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CALENDAR

- February 1—Septuagesima Sunday
- February 2—Purification B. V. M.
- February 8—Sexagesima Sunday
- February 15—Quinquagesima Sunday
- February 18—Ash Wednesday
- February 22—1st Sunday in Lent
- February 24—S. Matthias
- February 25—Ember Day
- February 27—Ember Day
- February 28—Ember Day
- March 1—2nd Sunday in Lent
- March 8—3rd Sunday in Lent

THE INCOMPARABLE CHRIST

"Though He was rich, yet for your sakes He became poor."—2 Corinthians 8:9.

In infancy He startled a King; in boyhood He puzzled the doctors; in manhood He walked upon the billows and hushed the sea to sleep. He healed the multitudes without medicine and made no charge for His services. He never wrote a book, yet all the libraries of the country could not hold the books that could be written about Him. He never wrote a song, yet He has furnished the theme of more songs than all song-writers combined. He never founded a college, yet all the schools together cannot boast of as many students as He has. Great men have come and gone, yet He lives on. Death could not destroy Him, the grave could not hold Him. He laid aside His purple robe for a peasant's gown. He was rich, yet for our sake He became poor. How poor? Ask Mary! Ask the Wise Men! He slept in another's manger. He cruised the lake in another's boat. He rode on another man's ass. He was buried in another man's tomb. All failed, but He never. The ever Perfect One, He is the Chief among ten thousand. He is altogether lovely.—*The Witness*.
—By courtesy of *The Indian Christian*. Author unknown.

THE SHINGLE HOSPITAL MANAGERS IN ANNUAL MEETING

January 8th was the birthday of Robert W. Shingle, Jr., and the 11th anniversary of the Hospital on Molokai founded by his parents in his memory. Every year on that day, until this year, the Board of Managers has met at Hoolehua and has participated in an island-wide celebration of the hospital's service. War conditions, which seriously interrupted communication with the Hospital from Honolulu, made it impossible for the officers of the Board to travel to Molokai. The annual meeting therefore was held in Honolulu.

The events started with a memorial Celebration of the Holy Communion in the Cathedral with the Bishop as celebrant, and 20 persons attending, half of whom were members of the Shingle and Amalu families. The business meeting followed. The finances, although not completely in the clear, are in excellent condition, as are also the buildings and grounds.

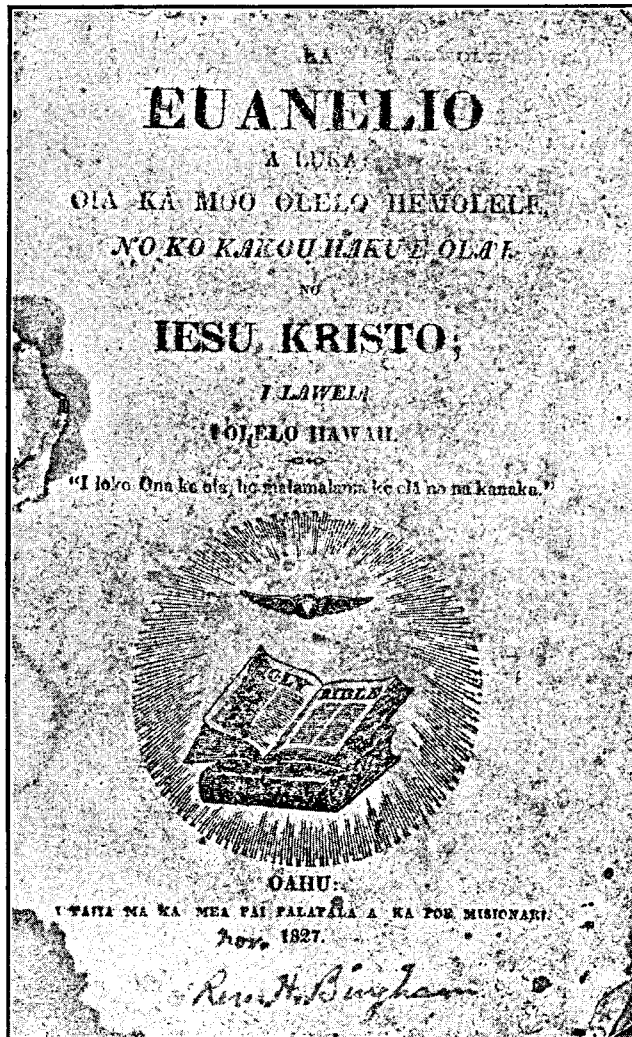
The report of Mrs. Shaw's steady return to her usual good state of health, after her serious operation, was received with deep thankfulness. The hospital increases in essential health service and effectiveness to the larger part of the

island of Molokai. The staff has carried on faithfully through the serious illness of two of the registered nurses, and under the limitations of restrictions in certain needed food supplies.

Festivities were not lacking, for after the meeting the Managers and their families, to the number of 16, were entertained at a lavish luncheon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter R. Coombs. At the Hospital itself, the usual Open House for the island communities naturally could not be held, but the day was suitably observed within the grounds of this growing medical center.

BISHOP WILNER ORDAINS IGOROT PRIESTS IN THE PHILIPPINES

Two services of historic significance have been held in Sagada and Bontoc, when the Rt. Rev. Robert F. Wilner, Suffragan Bishop, ordained three deacons, the Reverends Raymond Abbitt, Edward Longid and Albert Masferre, to the Sacred Priesthood. The services marked the first time that any Igorots have reached the dignity of the priesthood. Both Messrs. Longid and Masferre have been trained for their new responsibilities over a long period of time, having served as student catechists, graduate catechists, and finally deacons for more than ten years.



ORIGINAL CUT OF THE TITLE-PAGE OF THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. LUKE, as translated into the Hawaiian Language and printed in 1827 by early New England Missionaries.

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An Open Letter To Lieutenant General Delos C. Emmons, Military Governor of Hawaii

Last month we published a splendid Open Letter which the Commanding General of the United States Army in Hawaii, General Emmons, issued to the people of the Territory.

On January 15th, the Bishop sent to the Military Governor the following communication:

"Dear Gen. Emmons:

The cooperation of civilian communities in the Territory with the Army is a cause of real gratification to us all. That the seriousness of the situation is realized is evident by the excellent standard of morale which obtains here. That the two elements, namely civilian and military with naval, are joined in war operations in general, and in defense in particular, is obvious and necessary. Both are essential, and we civilians have our place of great importance in the partnership.

However, for all practical purposes Hawaii is a military fortress. The civilian and military elements of our population are closely, I might say inseparably, intertwined. There are military posts within the city limits as well as within close reach of Honolulu. Therefore it seems to me that regulations which affect army and navy personnel cannot be different from those which affect civilians in certain vital respects.

I select for special mention the ban on the sale of alcoholic liquors. You yourself, if press notices are correct, have stated publicly that General Short's action prohibiting such sale was wise. That conditions and reasons which led to such action on the Commanding General's part a month ago still hold with equal validity, seems to me as a civilian, convincing. That the enactment of the ban has been effective cannot be gainsaid.

"AN ALL-TIME LOW" IN MISDEMEANORS

The press reported from your conference with pressmen last week, that you commended the fact that only two arrests for drunkenness had been made during the weekend. The Police Department reported that only one such arrest was made on New Year's Eve. Such a record is amazing, and I wonder whether such has been recorded in recent years in any community of our size. We are told that the number of persons apprehended for misdemeanors during the month of December was an "all-time low" in Honolulu. That is a matter of congratulation not only to the community for its cooperation, but particularly to the Commanding General of the Army who, when declaring and maintaining martial law in this military outpost of the country, included the complete ban on the sale of all alcoholic liquors.

CIVILIANS LIVING WITHIN A FORTRESS

Every reason seems weighty now for continuing the effective success of this war-time measure. While there seems to be some attempt in Congress to prohibit the sale of liquor near military posts, and while other parts of the world where we and our Allies are fighting or defending, may allow a limited sale of liquor, I can not see that any action or failure to act on their part in regard to even a restricted or modified sale of liquor has very much to do with our own local situation in Hawaii. WE ARE IN ACTUAL FACT A MILITARY FORTRESS, and even the civilian element here, which is essential, is too close to the men who defend us on land, on sea, and in the air to make special concessions to us civilians in regard to the sale of liquor without inevitable effects upon the fighting forces.

The continuance of our high morale in this crisis hangs in no small degree upon the continuance of this ban under martial law.

Respectfully and very sincerely,

S. HARRINGTON LITTELL,
Bishop of Honolulu."

ONE EFFECT OF DECEMBER 7, 1941

This is how December 7th affected our local government. Before that day, we were a civil community, governing ourselves in the normal procedure. Included within the city limits of Honolulu were four army posts, with Pearl Harbor, Schofield Barracks, and a number of other army posts not far away, on Oahu. Immediately after that, the whole island became a military fortress, and we civilians are now living within that fortress, and are under the authority of the Military Governor, Gen. Emmons.

In Honolulu, the civilian and military elements are so inter-related that they cannot be considered as separate elements which require difference in treatment, in so far as common interests and defense are concerned. Nevertheless, a powerful organized campaign on the part of the liquor interests, and of other residents who seek the relaxation of the stringent ban against the sale of alcoholic beverages, has become active, even to carrying full page paid advertisements in half a dozen issues of our local papers. It is the only group of all the business activities which is thus seeking special privileges. Our automotive industry, which is far more essential to the normal life of the community, including the hundreds of service and gasoline stations (practically out of business at the present time), have not protested the government's action in "interfering" with their business. Nor have they organized to apply for "special consideration" of their obvious difficulties.

We stand firmly behind the position stated in an admirable editorial of January 21st in the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, which we quote in full:

"HIS RESPONSIBILITY

"Amid all the arguments pro and con about easing the war-time prohibition ban, facts that must never be lost sight of nor subordinated are these:

1. Under the martial law proclamation and for purposes of meeting a dire emergency, the military governor is in charge of business as well as of more strictly defense matters.

2. On him rests, with stark finality, the ultimate responsibility for the safety and security of Hawaii insofar as that safety and security can be promoted and maintained by internal measures and conduct.

3. This is a responsibility not alone to the people of Hawaii but to the people of the United States. His is the duty of maintaining in Hawaii an order, an atmosphere and a spirit which most effectively conduce to the defense of Hawaii, and, in greater scope, to the defense of the nation's Pacific coast.

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4. The interest of no single group, class or element can be considered paramount to or equal with the interest of the people as a whole and the welfare of the territory as a whole.

5. Carrying such a responsibility, it must be accepted as the province of the military governor to make his decision, in

this as in other questions of public conduct, with regard first to the necessities of territorial and national defense.

6. The military governor is a man who has been designated by the national authority to command this military district; and, as such commanding officer, to assume and discharge the responsibilities of military governor under the terms of the martial law proclamation.

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7. The circumstances of his appointment, and his own personal record are such as to qualify him as a person in whom the people of Hawaii may have confidence. His judgment in this and in other matters will be based on considerations of civilian morale as well as on considerations of military desirability and necessity.

8. His decision as to whether or not the prohibition regulations will be modified will be taken and must be taken primarily from the standpoint of the effect on this imperative matter of defense. He must be satisfied that modification of the present regulations will definitely contribute to defense.

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In these circumstances, it seems to us that the decision can safely be left to the good judgment of the military governor."

IOLANI SCHOOL INCORPORATED

The Bishop, who is Warden of Iolani School, announces the granting of a charter to Iolani by the proper territorial authorities. Under date of January 20th, 1942, Norman D. Godbold, Jr., territorial treasurer, sent the documents to the legal adviser of the school, J. Russell Cades, of the law firm of Smith, Wild, Beebe, and Cades. Before presentation, the proposed charter and by-laws were officially approved by the National Council of the Episcopal Church in New York. The local Board of Governors is composed of the following:

The Bishop, President; The Rev. Kenneth A. Bray, Vice-President; Benjamin F. Dillingham, Secretary; George M. Collins, Treasurer; The Rev. Albert H. Stone, headmaster; George P. Denison, Dr. John K. Kahaleanu, Dr. James A. Morgan, Gregg M. Sinclair, Hugh C. Tennent, Rolla K. Thomas, Dr. Paul Withington, John Mason Young.

PASTOR FIREMEN'S CHAPLAIN

Port Chester, N. Y.—The Rev. Lewis R. Howell, rector of St. Peter's Church, Port Chester, serves as chaplain for all the volunteer fire companies in the community. There are seven companies, and the chaplain turns out for all two-alarm fires in which there may be danger of loss of life or serious injury. In addition he visits the fire houses, takes part in the companies' annual dinners, makes speeches and conducts funeral services for deceased firemen.

WHAT MR. GUY J. SWOPE SAYS

The Director of the Division of Territory and Insular Affairs of the Department of the Interior, Guy J. Swope, has been visiting Hawaii. On January 20th, he spoke at a meeting of the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Honolulu, and stated that an early approach to normal life and conditions in Hawaii is unlikely. In fact, this is what he says: "It is, most emphatically, wishful thinking to expect an approach to normal conditions any time within the near future. This community is now experiencing a change which came literally as a 'bolt from the sky.' Since December 7, 1941, our normal way of life has been changed in practically all of its varied aspects.

"It is then right and proper that we use all our brains, resources and ingenuity to discover how we can best and most quickly adjust ourselves to these new circumstances. And I might add that it is just as right and proper that we should, in the American way, discover what factors in these new circumstances may be adapted and eased so as to interfere least with our normal customs and habits. In the American way, through operation of the law of the land, we have placed ourselves under military law. The reasons for such a course are obvious to everyone."

The Honolulu Star-Bulletin, from which we are quoting, adds the following comment: "He (Mr. Swope) emphasized

that Hawaii is definitely in the war zone, and in such circumstances there can be but one objective, military defense and protection of the area, since with failure there, all personal rights and conveniences would 'go by the board.'"

OUR COVER PICTURE

The world's attention has been focussed on the Island of Oahu. The picture we present on our front page shows clearly where most of the centers of our Church work on the island are located. The picture was made before December 7th, 1941.

On the lower side is seen the Seamen's Church Institute which borders on Honolulu Harbor, just above the sign. Pearl Harbor is at the left, several miles from the city of Honolulu.


If I from my spy-hole, looking with purblind eyes upon a least part of a fraction of the universe, yet perceive in my own destiny some broken evidences of a plan, and some signals of an overruling goodness; shall I then be so mad as to complain that all cannot be deciphered? Shall I not rather wonder, with infinite and grateful surprise, that in so vast a scheme I seem to have been able to read, however little, and that little was encouraging to faith?

—Robert Louis Stevenson.

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Here and There In The Diocese

Convocation

Plans are proceeding for the meeting of the 40th Annual Convocation of this Missionary District. The dates are Saturday, February 7th and Sunday, February 8th. The Woman's Auxiliary meet on Monday, the 9th. Of course all plans for the meetings are being curtailed and simplified so far as possible, and are subject to any changes which the uncertainties of the time may require. A fair proportion of the clergy and delegates from outside Islands is expected. There seems every reason to expect a Convocation which not only will carry on the necessary routine business of the Church in Hawaii, but also will prove of inspiration and mutual fellowship.

Our Missionary Quota Paid in Full

It is a cause for gratification that, in spite of the unavoidable disruptions in the routine life in Hawaii, the treasurer, Mr. T. J. Hollander, reports that the full sum of \$4,000 for the general missionary work of the Church has been paid. This amount is the voluntary contribution made by our Convocation to the National Council of the Church, and is used for missions in the widespread work of the Church both at home and abroad.

A Good Start

This letter to the Bishop was received on January 15th, and is an indication of careful training on the part of a good Christian mother:

"My son,, is 16 years old and has just started working on a defense project. He got paid for two days (which is the first money he has ever earned), so dear Bishop I am enclosing two dollars which he wants me to send in to our Church as a little offering."

In Memory of Bertha Louise Glade

Miss Von Holt reports that in memory of her sister, Mrs. Bertha Louise Glade, a contribution to "The Bishop's Bed Fund" of St. Luke's Hospital, San Francisco, has been made by Rev. A. Ronald Merrix and his daughter Paula. Mr. Merrix is the rector of S. Paul's Church, Oakland, California, of which Mrs. Glade was a devoted member.

Bequests to the Church in Honolulu

By the will of Miss H. Ethelwyn A. Castle, whose death occurred in Honolulu

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on November 2, 1940, three bequests have been given and gratefully received. The first is to St. Andrew's Priory School for Girls, a sum of \$500 for the Mary Tenney Castle Memorial Endowment; the second is to the Board of Directors of the Missionary District for the maintenance and endowment of St. Andrew's Cathedral, \$1,000; and the third is to St. Andrew's Cathedral Parish for the Endowment Fund of the Parish Memorial Sunday School building, \$2,000.

From Banff, Canada

The Rev. H. Tully Montgomery, rector of St. George's, Banff, writes in this pleasing fashion:

"I sincerely appreciate receiving the Hawaiian Church Chronicle every month, and read it with interest. You are generous in the space given to news of our English and Canadian Churches. I recall your cut of our primate, and also the article on Bishop Fleming's work in the Arctic. As chairman of our Diocesan Board of Religious Education, I am on an Inter-church Committee which is endeavoring to get some Religious Education in the day schools of the province of Alberta. We meet in Edmonton on Tuesday, and I am taking along a clipping from your Chronicle (November)—Bishop Gooden on "Religious Teaching in Schools Called Crime Preventive."

Why "Peaceful" in War-Time, This Christmas

Mrs. Gwendoline Shaw, superintendent of the Shingle Memorial Hospital, at Hoolehua, Molokai, writing just after Christmas, says:

"This is the first *peaceful* Christmas I've had here. No untoward accidents or dreadful things, as I have had on every single other Christmas since I have been here. Last year we had that terrible accident, with a number injured, and then at 8 p. m. Mrs. P...s' house almost burned down! The year before an autopsy and so on. This is the *very first*. It

seems odd that when we are at war I should have the most peaceful Christmas in five years. The lack of alcoholic drink accounts for it—as alcohol was at the bottom of every other Christmas tragedy."

News from Our Church Army Captains in England

Capt. Denis Smith, who completed five years of service with Archdeacon Walker at Kohala on Hawaii, writes:

"Hawaii is constantly in my thoughts, especially now. . . . By arrangement with the Rev. Stanley C. Joad, warden of the Brotherhood of St. Paul at Barton, Richmond, Yorkshire, I expect definitely to commence training on February 2nd in order to prepare for the Sacred Ministry, and a return to the Honolulu diocese."

And Capt. Harold Smith, formerly of Eleele, Kauai, writes from the Church Army Headquarters in London:

"For the last month I have been assisting the Senior Chaplain at Colchester Barracks, but soon shall be going into parish work as I feel this to be the greatest need at this time.

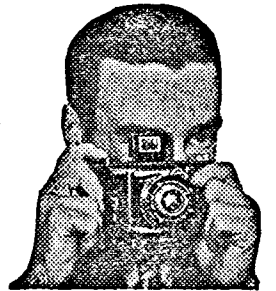
"I want to thank you once again for all your many kindnesses to me during my five-and-a-half years in Hawaii. I shall always be thankful for that valuable experience and opportunity of service with you. I enjoyed every moment of it. I have received several letters from Eleele lately, and I am glad and thankful to find that the Rev. and Mrs. Baker are carrying on so very well, and that people, particularly the young folks, are still continuing to respond under their wise leadership. . . .

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difficulties and dangers of life during this time of total war is amazing."

War-time Activities of Clergy

The Rev. Kenneth O. Miller writes that after standing guard on day and night shifts along the road for the first three days of the war, he was put in charge of "an important armed night guard and had to appear at every change of guard during the night hours as well as stand guard for one shift myself" until December 20th. A week later he was appointed South Kona representative for gasoline administration, and has continued in this position ever since. Archdeacon Willey on Kauai has exacting duties over a large area in East Kauai. The Rev. J. Thurlow Baker is in charge of the Morale Department of McBryde Plantation, and also of the Boy Scout air-raid wardens of Eleele. Many of our other clergy are participating. These are times when the resourcefulness of our clergy and the people generally on all the Islands are needed and cheerfully given.

A Gift of Additional Land for St. John's-by-the-Sea, Kahaluu

Through the generosity of two keen Church women who prefer to remain anonymous, one a former resident of the Islands now living in Canada and the other a local Churchwoman, a lot close by the present property of the Mission has been deeded to the Church, for St. John's-by-the-Sea. The lot is approximately 12,000 square feet in size, and is well suited as the location for a cottage for a missionary worker in the future, and also for other uses for Church extension in that growing neighborhood. Meantime, there is the possibility of using the ground, after it has been properly cleared, for neighborhood gardens to be worked by the people of the Mission. The Church is indeed grateful for this far-sighted action which has secured additional ground in a section where available land has already been almost entirely taken up.

Congratulations to Sea Scout Troop 98 of the Cathedral

Scoutmaster Richard Blomfield's annual report of Scout activities in the Cathedral parish dwells particularly upon the honor bestowed by the highest Scout authorities upon the Sea Scout Ship Iwa,

the flagship of the Honolulu Council. The Iwa has been made a member of the National Flagship Fleet, which is limited to 12 memberships only throughout the country. This reflects great credit on the Ship and its Scoutmaster and on Troop 98.

THE GALLUP POLL ON RELIGION

From "The Witness", Dec. 11th
There is general interest in Church circles in the recent Gallup Poll on religion. In answer to the question, "Have you noticed an increase in interest in your community since the War began?" fifty-seven per cent answered "No"; thirty-one per cent, "Yes"; and twelve per cent were uncertain. We are surprised that the result is as encouraging as it seems to be. Those of us who try to keep our hands upon the pulse of the religious life of our country recognize that there are thousands of people nominally connected with the Christian Church in America who apparently worship no God at all. In the Episcopal Church there are hosts of names on parish registers of individuals whose membership is kept in their parish churches largely for the formality of family baptisms, weddings, and funerals. How many people are there in the average parish who have a real sense of obligation to the Church and that which it represents? Not in many parishes is there an average attendance of fifty per cent of the parish communicant list. And within the Church itself there are a great many thoroughly conservative people who are terribly concerned lest traditionalism be disturbed and the old ways altered. They are the people who have no vision of the responsibility of the whole Church for the need of the whole world. They closed their minds about twenty-five years ago and have only the faintest ideas of the destructive forces outside their pleasant churches. If religion is going to mean anything, it must cease to be a pleasant ritual and become disturbing enough to force decisions for action towards making a decent world in which people can live.

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At the service attended by Governor Nels H. Smith of Wyoming, who rode with Bishop Ziegler in a stagecoach from the Triangle Ranch a mile away, escorted by 75 dude-ranch vacationists, eight children were baptized, one woman confirmed, and a stained glass window was blessed. The offering was received by ranchers wearing six-shooters at their belts, and using ten-gallon hats as alms basins. The celebration closed with the barbecue of a whole steer.

Life has taught me to love her with all the zest of a game in which I am permitted to play. Today, at well over seventy years, I am just as keen for life as ever I was. I have always believed that life is eternal, for my conscious spirit so ardently hoped it, and such a universal, instinctive desire in normal life cannot be doomed to disappointment. When his friends asked Socrates, about to drink the lethal draught, where they should bury him, he replied: "Anywhere you like, if you can catch me." In the words of the late Sir William Osler, "I would rather be wrong with Socrates than right with Plato."—*Sir Winfred T. Grenfell.*

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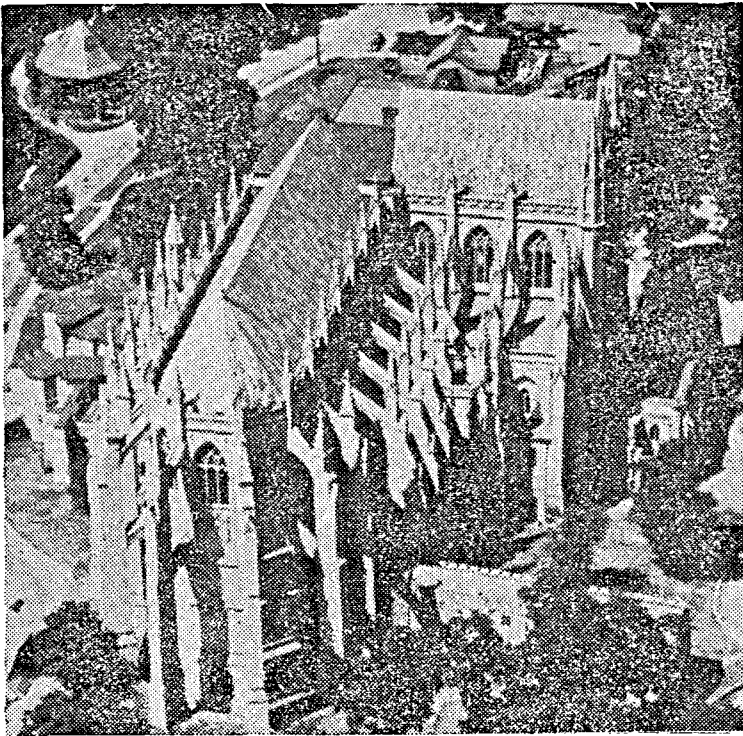
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OFFICIAL SEAT IN WASHINGTON FOR CHURCH HEAD

Episcopal Presiding Bishop Now Has Place in National Cathedral as Center for Official Acts, Pronouncements

Washington, D. C.—The first step toward the setting up of a national spiritual center of the Episcopal Church was taken October 22 when the Presiding Bishop's "Seat" was installed and dedicated in the Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul here.

This action is the result of legislation by the Church's General Convention, which designated the Cathedral at Washington as "the Seat of the Presiding Bishop for his use on occasions incident to the exercise of his office as Presiding Bishop."

Washington, in the opinion of many, should become the "capital" of the Church, as it is the "capital" of the nation.

It is anticipated that the present Presiding Bishop, the Rt. Rev. Henry St. George Tucker, will use the Cathedral for important statements to the whole Church, and for certain special services at which he will officiate.

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"Well, I'll tell you," replied Uncle Joe. "I'se jus' learned to cooperate wid de inevitable."

What does your anxiety do? It does not empty tomorrow of its sorrow; but ah! it empties today of its strength. It does not make you escape the evil; it makes you unfit to cope with it when it comes: It does not bless tomorrow, and it robs today. For every day has its own burden. God gives us power to bear all the sorrow of His making; but He does not give us the power to bear the sorrows of our own making, which the anticipation of sorrow most assuredly is.

—Ian Maclaren.

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have trod
Are sent by the Will of God.

Say we 'Thy Will be done'
As a Psalm of love and praise,
When daily blessings come one by one,
And sunshine crowns our days,
Till we raise our prayer with fervour
strong
To the height of an angel's song.

—A. R. G.

The City Temple, London, England, which has been regarded as the center of English Nonconformity for 300 years, has been burned to the ground, but the congregation, under the leadership of Dr. Leslie Weatherhead, has been offered, and has accepted the use of St. Sepulchre's Church, Holborn. Thus a Free Church Congregation and English Churchmen are worshipping under the same roof.

We hear a good deal about the need for applied Christianity, but it is not always realized that one must have some Christianity before it is possible to apply it. That is why the preaching of the so-called social gospel, by itself, has often proved so disappointing and barren of results.—Rev. W. B. Silbie.

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LOWELL MASON

Famous Hymn Writer's 150th Birthday on January 8

"Singing master to all America," is a title generally given to Lowell Mason, along with such other popular titles as "the first public school teacher in America," and "the father of American Church music."

In the hymnal of the Episcopal Church, music written by him is set to such familiar hymns as "Watchman, tell us of the Night"; "My Faith Looks up to Thee"; "Nearer, my God to Thee"; "O could I speak the matchless worth"; "Father, whate'er of earthly bliss"; "Jesus, where'er Thy people meet"; "From Greenland's Icy Mountains"; and "Blest be the tie that binds."

January 8, 1942, marked the 150th anniversary of Lowell Mason's birth in Medford, Mass. Various organizations throughout the United States observed the occasion.

Lowell Mason's music has found its way into the hymn collection of most Christian churches. His tunes were first sung in the public schools across the nation, and the children carried them into the churches. Church and school were joint instruments in giving America a singing soul.

Taught Methods

For many years, Mason and his asso-

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ciates, notably, Bradbury, Webb, and Root, traveled across eastern and central United States holding "conventions" and "institutes", where they taught teaching methods to thousands of public school instructors in music. Some of these conventions gathered together as many as 500 teachers, some of whom had come hundreds of miles. They were taught en masse in great choruses and choirs. Meanwhile, Mason was composing, adapting, writing books on music and music teaching. These books were sold at the conventions and teachers took them back to their schools to pass on tunes and words to their pupils. Thus, through two generations, Mason taught America to sing.

During these years he edited and compiled more than thirty volumes of song, hymns, school songs, anthems and glees.

In *The Rise of American Civilization*, Charles and Mary Beard say of Mason's work: "As a compiler of church music, a partner in an organ factory, an originator of conventions for the training of music instructors in the public schools, Mason impressed himself indelibly on the democracy of his time."

Early Musical Talent

As a youth in Medford, Lowell Mason showed musical talent. He led the village band, playing clarinet; he taught singing classes; he led the church choir at the age of sixteen. His days were devoted, however, not to school but to helping his father in the manufacture of straw hats. Tiring of this occupation, at the age of twenty he migrated to Savannah, Georgia, and until he was 34, worked there as a bank clerk. In Savannah, he was leader of another choir, played the organ, taught music, taught and served as superintendent of a Sunday school. During those years he studied music and did some composing. Then in 1822, his first compilation of psalm tunes appeared, many of them extracts from compositions of Beethoven, Haydn, and Mozart, with a few of his own. This work brought him to the attention of the musical world then

centering in Boston. In 1826 he moved to that city to take charge of three choirs, one being that of Lyman Beecher's church.

Later he is seen as president and conductor of the famous Boston Handel and Haydn Society. He helped found the Boston-Academy of Music to teach music to young and old, and 1,500 students enrolled in the first year.


In 1851, Mason moved to New York City and in 1854 to Orange, N. J., where he lived until his death at the age of eighty on August 11, 1872.—*The Churchman*.

Work, Worship, Give

"The surest way to keep your faith is through active participation in the Church. Work for your Church in some capacity, however small. Worship regularly wherever you may be, and give proportionately to your ability.—*Bishop Tucker*.

The Cash Book and the Canon: It may be news to many lay people that the Canons of the Church prescribe a definite method for keeping Church accounts. A cash book (large, \$3.00 for parishes, small, \$1.50, for missions), revised to date by the National Council's Finance Department, is sold through the Bookstore, 281 Fourth Ave., N. Y. City.

"Three orders of the ministry are pugh, chancel and sanctuary", said a diocesan "quizz kid" in a church school examination; another replied that "the rude screen separates the knave from the chancel." This happened in a parish not more than three miles south of Boston.




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