C. C. Boykin was appointed by the President to represent the Order in Southern Virginia at the 1927 Church Council.

Questions for the good of the Order were invited, and an informal discussion, led by Mrs. Birney, ensued. The use made of Advent Dues and Self-Denial Fund were explained, and in connection with the latter, Mrs. Birney stated that in the diocese of Washington, services

were held in the various chapter churches on the morning of the Feast of the Presentation, at which time the offering was collected and turned over to the respective chapter Treasurers, and on the evening of the same day, a joint service was held in one of the churches and the offering as a whole was presented.

In response to a question, Mrs. Birney stated that it would be permissible and most helpful, to have interested members of the congregation attend special meetings of the Order.

It was voted by the Assembly that the diocese adopt the method of presentation of the Self-Denial Fund used by the diocese of Washington, and that the joint service be held in the church of the Mother chapter.

These are the officers elected for the year 1926-1927: President, Mrs. C. C. Boykin; Vice-President, Mrs. S. J. Scott; Secretary, Miss Blanche Mills; Treasurer, Mrs. Robert L. Sears; Extension Secretary of the Order in the diocese of Southern Virginia, Mrs. E. P. White.

The afternoon meeting closed with the motto of the Order. The sermon following Evening Prayer at 8:00 P.M. was delivered by the Rt. Rev. E. C. Acheson, Suffragan Bishop of Connecticut, who took as his text a portion of the seventh verse of the 95th Psalm, "To-day if ye will hear His voice."

The assembly adjourned with prayer and benediction.

MAUD K. FULFORD, *Secretary*.

Diocese of Southwestern Virginia

The fourth Diocesan Assembly of the Daughters of the King in the Diocese of Southwestern Virginia met in Staunton on May 28, 1926.

The meeting was opened with a celebration of the Holy Communion with Bishop Robert C. Jett of the Diocese, celebrant.

The business session was presided over by Mrs. Harry I. Johnson, President of the Diocesan Assembly.

A most cordial address of welcome was delivered by the Rev. John J. Gravatt, Jr., rector of Trinity Church, Staunton.

A very fitting response was made by Mrs. M. A. Carpenter of Roanoke.

There was a splendid representation from each of the three chapters in the Diocese, namely, Christ Church Chapter, Roanoke; Mary Atkinson Chapter, Staunton; and, Alice Chalmers Chapter, Salem. Notable among the worthy tasks undertaken "For His Sake" is the preparation for confirmation of the deaf and blind in an institution located near one of the chapters. Several of these people have been confirmed, having been well prepared by the Daughters. Bible classes have been organized in two of the chapters, which devote half of the meeting period to Bible study.

Following the reports, there was a very interesting and informing conference led by Bishop Jett, on the extension of the Order and the power of personal evangelism—the winning of souls for Christ. He urged that we keep the idea supremely in mind that we are trying to be Christ's disciples by winning souls for Him. Other organizations in the Church are to take care of the material side, but we must make our lives shine for Christ. The purpose of our Bible study should be for the building up of our character for the sake of others. He then read the Daughters' hymn, and impressed upon us the meaning of each verse—that we may receive in order to give out to others. We ought to have the name on our list of every person we know who is lonely, sensitive, or hurt, and give them some of that beautiful filling that comes from Christ alone. We should speak for Christ's sake and keep friendship going. Have someone on our mind, and all through the year pray; while talking to a person, have a prayer on our lips, and then people will feel the power of our life. We should listen to the voice of God, and look with absolute confidence to Christ. In our chapter reports, we should keep the records of people having been spoken to on the subject of confirmation, and make them a subject of prayer.

Mrs. A. A. Birney, our National President, was good enough to come to us again this year. Her many helpful ideas and suggestions throughout the meeting

alone made her presence worthwhile, but in addition to this, she made a splendid address to the Daughters on "The Object of the Order." In a beautiful, simple manner, she developed the idea that the real object of the Daughters of the King is to give out the best that she has. The love of Jesus should always fill our hearts. The inspiration of the Order is the Holy Communion; the divine in us must be nourished by divine food. We must keep our daily lives strong by prayer and Bible reading. Evangelism should be the keynote for the coming year. "Go and tell your friends what great things have been done to you."

Following this address, the Rev. Churchill Gibson, D.D., of Lexington, conducted a very beautiful and impressive Quiet Hour service. He explained the great lessons to be derived from each season of the Church year, beginning with Advent and ending with Whitsuntide, we have our Lord's life as an example. Beginning with Whitsuntide we must apply those lessons to our lives and to others. He drew a graphic word picture of the countless number of followers of our Lord coming through the ages, led by faith, kneeling at the altar with their upheld hands to receive the spiritual blessing which our Saviour promised us.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. Harry I. Johnson; Vice-President, Mrs. W. M. Bourne; Secretary, Mrs. M. A. Carpenter; Treasurer, Mrs. F. A. Wheelwright.

MRS. HARRY I. JOHNSON, *President*.

Diocese of Washington

The thirtieth annual Council of the Daughters of the King of the Diocese of Washington was held in St. Alban's Church and parish hall on Thursday, April 29, 1926. The Quiet Hour at 10:00 A. M., was conducted by Rev. C. S. Abbot, rector of the parish of Good Shepherd. He spoke of the Will of God as expressed in nature in Christian fellowship, in our neighbors and in ourselves. The celebrant at the Holy Communion at eleven o'clock was the Rt. Rev. James E. Freeman, Bishop of the diocese. The

Bishop in his greeting to the Order stated that in visiting the various parishes he always looked for the small silver cross as he had the profoundest respect for that for which it stands as well as for those who wear it. About three hundred members of the Order made a Corporate Communion.

At 12:30 the Council was called to order by the President, Miss Ada B. Vouté. A cordial welcome was extended to those present by the rector of St. Alban's, Rev. C. T. Warner, and also by the National President, Mrs. A. A. Birney, who is a member of St. Alban's Chapter. All of the 26 chapters in the diocese were represented. Luncheon was served to all present by St. Alban's Chapter and at 2:15 the Council was again called to order and reports given by the officers. The president's report showed that three new chapters had been admitted since the last Council. Dr. George F. Dudley spoke on "A Step Towards Better Diocesan Efficiency." This was a description of the recently created Executive Council with the several departments thereunder. The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Miss Lillian Soper; First Vice-President, Mrs. Ida Myrth; second Vice-President, Mrs. A. G. Brooke; Recording Secretary, Mrs. R. K. Selden; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. C. F. Roberts; Treasurer, Mrs. Esther A. H. Arnold; Junior Directress, Mrs. Harry Harwood. Miss Soper and Miss Vouté were chosen delegates to the Synod, which will meet in Bethlehem, Pa., October 26, 27, 28. Their alternates are Mrs. Brooke and Miss Julia Dickinson.

Tea was served at 6:30 to all who wished to remain for the Evening Service, affording an opportunity for social intercourse much appreciated by all. In addition to having with us our National President, we had as guests our Provincial President, Mrs. Cabell Trueman of Richmond, Va., and Mrs. C. McLean Bingley, Secretary of the Maryland Diocese and a number of Daughters from Alexandria and Falls Church, Va.

The day closed with the Evening Service at 8 P. M. The sermon was preached by Rev. Calvert E. Buck, rector of

Christ Church, Washington parish. His text was from the nineteenth verse of the fifth chapter of St. Mark's Gospel.

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Fourth Province

(PROVINCE OF SEWANEE)

Diocese of Atlanta

The semi-annual meeting of the Diocesan Assembly of the Atlanta Daughters of the King was held at All Saints' Church on May 28. The Holy Communion was celebrated by the rector, Dr. W. W. Memminger. The quiet hour was in charge of the Rev. L. W. Blackwelder of the Incarnation parish, who took for his text, St. John 3:16, bringing out many new and inspiring thoughts on this ever beautiful passage.

The executive meeting was conducted by the President, Mrs. Frank Woodruff. Reports from the various chapters show steady interest and zeal along all lines of work, including the Home for Old Women, the Home for Incurables, the Community Home for Girls, the hospitals, the poor, the sick, the shut-in, the distressed, and the regular parish duties.

In every organization in the church, the Daughters lend quiet, steady support. The Macon chapter sent a call for recognition of an applicant for training as deaconess. The Master's Fund supports this branch of the work.

The Atlanta Daughters sponsor work at the Federal Prison. Their representative, Mr. Arthur H. Thomas, for four years has given his Sundays to help the men confined in this institution. For eight months, in the absence of a regular chaplain, he was acting chaplain. He was asked to address the Jews, and at their request spoke on Abraham.

The Daughters provide Bibles on request, also scholarships in the Moody Bible Institute. One man has completed the preliminary course, also the advanced course in Evangelism. One fact worth mentioning: of the 3,001 prisoners at the prison, 48 only are Episcopalians.

In recognition of his splendid work, Mrs. Mikell, on behalf of the Daughters, presented to Mr. Thomas a small gold

cross similar to the silver cross of the Order, at the close of the meeting following the offering of the Master's Fund, at the Church of the Incarnation.

A motion to send a representative to the National Convention at the expense of the Assembly, was carried.

With an urgent appeal that at least one Daughter attend the Summer School at Sewanee, the meeting adjourned.

MRS. O. F. KAUFFMAN, *Secretary*.

Diocese of Georgia

The Diocesan Assembly of the Daughters of the King of Georgia, held its annual meeting in St. Michael and All Angels' Church, Savannah, Monday, May 3, 1926. There was an unusually large number present.

The President, Mrs. W. A. Winburn, opened the meeting with the creed and prayers of the Order. She then gave a short talk on the work done during the year; although very good, she felt that more could be done and asked for the coöperation of each Daughter. She welcomed the new Daughters, some of whom have been transferred from other states.

The outlook is very encouraging, each chapter reporting additions to their number, and each showing a broader vision of work being done "For His Sake."

It is unfortunate that we are not more in touch with the Good Shepherd Chapter in Augusta. The reports from this chapter are wonderful. We have a delegate occasionally and we are so glad to hear of their work, and often use their plans for new work in our chapters.

The number of chapters in our diocese does not increase, in spite of continued effort on the part of the four chapters. We have tried to organize Bishop's Chapters in small parishes. We have not given up the hope that our prayers will be answered and that in a short time there will be at least one chapter in each parish.

The annual election of officers resulted in the reelection of those in office.

After discussing various plans for greater usefulness in which the greatest interest was shown, the meeting adjourned.

At 8:15 P.M. there was a short service conducted by the Rev. Herbert Woodward, acting rector of St. Michael and All Angels' Church. He gave a helpful and inspiring talk to the Daughters and ended by paying a beautiful tribute to the Order—its spiritual significance and its far-reaching influence—two facts which a true Daughter should never lose sight of in serving the Master.

HARRIET M. TEW,
Secretary-Treasurer.

Diocese of Florida

May 10, 1926, at 9:30 A.M. eighteen members of the Daughters of the King met at St. John's Church, Tallahassee, to receive the Corporate Communion. The Rt. Rev. Frank A. Juhan, D.D., Bishop of Florida, was celebrant.

Bishop Juhan gave a cordial welcome to us as one of the organizations of the Church, and Rev. Mr. Alfriend, rector of St. John's, Tallahassee, welcomed us to the parish. Rev. Charles W. Frazer preached a most fitting sermon, admonishing the members of the work in the parishes.

The offering amounted to eleven dollars eighty-five cents.

Adjourning to the guild hall, the President called the meeting to order. To roll call six chapters responded. The delegates with the visitors present made the number twenty-one.

Following reports of officers and chapters, the President gave her usual address, giving in her loving, gentle way, suggestions for our work "For His Sake."

Mrs. Underwood's report as triennial delegate was most complete, making the members feel as if they had been present, and a rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Underwood for the message she had so clearly brought to the Assembly.

Bishop Juhan addressed the meeting, expressing his interest in the work and in hearing the reports and his appreciation of the work done in the diocese. He stated that he approved of the formation of a Bishop's Chapter in the diocese, and later would make plans for its formation.

All joined with the Bishop in noonday prayer.

Following a recess taken until half past two o'clock, the Assembly reconvened with fifteen members, Bishop Juhan, and the Rev. G. H. Harrison present. The plans for reports as sent in by Miss Somerville were presented. The decision reached was that diocesan reports be sent in full and that provincial and triennial reports be condensed. The following resolution by Miss London was adopted: "Resolved, That Miss Somerville's suggestion as to poster form for Florida reports, provincial and triennial, be adopted."

The full report of the Council meeting read by Mrs. Humphreys was more than appreciated and the members feel grateful that Florida still has a Council Member who can give to the Assembly, reports at first hand. A rising vote of thanks was extended Mrs. Humphreys for the report.

The President appointed Mrs. Hendree Harrison and Miss London as Committee on Courtesy. Bishop Juhan expressed the wish that elections be held in future for the officers of the organization. Rev. G. H. Harrison offered prayers for guidance before the election was held. The result is as follows: President, Mrs. John G. Ruge; Vice-President, Miss Margaret K. Somerville; Secretary, Miss Marjory J. Yonge; Treasurer, Mrs. A. W. Underwood. Mrs. Annie C. Jones who has been President for eighteen years was made an Honorary President of the Assembly. Miss London offered words of appreciation for the work of the officers of the Assembly.

Miss Orr, Chairman of Committee on Bishop's Chapter, gave her report.

Mrs. Annie C. Jones was elected delegate to the Provincial Meeting to be held in Jacksonville, November 16, 1926. Miss Orr was elected alternate.

Mrs. Underwood asked that Mrs. Humphreys give some enlightenment on the appropriation of money for the Order. It was explained that the National Council of the Church could make no appropriation for the Order this year; that

Diocese of Dallas

Address of Diocesan President, Dallas, Texas

I have finished five years as your Diocesan President. The time has passed very quickly and happily for me and I hope profitably for the Order.

Many changes have taken place in these years. Our growth has not been what I would have had it but I am not discouraged for I am and have always been convinced that the *strength* of our Order of the Daughters of the King, is not measured by *numbers* but by the quiet, unassuming band of women who are keeping the two rules of *Prayer* and *Service*—and by *Service* I mean, giving of ourselves, really serving in lowly paths as well as in the high roads where all men may see that we serve.

That is not the place where we get the joy of service, is it?

I was thinking the other day of our lives in respect to the giving of ourselves, as in comparison to a lovely clear mountain stream, that I know about. It receives its supply from fresh cool mountain springs and as it overflows and overflows, and gives of itself to nourish the towns and villages below, it makes its own self clearer and purer, by always making room within its own self to take in more and more of fresh living waters; and then I thought of that vast body of water in another land, which we call the Dead Sea—and why is it a "dead sea"?—because it takes and takes in, and never gives, and so becomes so stagnant and salty, that any life cast into it must die for the want of life-giving, pure water, and I thought how like our lives these two bodies of water are.

As long as we give of ourselves, the Master renews our powers; but when we simply absorb and never give, we, too, become salt and not a help in God's great plan for humanity; therefore, I would make an appeal for you to insist upon your chapter meetings being concerned principally with the way you may grow spiritually strong and may help your parish in a spiritual way, because we do realize that when we meet and discuss "finances" the higher things are crowded out.

Let us make it known in our parishes that we are not a money-raising machine

appropriations for other cooperating agencies of the Church were of necessity reduced; that a statement covering this was made by the National Council of the Church in effect as follows: that failure to make an appropriation for the Order was in no way a reflection as to the value of the Order to the Church, but that it was not included in the budget of 1926 "because it is self-supporting."

The Bishop made announcement of the evening meeting for Tuesday, it being his wish that there be a banquet annually at the meeting of the Diocesan Council.

With closing prayers and the Daughters' hymn, the eighteenth Diocesan Assembly adjourned, *sine die*.

MRS. J. M. JONES, *President*.
(MRS. JOHN G.) FANNIE F. RUGE, *Secretary*.

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Seventh Province

(PROVINCE OF THE SOUTHWEST)

Diocese of Arkansas

Jule Stillman Chapter, St. John's Parish, Fort Smith, Arkansas, does much work at the County Hospital and Bear Memorial Tuberculosis Hospital, and many services "For His Sake" are rendered in these two institutions.

Recently a young girl of sixteen, who has spent the greater part of her life in the County Hospital, was taken by a member to her home for a week-end visit. A trip through the stores to see the Christmas displays, an automobile ride into Oklahoma and to Church service were joys of the visit. It was her first visit into a home and first attendance at Church service in the church.

Another recent service "in His Name and For His Sake" was the fulfillment of a promise made an old man inmate, who had requested that he have a Christian burial and not be laid in the pauper's field. He was buried according to his wishes expressed to members of the chapter, the rector of the parish conducting the service and members of the choir rendering beautiful music.

ROSINA TODD.

but that we stand ready to assist the rector and vestry in any way they direct toward the strengthening of the spiritual life of our parishes. Then we will be a help to the parish and to our own corporate life.

Our National President, in her address to the delegates assembled in New Orleans, said very forcefully: "It is for the Order of the Daughters of the King to make themselves absolutely indispensable to the life of the Church, and the way to do this is to strive more than ever to make active and effective in our lives, the two great principles for which our Order stands. We must hold our standard high and try to be an influence in the Church."

In our praying let us feel there is power in our prayers. If they are offered in the right spirit, we can help our Master in this quiet way, for you know—

"The weary one had rest, the sad had joy that day,

And wondered how!

A plowman, singing at his work, had prayed,
'Lord, help them now.'

"Away in foreign lands they wondered how
Their feeble words had power;

At home the Christians, two or three, had met
To pray an hour.

"Yes, we are wondering, wondering how,
Because we do not see,

Some one unknown, perhaps, and far away
On bended knee."

I feel I must take time to express my appreciation of the hearty coöperation of our chaplain and officers of the Diocesan Assembly and to the individual members upon whom I have called for certain assistance through the year.

Let us again pledge our faithful attendance upon whatever duty we are entrusted with for this coming year, and then when all is done, may we be worthy to hear these words: "Well done, thou faithful servant, enter into the joy of thy Lord."

MRS. H. E. McCURRY, *President*.

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Oh, make us worthy, God, we pray,
To do Thy service here to-day;
Endow us with the strength we need
For every sacrificial deed!

—EDGAR A. GUEST.

Eighth Province

(PROVINCE OF THE PACIFIC)

St. Michael's Chapter, Boise, Idaho

On Ash Wednesday, the Daughters of St. Michael's Chapter of St. Michael's Cathedral, Boise, Idaho, were sponsors for a "Quiet Day." The dean of the Cathedral, the Very Rev. Paul Roberts, conducted the services, which were inspiring and helpful, and an excellent beginning for the Lenten season, turning people's thoughts toward spiritual things.

All of the women of the parish were invited to attend.

The services began with the Holy Communion at 10:15 A.M., during which the dean gave his opening remarks.

After the noon-day prayers, the Daughters were hostesses at luncheon served in the parish house. About fifty people were served. Immediately preceding and during luncheon, hymns were played on the Cathedral chimes.

The central theme for the day was the Baptism and Temptation of Christ. A few of the dean's remarks are sent with the hope that they may be as helpful to others as they were to us.

The services closed with prayer at 4:00 o'clock P.M., ending a day of stillness and calm, and giving us for our Lenten thought a realization of the living and breathing presence of Christ.

MRS. C. K. MACEY, *President*.

Diocese of California

The Daughters of the King of the Diocese of California had an unusual happening in January, 1926, when the members were honored by a visit from the National President, Mrs. A. A. Birney of Washington, D. C. As it is the first time this diocese has had the pleasure of greeting the President of the Order, it was their pleasure as well as duty to make her visit enjoyable in every way. In order that every Daughter of the King in this diocese might have an opportunity to meet Mrs. Birney, a reception was given her under the auspices of Grace Church Cathedral Chapter, San Francisco. The Daughters turned out in goodly numbers,

notwithstanding the threatened storm, coming from Berkeley, Alameda, Fruitvale, Burlingame, San Mateo, besides many from the chapters in San Francisco. Mrs. Birney received with Mrs. S. L. Abbot, diocesan president, whose guest Mrs. Birney was during her stay in San Francisco. The Rt. Rev. Edward Lambe Parsons, Bishop of the diocese, made the speech of welcome and Mrs. Edward C. Holmes, president of the House of Churchwomen, responded. The Rev. J. Wilmer Gresham, dean of the Cathedral, announced the program.

On Saturday morning, the day of the re-consecration service, Grace Cathedral Chapel was well filled. Bishop Parsons made a remarkable talk to the Daughters. He took the words on the cross, the emblem of the Order, as the keynote of his address and emphasized "Magnanimity." He urged the Daughters to put aside all littleness, to make greater efforts, and to forget self and be just and generous "For His Sake." The Eucharist was then offered, Dean Gresham being celebrant. Despite the storm, there was a good attendance, and with bowed heads and reverent attitude the solemn vows were repeated.

At the close of the service, luncheon was served at the Divinity school.

At the afternoon meeting Mrs. Birney made a stirring address. Mrs. Birney has that magnetic quality called "charm," and has a gracious, pleasing personality. She was made to feel that she was in the midst of friends, and those who had the great pleasure of meeting her felt at ease and as though they had known her always. The meeting resolved itself into a questionnaire, Mrs. Birney being literally bombarded with questions which she answered succinctly and satisfactorily. She was never at a loss for an answer, and one and all felt that it was a family group. It is the first time that the Daughters of the King have had a National President with them, and the sweet, gracious little woman won all hearts. We are sure she carried away with her to Washington a better idea of the Diocesan Assembly of California and she knows the needs and status of this seemingly far-

away land. All are her friends and she is the warm friend of us all out here.

Mrs. Birney was present at the joint meeting of the Daughters of the King and the Brotherhood of St. Andrew on Sunday afternoon, January 31, at the Cathedral. She was honor guest at the dinner given at the Commercial Club on Monday evening, February 1, and was a speaker at the officers' table that evening. She visited St. Margaret's House in Berkeley and she was to have had a motor car ride on Tuesday but the skies proved unpropitious and she did not have the opportunity to see the magnitude and the seventy-seven hills of San Francisco. She left that afternoon and our prayers followed her on her journey.

MRS. W. C. MORROW, *Secretary*.

Diocese of Olympia

The Daughters of the King of the Diocese of Olympia gathered for the forty-second Diocesan Assembly, on January 9, 1926, at the Church of the Epiphany, Seattle, Washington. A devotional service, conducted by Rev. F. R. Bateman, priest in charge, was followed by dinner served in the assembly room downstairs by the Junior Daughters.

This first meeting of the year is always a business meeting, comprising election of officers and reports of the year's work of the individual chapters. Some very interesting reports were heard at this time, setting forth the work of the Daughters in the diocese. They included such things as: Bible study; Church school work; choir; visiting and carrying flowers to the sick and shut-ins; welcoming strangers at Church services; care of Altar and vestments; securing candidates for confirmation; making palm crosses; visiting Florence Crittenden Home; layettes for Theodora Home; Thanksgiving baskets and gifts; Christmas toys and baskets to the poor; and the many other duties that come within the scope of the Daughters' work.

Two chapters reported the receipt of gifts of money from outsiders, which aided them materially in their work. Report was also heard from the Junior

Daughters, who probably will send a separate report.

Mrs. Sidney Morgan, president of the Eighth Province, gave a brief outline of the Convention at New Orleans, which she attended, as it pertained to the Daughters. Mrs. Morgan was reelected to the National Council and was also elected Chairman of the Resolutions Committee of the Daughters of the King at the Convention.

Motion was made, seconded and carried that Deaconess Ridgely in China be remembered by the Assembly at Easter time, and that we also send cards to our own members who were ill at the time.

The Daughters of the diocese were asked to keep in mind the Quiet Day to be observed Saturday, February 20, at Trinity Parish Church, Seattle, Washington, and to give it their loyal support as far as they were able.

The following members were elected to serve for the ensuing year: President, Mrs. C. S. Morrison, 1618 37th Avenue, Seattle, Washington; Vice-President, Mrs. E. C. Power, Tacoma, Washington; Secretary, Miss Velma M. Spencer, 346 West 52nd St., Seattle, Washington; Treasurer, Miss Margaret Bliss, 4302 12th Avenue N. E., Seattle, Washington.

We are trusting that 1926 will be an even better year under the leadership of our Bishop, Rt. Rev. S. Arthur Huston, whom we stand ready to serve in the Diocese of Olympia, "For His Sake."

VELMA M. SPENCER, *Secretary*.

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Laughter

Laughter sheds perfume; life is made more fair
When sounds of mirth lend fragrance to the
day;

The fogs of fear are quickly chased away
With laughter's music ringing in the air.
A merry laugh is full of golden gleams,
Driving the shadows out; a thousand harms
Are kept at bay by laughter's subtle charms,
Pouring through life in purifying streams.

—Selected.

You can't depend upon your eyes when
your imagination is out of focus.—MARK
TWAIN.

Brief Summary of an Address Given at Diocesan Assem- bly of Southern Virginia

The Rt. Rev. A. C. Thomson, Bishop Coadjutor of Southern Virginia, addressed the Diocesan Assembly, his subject being "The Expression in Life of the Faith in Our Hearts." "Running through the hymn of our Order," he reminded us, "is a remarkable parallel between that which through faith we ask God to do and the hoped-for expression in our lives as a result of God's answer." He mentioned particularly the verse beginning, "O, teach me, Lord, that I may teach"...and he carried us back to the days of the apostles whom Christ himself taught that they might teach others, and so on down through the ages His Apostles have been taught through His Word, His Church, through prayer and meditation, in order that they, too, might teach. He said, "The Daughters of the King could find no more effective means of expressing the faith in their hearts than by teaching Christ in the Church school or elsewhere," adding, however, that as teaching is "the fruitage of study," one must first familiarize herself with the story before she can impart it to others; therefore, a thorough knowledge of the Bible—its principles, truths, and purposes—should be the aim of every true teacher. A faithful use and study of the Prayer Book will not only add to this knowledge, but will also instill in our hearts a loyalty and love for our Church and its teachings. And, in conclusion, he urged that we ever remember that our spiritual privileges—our Bible, our Prayer Book, our Church—are all given that we might reach forth a hand in the name of Jesus Christ and express our love and gratitude to Him through service to others.

MAUD K. FULFORD, *Secretary*.

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The whole meaning of the Incarnation surely is that God cares more for one human soul than for all the planets in the universe.—*The Palm Branch*.

In Memoriam

Miss Mabel Buckmaster

On April 7, 1926, after a long illness, Miss Mabel Buckmaster passed into her eternal rest.

In her death, Trinity Chapter, Mount Vernon, New York, has lost a much beloved Daughter. She served her chapter well, for many years as a zealous and untiring worker and then as Directress of the chapter. Her heart was always in the service of the Master. Earnest, faithful, and loyal, she was a true Daughter of the King.

We rejoice that her suffering is ended and that she rests in her Heavenly Father's love.

TRINITY CHAPTER,
DAUGHTERS OF THE KING,
Mount Vernon, New York.

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Miss Marion Laird

It is with deep sadness St. John's Chapter, Waterbury, Connecticut, records the death of their Secretary, Miss Marion Laird, who was called from her earthly labors on April 15, 1926, after a long and painful illness. She has been a faithful worker, a true Daughter, and was loved by all. We miss her, but we know that her suffering is ended and she rests in her Saviour's redeeming love.

AMELIA E. BAILEY, *Assistant Secretary*.

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Henrietta M. Whidden Smedley

Again Trinity Chapter of the Daughters of the King is mourning the loss of a charter member, Mrs. Henrietta M. Whidden Smedley.

Mrs. Smedley fell asleep on the morning of May 26, 1926. After a long illness patiently borne, her loving, Christian spirit is at rest. May she awake in the presence of the loving Saviour.

TRINITY CHAPTER, *Hewlett, Long Island,*

Miss Anna B. Millard

Miss Anna B. Millard, a charter member of St. Margaret's Chapter, Riverhead, New York, passed away suddenly on March 24, in Brooklyn, New York. She was a devoted Churchwoman, and we shall miss her as a Daughter and as a friend.

ST. MARGARET'S CHAPTER,
Riverhead, New York.

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Miss Mary Jane Shelton

At her home in Little Rock, Arkansas, on April 28, 1926, Miss Mary Jane Shelton entered into eternal rest. She was a faithful, loyal member of Advent Chapter, Christ Church, Little Rock.

Through a life of toil and sacrifice her cheerfulness and ready willingness to serve others marked her Christian character.

May her soul rest in peace and light perpetual shine upon her.

BESSIE P. BOHLINGER.

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Medora DuVal Morrison

Friday, January 15, 1926, in Fort Smith, Arkansas, Medora DuVal Morrison, a faithful member of Jule Stillman Chapter, was called to life eternal.

Mrs. Morrison was a member of Jule Stillman Chapter for more than twenty years and, in that time, was faithful always in the work of the Master. Her last service was a month's Altar service, completed only a day or two before her passing.

A husband has lost a loving wife, a sister a devoted companion, and the Daughters of the King a loyal and faithful worker. To her husband and family our deepest sympathy is extended.

JULE STILLMAN CHAPTER,
Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Mary Haddon Owens

Entered into life eternal, March 10, 1926, at the home of her son in Wilmington, Delaware, Mary Haddon Owens, a devoted member of Christ Church Chapter, Daughters of the King, Savannah, Georgia.

For several years, on account of ill health, she had been unable to take any active part in the work or attend the meetings, but she kept in touch with, and continued to take a deep interest in, all that was done, remaining a faithful Daughter to the close of a long and useful life.

"And so He giveth His beloved sleep."

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Mrs. Elizabeth Crump Dorster

On December 9, 1926, Grace Church Chapter of Memphis, Tennessee, suffered the loss of one of its most valued members, Mrs. Elizabeth Crump Dorster. Mrs. Dorster's work as a Daughter of the King began eighteen years ago when the first local chapter was formed at Calvary Church. Though she is with us no more in the flesh, her gentle spirit hovers over us and urges us to do the Master's work in His way—not for the praise of man, but for the glory of God.

May she rest in peace and light perpetual shine upon her.

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Miss Elizabeth Cook

WHEREAS, God in His infinite wisdom, has called from her earthly labors to a sphere of greater activity, our beloved friend and leader, Miss Elizabeth Cook, who passed on, February 11, 1926, and

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A Word of Cheer

If we could know beyond today,
As God doth know,
Why dearest treasures pass away,
And tears must flow;
And why the darkness leads to light,
Why dreary paths will soon be bright!
Some day life's wrongs will be made right,
Faith tells us so.

WHEREAS, We shall miss her wise guidance, her wonderful personality, and her steady zeal in all service for the Master, therefore be it

Resolved, That we, Grace Church Chapter, wish to express our own grief at her loss and our sincere sympathy to her loved ones in their bereavement. Her beautiful life of self-sacrifice and kindly deeds will ever be an inspiration to us. And be it further

Resolved, That these resolutions be placed on the minutes of the chapter and a copy sent to the family of Miss Cook.

LULA PENNINGTON ADAIR, *Secretary*.

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Edith Evans

Edith Evans, a consecrated Christian, a faithful Daughter, a true friend, was called to Paradise, September 16, 1925. She was a member of St. Paul's Chapter, San Diego, California.

"Through time's confusion and its startling
fleetness,
In Thee, O Lord, we find our heart's completeness,
In Thee, life's only long-uncloying sweetness,
As comes Thy love to ease us,
Precious Lord Jesus."

She has found her heart's completeness and her sufferings are eased. May light perpetual shine upon her.

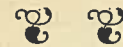
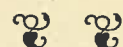
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Elizabeth R. Croger

Entered into eternal rest, November 21, 1925, Elizabeth R. Croger, aged 94, member of St. Paul's Chapter, San Diego, California. For many years she was an invalid, but she bore with true Christian fortitude her physical infirmities. May her soul rest in peace.

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If we could see! If we could know!
We often say;
But God in love a veil doth throw
Across our way.
We cannot see what lies before,
And so we cling to Him the more.
He leads us till this life is o'er.
Trust and obey. —UNKNOWN.

**JUNIOR PAGE****EDITORIAL****INCREASED INTEREST**

The increase in interest manifested by Juniors is encouraging. Once you fully realize that you have a Junior Edition which is your very own and for which you are responsible, you may contribute so we shall need to ask for a larger edition! You have furnished articles for an interesting, helpful edition this quarter. Do you not think so? And incidentally you have made the editor quite happy by your response to her call and to that of the Junior Chairman in her circular letter.

If there are any Junior Chapters who read this who have not received or seen a copy of this circular letter from Mrs. Leigh, it is hoped they will send for copies.

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Diocese of Washington

The following is taken from an interesting letter from the President of the Junior Daughters in the Diocese of Washington, Miss Mary R. Kurtz:

"In February a rector of a new church asked me to be present at a gathering of young people to talk about the Juniors. I was glad to do so, but found most of them were too old for Juniors and they thought themselves too young for Seniors. I told them of my own chapter and when they had their banquet, I took two young Seniors with me, and am enclosing the paper read by one of them.

"Here in Washington, we have had the Junior Daughters twenty-one years, and I myself, have had a chapter in St. John's, Georgetown, for that length of time. I am just completing the eighth year as

MID-SUMMER SERVICE

A word as to our summer vacation. It seems that we have far happier summers than those who do not do special work "For His Sake." This is the happiness that helps develop those finer qualities so desirable in the womanhood of tomorrow.

Whether meetings are discontinued for the summer months or not, whether we are away from home all or part of the summer or not, we who have come very close to the Master through prayer and service, know that He is just as near us, cares just as much for us, and rejoices just as much at our watching for and grasping opportunities to reach the girl or woman who comes our way, whether we are at the seashore, at the mountains, or at home.

Directress of the Junior Daughters of Washington.

"In my own chapter we have advanced four sets of girls to Senior Chapters. Last January five girls became Seniors, one of whom has written this paper. It has been our custom, when the girls get to be seventeen, for one of them to go through the Sunday school and form a Junior class, which one of them trains for a year. Then, on the day they go into the Seniors, these children are made Juniors. In this way, we always keep up the Junior work.

"I have found that most of the young girls dislike to go into an older Senior Chapter because they fear they will not be able to work out their own ideas as they did as Juniors. I hope this will tell you what you wish to know as to how we do."

Diocese of Olympia

St. Anne's Chapter, Everett, Washington

Our St. Anne's Chapter has had about ten active members each year since its organization about four years ago. Our difficulty at first was to get the girls to be interested in any one thing, but after two years of drifting along we found that new work every few weeks was appreciated. Often the girls do not know what they are to do until they arrive. We meet on alternate Thursday evenings.

This last year (September, 1925, to June, 1926) two of the Junior Daughters have been in the parish house each Sunday morning to care for children while their parents attend the late service. Each Sunday there is a new girl with one of the preceding Sunday's two, so they know just what is being done. This work has pleased them very greatly, even when they have it directly following a class of the Church school.

Another of their responsibilities is the mending from time to time the vestments for the children's choir. This takes two or three evenings a year.

A year ago they dressed a doll with complete sets of vestments (both priests

and bishops), and finally sent the doll with other gifts to a mission in California. The rector wrote that the doll was being used to teach the Indians and was a great help. So this year we made a number of other dolls, sending them at Christmas to a Church Hospital for Indian children. The cordial letters of thanks in both cases aroused their interest in the work of the Church in general, so they spent their last three evenings most happily in studying the Religious Orders—the qualifications, convent life, work of the different Sisters, and then planning how they can help next year.

Girls not regular teachers in the Church school are ready to substitute, each for one special teacher, even if they are not notified before class time. They help the regular teachers by sitting with their classes during the part of the service held in the church.

Odd jobs fall to our girls as to all Junior Daughters. Altogether we have had a profitable year.

GLADYS J. CHAPPELLE, *Directress.*



Suggestions for Juniors

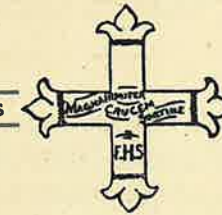
From a recent letter of a Junior leader we cull the following helpful suggestions: "My own chapter was the outgrowth of a Church school class. We continued to meet each morning during the session of the Church school and began by studying Church architecture and furnishings—the seasons—Church symbols and colors—chancel furnishings—altar hangings and linens—silvers and symbols. They answered roll call with books of the Bible (until all knew them), then with the Nicene Creed, and afterwards with verses of Scripture. They commenced service on the altar committee, always with a Senior Daughter, of course. Then they began hospital calls. We now meet twice a month. One is a business meeting and the other a working meeting, when we visit either city, county or other hospital.

"They make and pin on palm crosses on Palm Sunday; do errands for shut-ins; prepare and deliver boxes at Thanksgiving and at Christmas. During last Lent half of the girls, the younger ones, made scrap books for the children's wards in the hospitals and the older ones sewed all day each Wednesday during Lent for a poor family. This year they have confined their activities to assisting two young girls in our Church Mountain School.

"They observe the third Sunday in the month at 7:30 A.M., the regularly appointed time for the Corporate Communion of Daughters everywhere. There is a feeling of inspiration in knowing that the same service is being observed at the same time by all Daughters of the King everywhere. In this service lies their real strength."

The Royal Cross

FOR HIS SAKE



Church Calendar

"O, live ye by the Calendar."

NOVEMBER

1. Monday. All Saints.
7. Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity.
14. Twenty-fourth Sunday after Trinity.
21. Sunday next before Advent.
25. Thursday. Thanksgiving Day.
28. First Sunday in Advent.
30. Tuesday. St. Andrew.

DECEMBER

1. Wednesday.
5. Second Sunday in Advent.
12. Third Sunday in Advent.
- 15, 17, 18. Ember Days.
19. Fourth Sunday in Advent.
21. Tuesday. St. Thomas.
25. Saturday. Christmas Day.
26. Sunday after Christmas. St. Stephen.
27. Monday. St. John, Evangelist.
28. Tuesday. Holy Innocents.
31. Friday. New Year's Eve.

JANUARY

1. Saturday. Circumcision. New Year's Day.
2. Second Sunday after Christmas.
6. Thursday. Epiphany.
9. First Sunday after Epiphany.
16. Second Sunday after Epiphany.
23. Third Sunday after Epiphany.
25. Tuesday. Conversion of St. Paul.
30. Fourth Sunday after Epiphany.
31. Monday.